



Creating a world
where all youth are
socially engaged,
globally aware,
and economically
free.



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I Am, We Are (IAWA) strives to empower youth with the tools they need to confidently own their futures.

Our Bokgoni Empowerment Programme seeks to prepare youth to be self-sufficient adults.

Ambassadors, begin as a cohort, in 8th grade and stay together until the culmination of the programme in their 11th grade year. Through an interactive curriculum, the Bokgoni camps:

- **GO BEYOND JUST ACADEMIC LEARNING** and encourage the development of the whole child—one who is knowledgeable, healthy, motivated, and engaged
- Create a **SUPPORT NETWORK FOR YOUTH** that includes caring, nurturing adults, peer mentors, advocates, role models, and a cohort of positive peers
- Enable youth to have a voice and **CREATE A LEARNING CULTURE** that is uniquely relevant to them
- **TEACH LIFE SKILLS** and work related values
- **EXPOSE YOUTH TO DIVERSE LIFE OPTIONS**, career paths, and postsecondary educational and training opportunities
- **CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH** to assume leadership roles, develop responsibility, self-reliance, and initiative, and acquire marketable skills

IAWA built the Bokgoni Empowerment Programme based on input collected during a three-year pilot conducted in South Africa's Royal Bafokeng Nation.

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