

## CRSS PRE-CONFERENCE SYMPOSIUM

The Center for Reform of School Systems (CRSS) will offer a half-day symposium, *Dealing with Difficult People, Dealing with Difficult Decisions* on Wednesday, October 19.

Governance team members (board members, superintendents, and executive-level administrators) are often faced with difficult people, situations, and decisions. It just comes with the job! The interactive symposium will include training and discussions about how to maintain consistency and productivity before, during, and after difficult experiences. With all new curriculum and activities, the symposium, led by CRSS President and CEO Cathy Minberg, will delve deeply into this topic and more.



Individual board members, district administrators, and district teams are encouraged to participate.

**Registration is \$95.** Visit [www.crss.org](http://www.crss.org) or call Faith Edwards at 713-682-9888 for more information.

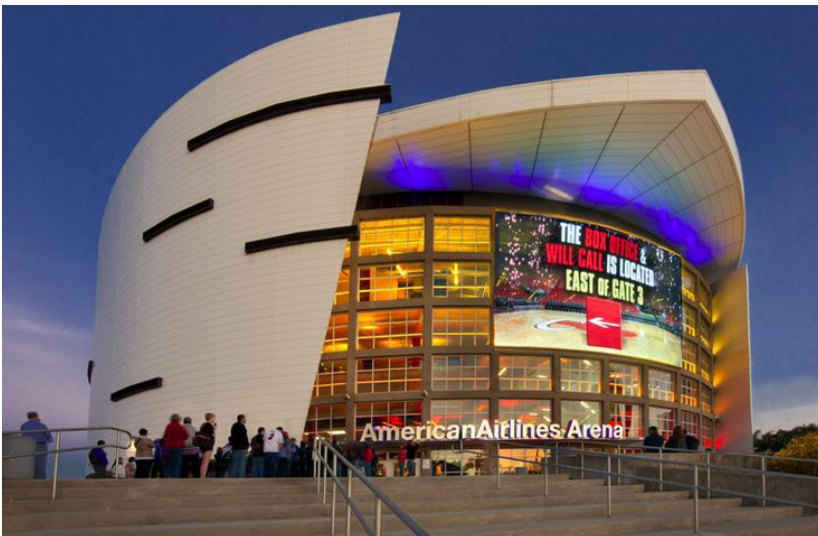
**Wednesday, October 19, 2016**

8:30 am General Session

12:30 pm Adjourn

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## Miami Sights



American Airlines Arena

Biscayne Lady Yacht



# 60th Annual Fall Conference

October 19 - October 23, 2016 • Miami, FL



## WEDNESDAY, October 19, 2016

7:00 am - 5:00 pm  
8:00 am - 9:00 am  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
  
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm  
  
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
9:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Fall Conference Registration  
Continental Breakfast  
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe  
New Member & Newcomer's Orientation  
Buffet Lunch  
Task Force Meetings (**All Conferees are welcome to attend**)

- ❖ Achievement/Professional Development Task Force Meetings
- ❖ School Finance/Leadership, Governance and Management Task Force Meetings
- ❖ English Language Learners and Bilingual Education Task Force Meeting

Blue Ribbon Corporate Group Meeting (Members only)  
Welcome Reception at American Airlines Arena  
Hospitality Suite

## THURSDAY, October 20, 2016

7:00 am - 5:00 pm  
7:30 am - 4:00 pm  
7:30 am - 9:00 am  
9:00 am - 12:15 pm  
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm  
2:15 pm - 5:30 pm  
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
10:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Conference Registration  
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe  
General Session A: Breakfast and Address from Chair of the Board  
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES  
General Session B: Lunch and Speaker: **JOSÉ DÍAZ -BALART**  
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Cocktail Reception  
27th Annual Green-Garner Banquet (*Semi Formal Evening Attire*)  
Hospitality Suite- Karaoke Night



**JOSÉ DÍAZ -BALART**  
Television News Anchor

## FRIDAY, October 21, 2016

7:00 am - 5:00 pm  
7:30 am - 4:00 pm  
7:30 am - 9:00 am  
9:00 am - 12:30 pm  
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm  
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm  
  
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm  
6:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Conference Registration  
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe  
General Session C: Breakfast and Speaker: **DONNA BRAZILE**  
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES  
General Session D: Lunch and Speaker:  
General Session E: Town Hall Meeting  
*Urban Education and the Presidential Campaign*  
Great City Colleges of Education General Meeting  
Reception at the Biscayne Lady Yacht



**DONNA BRAZILE**  
Political Commentator

## **SATURDAY, October 22, 2016**

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| 8:00 am - 9:00 am  | Buffet Breakfast  |
| 8:30 am - 12:00 pm | Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe   |
| 8:30 am - 12:00 pm | Board of Directors Meeting  |
| 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm | Legislative Directors Lunch and Meeting<br>(Council Members Only)   |
| 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm | Fall Conference Debriefing and Planning Lunch Meeting<br>with Miami-Dade Schools and Cleveland Public Schools |
| 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm | Farewell Party at the InterContinental Miami<br>Prince "Purple Rain" Tribute Party (wear your purple)         |

## **SUNDAY, October 23, 2016**

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| 8:30 am - 11:30 am | General Session F: Breakfast and Closing Session |
| 11:30 am           | ADJOURN  |

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## **Who Should Attend?**

- **Urban School Superintendents**
- **School Board Members**
- **Deans of Colleges of Education**
- **Senior School District Administrators**

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