



COUNCIL of the GREAT CITY SCHOOLS
59th Annual Fall Conference

SAILING to SUCCESS

in *Urban Education*



**REGISTRATION
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OCTOBER 7-11, 2015



LONG BEACH
California



HOSTED BY LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

CRSS PRE-CONFERENCE SYMPOSIUM

Know What is Happening on Your Watch: Using Data to Increase Student Achievement and Operational Efficiency

The Center for Reform of School Systems (CRSS) will offer a ½-day symposium, **Raising Student Achievement: What Works for Schools and What Works for School Boards?** on Wednesday, October 7. As education leaders, you are faced with important decisions that may -- **or may not** -- make a difference in the academic performance of your schools. So what does make a difference? What does the research say about what works for schools and for school boards when it comes to raising student achievement? With all new curriculum and activities, the symposium, led by CRSS President and CEO Cathy Minberg, will delve deeply into these things and more.



Individual board members, district administrators, and district teams are encouraged to participate. **Registration is \$85.** Visit www.crss.org or call Faith Edwards at 713-682-9888 for more information.

Wednesday, October 7, 2015

8:30 am General Session

12:30 pm Adjourn

Long Beach Sights



Aquarium of the Pacific



Queen Mary



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WEDNESDAY, October 7, 2015

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 Aquarium of the Pacific
Hospitality Suite

THURSDAY, October 8, 2015

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: **LEVAR BURTON**
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES
Executive Committee Meeting
Cocktail Reception
26th Annual Green-Garner Banquet (*Semi Formal Evening Attire*)
Hospitality Suite



LEVAR BURTON
Actor/Director



JOSÉ HERNANDEZ
NASA Astronaut

FRIDAY, October 9, 2015

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 - 8:30 pm
9:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Conference Registration
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe
General Session C: Breakfast and Speaker: **JOSÉ HERNANDEZ**
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES
General Session D: Lunch and Speaker: **FAREED ZAKARIA**
General Session E: Town Hall Meeting
"Urban Students Speak Out on Education, Race and Their Futures"
Moderated by: **MARIA HINOJOSA**
Great City Colleges of Education General Meeting
Reception at the Queen Mary
Hospitality Suite



MARIA HINOJOSA
News Correspondent/
Journalist

SATURDAY, October 10, 2015

8:00 am - 9:00 am
8:30 am - 12:00 pm
8:30 am - 12:00 pm
12:00 pm - 2:30 pm

12:30 pm - 2:30 pm
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Buffet Breakfast
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe
Board of Directors Meeting
Legislative Directors Lunch and Meeting
(Council Members Only)
Fall Conference Planning Lunch and Meeting
Farewell Party at the Cafe Sevilla



Fareed Zakaria
CNN Host

SUNDAY, October 11, 2015

8:30 am - 11:30 am
11:30 am

General Session F: Breakfast and Closing Session
ADJOURN

Name Badges Should Be Worn At All Events And Are Not Transferable.

Who Should Attend?

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

The Council of the Great City Schools brings together the nation's largest urban public school systems in a coalition dedicated to the improvement of education for children in the inner cities. The Council and its 67 member school districts work to help our schoolchildren meet the highest standards and become successful and productive members of society.

What's Included in Your Registration ?

- **Participation in the nation's premier conference on model programs and reforms that work in urban schools**
- **Keynote speakers**
- **Breakout sessions on urban school achievement, professional development, leadership and governance, finance, bilingual, immigrant & refugee issues, and others**
- **All scheduled meals**
- **Resource area with member-district, non profit organizations and educational companion materials on what works in urban education**
- **Newly published Council reports**
- **Networking with the nation's leading urban school superintendents, school board members, college of education deans, research directors, legislative directors and others**
- **Awards banquet**
- **Transportation to and from off-site evening events**



Council of the Great City School Member Districts

Albuquerque, Anchorage, Atlanta, Austin, Baltimore, Birmingham, Boston, Bridgeport, Broward County (Ft. Lauderdale), Buffalo, Charleston, Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Chicago, Cincinnati, Clark County (Las Vegas), Cleveland, Columbus, Dallas, Dayton, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, Duval County (Jacksonville), East Baton Rouge, El Paso, Fort Worth, Fresno, Guilford County (Greensboro, N.C.), Hillsborough County (Tampa), Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Jackson, Jefferson County (Louisville), Kansas City, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Miami-Dade County, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Nashville, Newark, New Orleans, New York City, Norfolk, Oakland, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Orange County (Orlando), Palm Beach County, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Portland, Providence, Richmond, Rochester, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, Santa Ana, Seattle, Shelby County (Memphis) St. Louis, St. Paul, Toledo, Washington, D.C., and Wichita

We are only accepting registrations online.
To register for the Fall Conference go to:

<http://www.cvent.com>

Fee is waived for Superintendents and official Council School Board Representatives only. (No Proxies)

MEMBERS

WAIVED Superintendent/Board Representative (no proxies)
\$175 for Council School District member (see list of members)
\$175 for Council College of Education member
\$75 to attend Council Pre-conference Symposium only
\$85 to attend CRSS Pre-conference Symposium only
\$260 to attend CRSS Pre-conference Symposium and Fall Conference (\$175 plus \$85)
\$150 additional late fee (registering after September 21, 2015)

COMPANIES

WAIVED Pre-designated Sponsor(s) (See sponsor's form)
\$775 for Additional Attendee from Sponsor
\$1,500 if company not sponsoring
\$150 additional late fee (registering after September 21, 2015)

OTHERS

\$375 for Non-member school districts/colleges of education or nonprofit associations
\$150 for Evening Events Spouse
\$150 additional late fee (registering after September 21, 2015)

METHOD OF PAYMENT

You may pay using a purchase order #, check or American Express, Discover, Mastercard or Visa.

REGISTRATION FEES

Full registration payment is due by **September 25, 2015**. A late registration fee of \$150.00 will be charged for registrations received after September 25, 2015. **Pre-registration Refund and Cancellation Policy:** Refund requests, cancellations or substitutions must be made in writing. Send an email to Johanna Lim at: jlim@cgcs.org or Terry Tabor at: ttabor@cgcs.org. A full refund will be given for cancellations received on or before September 12th, and a 50% refund if received from September 13th - September 25th, 2015. **No refund given after September 25th**. Cancellations or no-shows before or after October 7th will not receive a refund and will be billed the full amount. Purchase orders will not be accepted for those registering on-site. **Additional \$250 fee for on-site registration will be charged.**

Hotel Information

The headquarters hotel for the conference is the:

Hyatt Regency Long Beach Hotel

200 South Pine Avenue
Long Beach, CA 90802
(562) 491-1234

All attendees must make their own hotel reservations!!!



*****Hyatt Regency Long Beach Hotel is not accepting reservations via telephone.**

Reservations can only be made using this link below:

<https://resweb.passkey.com/go/CGCSfallconference>

Room rates are **\$215 per night for single and double occupancy, plus 15.1% tax.** Space is limited so please make hotel reservations as soon as possible. Up to 2 nights + tax deposit is required at the time of reservation. The deadline for the group rate is September 4, 2015.

Cancellation Policy: The advanced deposit of two nights & tax is fully refundable only until **August 21, 2015.** After August 21, 2015 **NO REFUNDS** will be given.