



## 2018 EOA National Men of Excellence Conference Institutional Host Application

### Purpose/Commitment

For years the Educational Opportunity Association (EOA) - formally called Mid-American Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (MAEOPP) has provided a variety of student leadership conferences and opportunities. In 2014-2015, EOA focused on meeting the specific challenges and opportunities for our high school and college men. This conference, inspired by President Obama's My Brother's Keeper Initiative, is targeted to young men from pre-college and collegiate programs. It is critically valuable to be on a college campus as attendees will work with TRIO/Higher Education professionals on personal, college planning and college success with life skill development. The purpose of the Educational Opportunity Program National Men of Excellence Conference is to **foster male's desire to BE R.E.A.L (Responsible Educated Authentic Leaders).**

Visit [www.eoa.org](http://www.eoa.org).

**Target Audience:** 150 selected high schools and college males in the Midwest encompassing ten states.

### Highlights:

- Access to a college environment which values diversity and inclusion
- Interactive activities in small and large group
- Discussion on leadership and responsibility
- Concurrent sessions which allow students to be exposed their sense of identity
- Motivational speakers
- Networking and mentoring opportunities with peers, college students, and professionals

### History/Numbers

2017 June 1-3 total 206 participants/staff/chaperones  
Kent State University, Kent, Ohio  
2016 June 2-4 total 217 participants/staff/chaperones  
Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois  
2015 July 24-25, 2015 total 80 participants/chaperones  
Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio



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A Midwest Association of TRIO and College Access  
and Success Professionals

## Institutional Host Requirements

- Location within Educational Opportunity Association (EOA) region
- Commitment to diversity and inclusion
- Residence Halls and Lodging (for up to 225-250 people)
- On-campus dining
- Community and Campus Sponsorships (financial support or cost savings)
- Overall institutional support
- Connection to a diverse faculty (potential speakers/presenters)
- Connection to local community leaders (potential speakers/presenters)
- Proximity to an airport
- Volunteers to assist with the planning committee

## Institutional Host Application Process

- Send Application to Host the 2018 EOA Men of Excellence Conference (pdf format) to [men-of-excellence@eo.org](mailto:men-of-excellence@eo.org) – with the following information:
  - Institution's name
  - Institution's central full address
  - Institution's residential full address
  - Proposed available date options to be able to fully execute the logistics (a two night/three day event)
  - Person providing authority to host: name, title and full contact information
  - Person for follow-up questions regarding this application: name, title and full contact information
  - Person likely to serve as key liaison, if selected: name, title and full contact information
  - Describe your over-all campus climate for attendees
  - Describe large areas for general sessions (auditoriums, great rooms)
  - Describe residence halls and lodging availability and room set-up (for up to 225-250 people)
  - Describe the on-campus dining
  - Indicate confirmed and potential community and/or campus sponsorships
  - Indicate overall institutional support (discounted/free logistics)
  - Indicate confirmed and potential connection to faculty (potential pool of speakers/presenters)
  - Indicate confirmed and potential connection to local leaders (potential pool of speakers/presenters)
  - Proximity to an airport and ground transportation logistics

Send “Application to Host the 2018 EOA Men of Excellence Conference” (pdf format) to [men-of-excellence@eo.org](mailto:men-of-excellence@eo.org). Deadline is October 20, 2017 or until a suitable institution can be found. Questions about the process can be addressed to [president-elect@eo.org](mailto:president-elect@eo.org)