



Conversation with Colleagues

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Our Vision

The vision of A²MEND is to become the nation's leading organization that fosters African American male success in community colleges. To achieve our vision, we strive to:

- Hold California's community college system accountable for the success of African American males.
- Provide our expertise to community colleges in an effort to build, support and sustain institutional capacity that effectively addresses the needs of African American males.
- Support African American men in their career development, advancement and achievement in community colleges.
- Serve as a network for African American educators.



What we learned

1. Mentorship
 - a. Role Models
 - b. Powerful men
 - c. Confidence
2. Community
 - a. Safe space
 - b. Celebration of culture
3. Inspiration
 - a. Experiences - Trip to Ghana
 - b. Connection to ancestry
 - c. Positive attributes of African and Black people, not just the struggle

How do we apply this at Cañada

- Combating anti-blackness inside the classroom