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## **Arizona's Dr. Alberto Siqueiros wins Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS) Outstanding Educator Award**

WASHINGTON, D.C.—February 12, 2016—The Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS) will recognize retired Superintendent Alberto Siqueiros, Ed.D., with the Outstanding Educator Award at its 11<sup>th</sup> Annual ALAS Recognition Reception from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, February 12, at the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Phoenix.

Siqueiros proudly served Arizona's P-12 public school students in a variety of roles in his career up to his retirement in 2014. His appointments included teacher, student advisor, school principal, principal coach, director of employee relations, assistant superintendent, chief academic officer, and most recently, superintendent. He has administrative experience in large urban, suburban, and tribal school districts including the Tucson Unified School District, Sunnyside Unified School District, Marana Unified School District, Yuma School District Number One, and the Baboquivari Unified School District. Siqueiros also served as a governing board member in the Marana Unified School District.

As a lifetime educator in Arizona, Siqueiros has largely served minority-majority communities and Hispanic-serving schools and districts. He strongly believes that schools must transform themselves into great schools that guide all students towards college and career readiness. He continues to support school improvement efforts as an educational consultant.

Siqueiros strongly advocates for underrepresented groups in higher education. He works closely with The University of Arizona towards increasing the recruitment and retention of minority students. He sat on the President's Hispanic Task Force, served on the President's P-20 Council, and the University's Parent and Family Association Advisory Board where he was co-chair of the Student Recruitment and Retention Committee. In addition, Siqueiros serves on the Arizona State Superintendent's Latino Education Advisory Committee and as past-president for the Arizona Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents.

"Dr. Siqueiros has had a long, distinguished career dedicated to advancing education opportunities for minority students," Veronica Rivera, ALAS Executive Director, said. "We are so pleased to honor such an esteemed individual who continues to make a difference in the lives of all youth."

The reception is being held in conjunction with the AASA National Conference on Education.

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### **About the Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS)**

The ALAS mission is to provide leadership at the national level that assures every school in America effectively serves the educational needs of all students, with an emphasis on Latino youth, by building capacity, promoting best practices, and transforming educational institutions. ALAS was established in 2003 in response to a lack of national advocacy and representation of Latino students.