



68th Annual Fall Conference

Dallas, Texas

October 16 -20, 2024



HOSTED BY DALLAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The 68th Annual CGCS
Fall Conference logo
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Senior Class of 2025
Skyline High School
Dallas ISD



REGISTRATION BROCHURE

Featured Reception Venues



Perot Museum of Nature and Science
Wednesday's Welcome Reception



Dallas Museum of Art
Friday Night's Reception



Gilley's Dallas
Saturday Night's Reception



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WEDNESDAY, October 16, 2024

8:00 am - 5:00 pm
8:00 am - 9:00 am
8:00 am - 4:00 pm
9:00 am - 10:00 am

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

10:00 am - 11:00 am
11:00 am - 12:00 pm
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
1:00 pm - 2:55 pm
3:05 pm - 5:00 pm

❖ Task Force on Black and Latina Young Women and Girls
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Buffet Lunch
❖ Achievement/Professional Development Task Force Meeting
❖ School Finance/Leadership, Governance and Management Task Force Meeting
❖ English Language Learners and Bilingual Education Task Force Meeting

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Blue Ribbon Corporate Advisory Group Meeting (Members only)
Welcome Reception at Perot Museum of Nature and Science

THURSDAY, October 17, 2024

7:00 am - 5:00 pm
7:30 am - 4:00 pm
7:30 am - 9:00 am

Conference Registration
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe
General Session A: Breakfast and Address from **MARCIA ANDREWS, CHAIR OF BOARD**

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
9:30 pm - 11:00 pm

CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES
General Session B: Lunch and Speaker: **ISABEL WILKERSON**
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES
Executive Committee Meeting
Cocktail Reception
35th Annual Green-Garner Banquet *(Semi Formal Evening Attire)*
Karaoke Night



Marcia Andrews
CGCS Chair of the Board



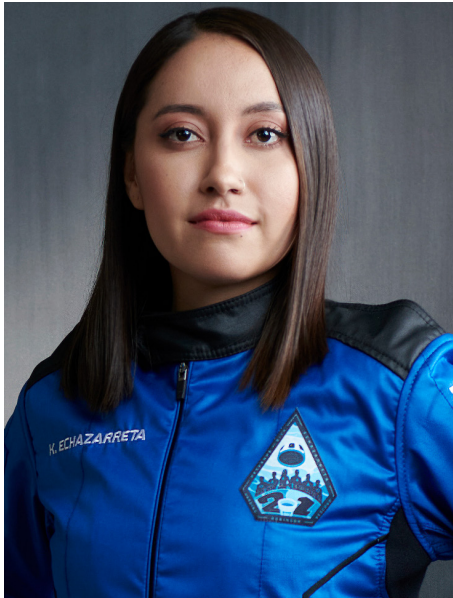
Isabel Wilkerson
New York Times Best Selling Author
and Pulitzer Prize Winner

FRIDAY, October 18, 2024

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

Conference Registration
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe
General Session C: Breakfast and Speaker: **KATYA ECHAZARRETA**
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES
General Session D: Lunch and Speaker: **CHUCK TODD**
General Session E: Town Hall Meeting featuring all-student panel
& moderated by Chuck Todd
Great City Colleges of Education General Meeting
Reception at Dallas Museum of Art



Katya Echazarreta
Electrical Engineer & Science
Communicator; Citizen Astronaut



Chuck Todd
Chief Political Analyst at NBC,
Moderator of *Meet the Press*

SATURDAY, October 19, 2024

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

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

General Session F: Breakfast
Board of Directors Meeting
Fall Conference Debriefing and Planning Lunch Meeting
with The School District of Philadelphia
Farewell Party at Gilley's Dallas

SUNDAY, October 20, 2024

8:00 am - 9:30 am
9:30 am

General Session G: Breakfast and Closing Session
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Who Should Attend?

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

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 78 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, young women and young men of color, bilingual, immigrant & refugee issues, and others**
 - **All scheduled meals (breakfast, lunch, coffee service, reception/dinner)**
 - **Resource area with member-district, non profit organizations and educational companies' material on what works in urban education**
 - **Newly published Council reports**
 - **Networking with the nation's leading urban school superintendents, school board members, cabinet level staff, research directors, legislative directors and others**
 - **Awards banquet**
 - **Transportation to and from off-site evening events**
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Council of the Great City School Member Districts

Albuquerque, Anchorage, Arlington (Texas), Atlanta, Aurora (Colorado), 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, Fayette County (Lexington), Fort Worth, Fresno, Guilford County (Greensboro, N.C.), Hawaii, Hillsborough County (Tampa), Houston, Indianapolis, Jackson, Jefferson County (Louisville), Kansas City, Little Rock, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Miami-Dade County, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Nashville, New Orleans, New York City, Newark, Norfolk, Oakland, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Orange County (Orlando), Palm Beach County, Philadelphia, Phoenix Union High School District, Pinellas County, Pittsburgh, Portland, Providence, Puerto Rico, Richmond, Rochester, Sacramento, San Antonio, San Diego, San Francisco, Santa Ana, Seattle, Shelby County (Memphis), St. Louis, St. Paul, Toledo, Tulsa, Washington, D.C., Washoe County (Reno), Wichita, and Winston Salem/Forsyth County.

[CLICK HERE](#) to register online

MEMBERS

WAIVED Superintendent/Board Representative (no proxies)
\$425 for Council School District member (see list of members)
\$425 for Council College of Education member
\$150 additional late fee (registering after October 4, 2024)

COMPANIES

WAIVED Pre-designated Sponsor(s) (See sponsorship form)
\$1,000 for Additional Attendee from Sponsor
\$2,500 for company not sponsoring
\$150 additional late fee (for registrations received after October 4, 2024)

OTHERS

\$525 for Non-member school districts/colleges of education or nonprofit associations
\$525 for Non-member Superintendents
\$200 for Spouse to attend Evening Events only
\$150 additional late fee (registering after October 4, 2024)

PAYMENT METHOD

You may pay using a purchase order #, check or American Express, Discover, Mastercard or Visa.
Make check payable to:
Council of the Great City Schools
1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1100N
Washington, DC 20004

REGISTRATION FEES

Pre-registration Refund and Cancellation Policy: Refund requests, cancellations or substitutions must be made in writing. Submit request via email to Gregory Bacon at: gbacon@cgcs.org or Alexis Vann at: avann@cgcs.org. A full refund will be given for cancellations received on or before October 4, 2024, and a 50% refund if requested between October 4 - October 11, 2024. **No refunds will be processed if requested after October 11th.** Purchase orders will not be accepted for on-site registrations. **An additional \$250 fee will be assessed for registrations processed on-site.**

Register before October 4th to ensure conference materials are prepared for you. This will also guarantee your name is included in the conference participant's list.

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

Hotel Information

The headquarters hotel for the conference is the:

Sheraton Dallas Hotel

400 North Olive Street

Dallas, TX 75201

1-888-627-8191

All attendees must make their own hotel reservations!!!



To make reservations via telephone call 1-888-627-8191. Be sure to mention that you are attending CGCS' Fall Conference, to get our special conference rate.

Reservations can also be made using this link: <https://book.passkey.com/go/CGC-S2024AnnualFallConference>

Room rates are \$234 per night for single and double occupancy, plus 15.26% tax.

Cancellation Policy: The advanced deposit of two nights & tax is fully refundable only until **Friday, August 30, 2024**. Beginning on **Saturday, August 31, 2024**, **NO REFUNDS** will be given. Check-in time is 4:00 p.m. and Check-out time is 11:00 a.m.