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OBJECTIVE: To be in a collaboration focused on quality k12 education services.

**DEGREES
AND
EDUC.** ITHACA COLLEGE-B.F.A (THEATRE ARTS)
LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY
*M.A., EDUCATIONAL COUNSELING
*PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES CREDENTIAL
*(CSU DOMINGUEZ HILLS) EDUC. ADMINISTRATION

**RELATED
EXPERIENCE** LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
INGLEWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Professional Experience

- *Child Advocate in the facilitation of a streamlined IEP process
- *Vigorous advocate for the design and implementation of school-wide discipline programs that are measureable
- *Public speaker/advocate on educational issues
- *Trained teachers in the application of updated materials and methodologies in order to improve education services
- *Taught/counseled in bilingual setting using both Eng and Span
- *Designer and Editor of web page focused on education
- *Community organizer of intercultural dialogue since 1988
- *Initiated movement to inculcate k-12 students with ideas about College and career (January 2006-present-see web page)
- *Designed & Facilitated public forums since 1988
- *Designed and Implemented tutoring and after school programs

**EXTRA
CURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES** *Helped to form SOAR, a family empowerment & anti-violence counseling approach with Dr. Jessie Barbour in L.A
*Facilitator of forums on k-12 education, College/Career Orientation, Workplace Ethics, and Nature Art Collage

**SPECIAL
INTERESTS** * video, sports, creative writing, nature art collage, MLK, Jr.

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

A creative, energetic, motivated, and thoughtful educational leader with 17 years experience in public education. Linguistically proficient, having over 25 years of experience bridging communication lines within multicultural communities and organizations. Adept leadership, interpersonal and motivational skills consistent with Total Quality Management philosophy. Ability to bring parents, students, staff and community members from diverse backgrounds and disparate abilities to work together as a unified team. Effective oral and writing skills. At ease handling multiple projects at the same time with equal competency. Viewed as a knowledgeable, reliable, and resourceful person with a positive attitude. Computer literate. *My most significant achievement has been the creation of a purposeful approach to education that inculcates a college vision in k-12 students from underrepresented populations.*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Education Counselor having served at all levels in schools k-12 since 1987

Presentations:

- 2009** Western Association of College Admissions Counselors- Annual Conference
Title: **College and Beyond: Counteracting Cultural Isolation in Public School**
Focus: Defining why college admissions counselors need to support elementary schools' efforts to inculcate a college and career vision via students attending an extended day program.
- 2006** College and Beyond Secondary Youth Forum- Loyola Marymount University
Title: **College Admissions and You**- sponsored by Dr. John Reilly
Focus: Presentation and open dialogue between secondary students from Spanish speaking and African American backgrounds designed to strengthen college focus.
- 2006** Jefferson Park Education Collaborative- Celerity Nascent Charter School
Title: **Education: The Most Powerful Tool for Gang Intervention**
Focus: The active formation of a community-wide process to consciously involve parents and other stakeholders to begin developing the most viable education process by taking into consideration the prevailing root causes of failure among youth.
- 2006** California School Counselors Association- CSU Long Beach Conference
Title: **A School Counselor's Focus on Leadership**
Focus: within a multicultural setting, the particular emphasis being on forming a community-wide education program between a traditional elementary school and a new charter school.
- 2004** Western Association of College Admissions Counselors- Annual Conference
Title: **The Miner's Canary: Enlisting Race, Resisting Power, Transforming Democracy**
Focus: A three-dimensional critical analysis of a book concerning race relations & power. Collaborating authors Dr. Lani Guinier and Gerald Torres.
- 2000** CEPA Conference Organized by Dr. Fred Rodriguez (CSU Dominguez Hills)
Title: **...and What About the C Student?**
Focus: A view delineating the need for a collaboration of international educators centered in the Americas. A proactive approach to addressing life issues of the "average" student.