

# 2023 FUTURE RURAL TEACHERS SUMMIT

February 2, 2023, 5:30 PM–9:00 PM



Autumn Rivera, 2022 Colorado Teacher of the Year



Join **University of Northern Colorado** for an informative (and fun!) **Future Rural Teachers Summit** and discover what it's like to teach in Colorado's rural schools. During the free summit, participants will connect with Colorado Center for Rural Education staff members, UNC students and faculty, rural educators and administrators, and peers.

This year's keynote speaker is 2022 **Colorado Teacher of the Year Autumn Rivera**, who has a great breadth of education experience to share. Rivera's current roles include 6th grade science teacher, adjunct professor and President Elect of the Colorado Association of Science Teachers. One of just four finalists for the **national teacher of the year** competition in 2022, Rivera's work inside and outside the classroom has been recognized as some of the best in the country.

We encourage you to stay after the Future Rural Teachers Summit on Feb. 2 and attend the annual Future Teacher Conference on Feb. 3 to gather broader insights about the field of education.

## What's on the Agenda?

- Keynote address by Autumn Rivera, 2022 Colorado Teacher of the Year
- Small and large group discussions on rural education experiences
- Student-led panel exploring UNC enrollment and the teaching profession
- Games, giveaways and door prizes
- Campus tour
- Information Fair with UNC faculty
- Klawz and photo booths
- Q&A session detailing UNC's application process, programs, and financial aid opportunities
- Information about TEACH Colorado

For more info, visit: [Future Rural Teachers Summit](#).  
Learn more about the [Colorado Center for Rural Education](#).

## The Rewards of Teaching in a Rural Colorado Community

Students find so many reasons to pursue a career as an educator in a rural area:

- Rural schools tend to be small and usually serve as the center of a community.
- Rural parents are often active participants in their children's schooling.
- Rural teachers frequently develop close relationships with fellow teachers.
- Rural teachers are often held in high esteem, with their commitment noticed and appreciated.
- Rural teachers often take on roles as school and community leaders.
- Rural students are generally open to encouragement to succeed in school and life.
- As a bonus ... rural Colorado is typically situated within, or close to, stunning natural beauty!

## LODGING AND BOARD

Lodging will be provided free of charge to students and designated chaperones who attend the Future Rural Teachers Summit. UNC's Residence Life Catering will provide a fabulous banquet dinner along with breakfast the next morning.



**REGISTER NOW!**

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