## 12th ANNUAL DIVERSITY CONFERENCE

"Many Faces: One Vision"



Friday, March 18, 2016 8:45 AM to 4:00 PM

Preregistration Check-in & Walk-in Registration opens at 8 AM

## Julissa Arce - My (Underground) American Dream

Julissa Arce is a writer, immigrant rights advocate, and author. At the age of 11, Julissa immigrated to America from Mexico and was undocumented for almost 15 years. Prior to becoming an advocate, she built a successful career on Wall Street, and made national and international headlines when she revealed that she had achieved the American Dream of wealth and status while undocumented. Having seemingly achieved the American Dream at that time, yet was not legally defined as an American, Julissa now shares her story about what it was like climbing the corporate ladder as both a Hispanic woman and an undocumented American. Through Julissa's personal stories, the audience will gain a new perspective on what it means to achieve the "American dream."



## Clemencia Spizzirri - Creating a Culture of Achievement for All

A native of Quito, the capital city of Ecuador, Clemencia Spizzirri began her teaching career in her home country before moving to the United States in 2003. As the 2015 lowa Teacher of the Year, Clemencia was the first Latina to receive the Teacher of the Year honor in all of the United States. She now serves as an Ambassador of Education for the State of Iowa, and works on many educational initiatives across the state and the country. During Clemencia's keynote, she will address the importance of creating a sustainable culture of achievement and understanding for all, inside and outside of the classroom.

Various breakout sessions will be offered, including: Prevalence of Mental Health Disorders; Refugees & Immigrants Panel; My Journey Through Domestic Violence; The Teacher of the Future; Native American Traditional Lifeways; LGBTQ; and many more!

## **Conference Fee:**

Online registration through 3/15/16: \$35 Registrations after 3/15/16: \$40

**Student registration: \$10** 

Lunch is included with all registrations.

Preregistration is highly encouraged, as seating is limited in the auditorium.

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