



Newsletter

Winter 2018

In his wonderfully crafted TED Talk, Clint Smith implores us to "Speak your truth." As I have had the opportunity to mentor other educational leaders over the years I have added to the "speak your truth" with "but do it strategically" because we need for you to sustain your position in order to continue to be the voice for students and communities. Our roles as educational leaders not only place us in a position to effect change but to effect change for the good of others.



A very important part of the CLEAR experience is leadership development through mentoring. Leadership responsibility can be a demanding and often isolated experience (thus, the need for mentoring guidance and support) but it also provides a powerful opportunity for transformation with action. As such, I am energized by the work that our members continue to perform on behalf of all children but especially on behalf of underrepresented communities of color.

As such, I proudly represent the Center for Leadership, Equity, and Research as its Executive Director and hope you will join us in the effort to effect positive change...and to "Speak our truth."

Sincerely,
Ken Magdaleno, Ed.D.

New Face to CLEAR!



Liz Molina is CLEAR's new Program Manager and Community Liaison. She is an alumna of Fresno State where she received her B.S. degree in Health Science with a focus on Community Health. Liz brings with her more than 15 years of working in the corporate environment and non-profit world. Her experiences range from: grass roots and government funded community outreach; to working on finance committees and fundraising campaigns; to executive and HR support for a multinational corporation. Most importantly, she's an engaged Central Valley community member giving her time to working on social justice causes, community empowerment, and community alliances.

Liz's path was a bit uncommon. Although born a U.S citizen and having lived in California and Texas until the fourth grade, she attended fifth and sixth grade grammar schools in Aguascalientes, Mexico. Upon her return to the United States, she was enrolled in migrant education and English as a Second Language (ESL) programs where she experienced first-hand the benefits of equitable policies.

Liz is driven by her compassion for others, who because of their socioeconomic position, lack of access to opportunity, or non-exposure to quality leaders, face additional obstacles in their attempts to rise from their circumstance. Liz has first-hand knowledge on how access to opportunity and supportive leadership can dramatically change the trajectory of a person or family's social mobility.

Liz will be representing CLEAR in the community and assisting the executive director in executing CLEAR's

CLEAR Spring Institute 2018



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Intentional Activism:

Moving Leaders Beyond Courageous Conversations

Presented by the Center for Leadership, Equity, and Research (CLEAR) and Illuminate Education, the Central Valley Spring Institute is a one-day gathering bringing together P-12, business, and community leaders to develop equity steps "beyond Courageous Conversations." Sessions will focus on strategic forms of "intentional activism" in order to meet the needs of underserved students and communities.

Please join us for the special presentation of the Lifetime Achievement Award to Dr. Ken Magdaleno for his work and lifelong dedication to equity.

MAIN SPEAKERS



Ken Magdaleno, Ed.D.
Director of Educational Leadership, CSU Fresno



Abram Jimenez, Ed.D.
Vice President of Education, Illuminate Education

DATE: MARCH 9, 2018
TIME: 7:30AM -3:30PM
LOCATION: PICCADILLY INN AIRPORT
5115 E. McKinley Ave.
Fresno, CA 93727

[Learn more or register here.](#)

Save the Date!

2018 Golf Tournament Friday, June 1, 2018

Belmont Country Club
[8253 East Belmont Avenue](#)
[Fresno, CA 93737](#)

Come on out, play and raise funds to benefit our middle school mentoring programs. The CLEAR Golf Tournament is also a fun opportunity to learn more about the CLEAR mission, meet fellow golfers, and show off your golf skills!

[Learn more here.](#)



Sixth Annual Mentoring Summit

Mentoring at the Intersection of Education, Business, and Community Leadership October 27, 2017

We held our Sixth Annual Mentoring Summit at California State University, Fresno on October 27, 2017. The summit welcomed over 100 participants from schools, the community, and the business sector. The summit featured keynote speaker Dr. Pedro Noguera, Ramsey Jay, Jr. and Nate Saari and Jonathan Hernandez with Rise 2 It Productions.

We captured some great moments from the summit, click on image below to watch our short video.



Fix School Discipline

CLEAR and partners from the FixSchoolDiscipline Coalition have been busy developing and now implementing a way to best support YOU, our education faculty, teachers and administrators, during the transition to the new state standards and expectations. We are proud to announce the launch of our new Library of Resources on our website. <http://clearvoz.com/ctc-standards-and-expectations/>

CLEAR and an alliance of experts, faculty, and stakeholders spent the summer curating and vetting a list of high quality resources. The documents also highlight the CTC standards and expectations for educator preparation programs to align with on each of the following topics:

- Restorative Justice
- Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
- Social Emotional Learning
- Culturally Responsive Resources
- Dismantling Racism and Bias Resources
- Mental Health: Trauma Informed Practices
- Multiple Domains - FixSchoolDiscipline Toolkit & MTSS

These resources are featured on the CLEAR website to provide you with some of the most recommended research, resource hubs, videos, webinars, tool-kits and articles aligned to the new standards and expectations.

[Learn more here.](#)

CLEARvoz Journal

The CLEARvoz Journal received a number of manuscripts for publication consideration. The manuscripts are currently in the process of being reviewed and we hope to have the Journal published and ready for reading within the next couple of months. If you missed this call for manuscripts we will have a second call in late May/early June for the next publication.

If you would like information regarding the journal, review process and call for manuscripts, please contact Dr. Christina Luna at christinal@mail.fresnostate.edu; Dr. Mahmoud Suleiman at msuleiman@csu.edu; or Dr. Ken Magdaleno at kmagdaleno@clearvoz.com

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