5th ANNUAL DON & SARRAH KIDD LITERACY CONFERENCE

Saturday, March 15, 2014
7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Centennial High School, 1950 S. Sonoma Ranch Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88011

“Con Respeto: Literacy and Justice for All”

The goal of the conference is to provide K-12 educators with resources and research needed to create equitable literacy curricula that meet the needs of all students for the enhancement of reflection and action in the classroom. In addition to research and pedagogy, the conference will also include discussions about the impact of literacy and educational policy on student learning.

Featured Keynote Speakers

Dr. Guadalupe Valdés is a Professor of Education at Stanford University, Stanford, California. She is a founding partner of Understanding Language, an initiative that focuses on the role of language in subject-area learning in the Common Core State Standards and Next Generation State Standards. Her current research includes: education and armed conflict on the US-Mexico borders, second language acquisition of post-secondary students, immigrant families in Latino communities, and challenges of “curricularizing” language. Her publications include: Latino Children Learning English with Laura Alvarez and Sarah Capetelli, Con Respeto: Bridging the Distances Between Culturally Diverse Families and Schools, and Expanding Definitions of Giftedness: The Case of Young Interpreters From Immigrant Communities.

Dr. Carole Edelsky is professor emerita from Arizona State University and earned her Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction at the University of New Mexico. She is active in the Center for Establishing Dialogue in Teaching and Learning. In 2000, the National Council of Teachers of English named Dr. Edelsky the Outstanding Educator of Language Arts. Her research interests include: first and second language literacy, gender and language, critical literacy, and classroom discourse. She has recently co-authored with Karen Smith and Christian Faltis Side by Side Learning: Exemplary Literacy Practices for English Learners and English Speakers in Mainstream Classrooms. Her other publications include: Writing in a Bilingual Program and With Literacy and Justice for All: Rethinking the Social in Language and Education.

Registration will be available online after January 30, 2014. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. The conference will be from 7:30am-3:30 pm. If you have any questions, please contact the Don and Sarrah Kidd Chair in Literacy, Dr. Anita Hernández, at achernan@nmsu.edu or the graduate student conference coordinator, Amanda Lujan, at amandal@nmsu.edu. See you there! For more information visit our website: http://ci.education.nmsu.edu/research-outreach/kidd/