

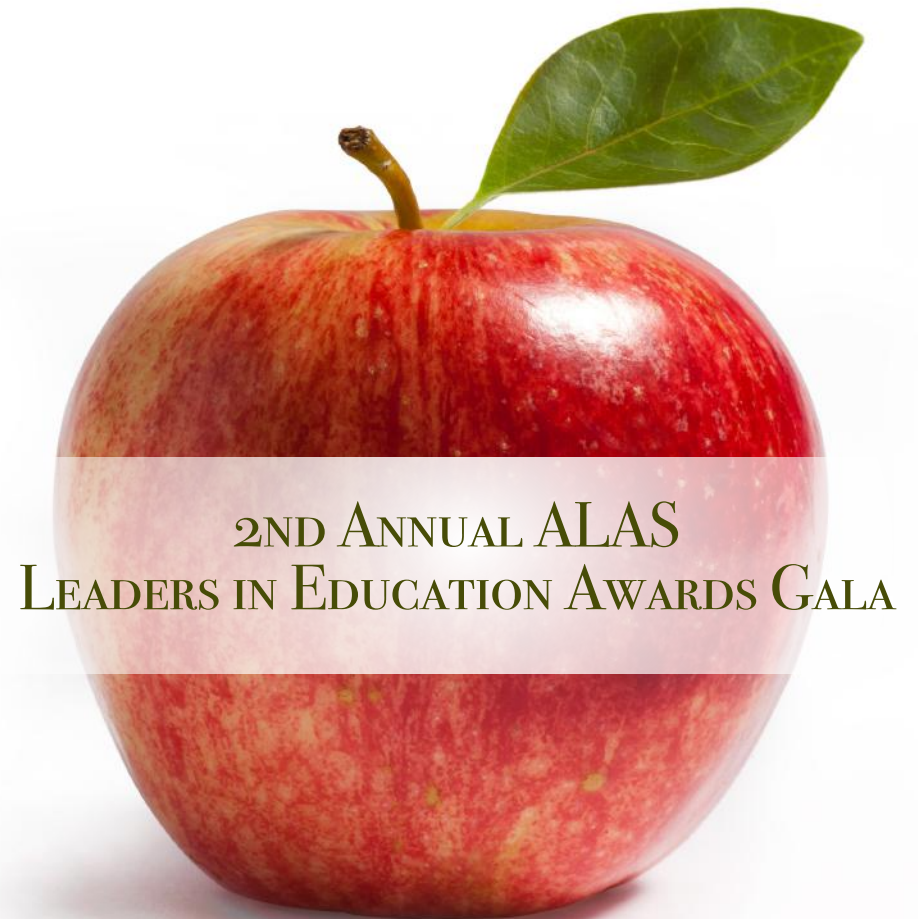
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2ND ANNUAL ALAS  
LEADERS IN EDUCATION AWARDS GALA

April 25, 2016

Mayflower Hotel  
Washington, District of Columbia



## PROGRAM

### Welcome Remarks

#### Dr. Francisco Durán

ALAS Board Member & Chief Financial Officer  
Fairfax County Public Schools  
Falls Church, Virginia

#### Veronica Rivera

Executive Director  
Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS)

### Presentation of Awards

#### Estrella Award

The Honorable John B. King, Jr.  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Education

#### Hispanic-Serving School District Administrator of the Year

Dr. Gregory A. Ewing, Chief Officer Accountability & Research  
Cobb County School District  
Marietta, Georgia

#### Hispanic-Serving School District Superintendent of the Year

Dr. Patrick Sweeney, Superintendent  
Napa Valley Unified School District  
Napa, California

#### Latino Administrator of the Year

Victoria B. Saldala, Director, Bilingual/ESOL Department  
Broward County Public Schools  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

#### Latino Superintendent of the Year

Dr. Ricardo Lopez, Superintendent  
Mission Consolidated Independent School District  
Mission, Texas

### Closing Remarks

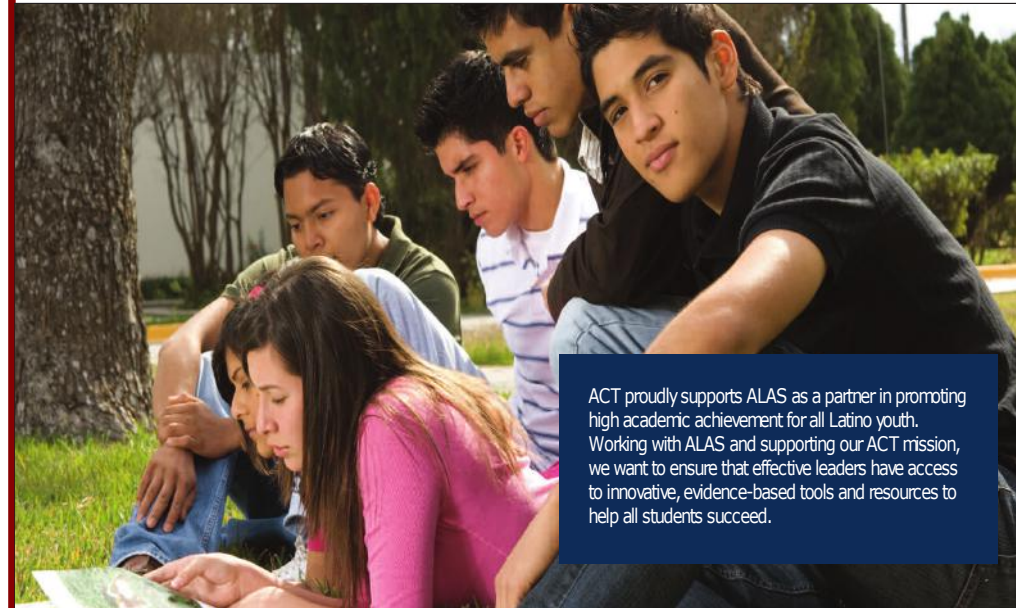
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## MENU

### 1st Period

Arugula, Toasted Pecans, Blue Cheese, and Champagne  
Vinaigrette

### 2nd Period

Roasted Chicken stuffed with Wild Mushrooms,  
and Chimmichurri Sauce

### 3rd Period

Avocado Cheesecake with Raspberry Coulis

## ABOUT ALAS

The Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS) is an educational professional association advocating for Latino youth through professional development, interaction, and networking among administrators in school districts nationwide that serve Hispanic students. ALAS was formed in 2003 in response to the lack of national advocacy and representation by the existing mainstream professional associations. It is this void that ALAS seeks to fill with a determined effort to improve the educational success of Hispanic youth and career opportunities for Hispanic administrators.

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. The name ALAS not only serves as the acronym for the organization, but was intentionally selected as a word in Spanish that means "wings." It is our hope the Association will continue to support school system leaders so all children, Hispanic students in particular, will have the wings to become successful, contributing members of society.



**Join ALAS Today!**

### ? Why Join

Latino students are now the largest minority group in American schools, and Latinos are the fastest growing segment of the population in the United States workforce. As the Hispanic population in this country continues to grow, school districts throughout the nation are being impacted. Schools are now dealing with addressing the needs of a changing population that may have a different culture, language and learning style.

### Who Can Join

The Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS) is a nonprofit organization effectively serving the educational needs of Latino youth through the professional development of administrators, and was established to partner with Hispanic serving schools to assist educators in advocating for resources and policies that benefit students in general and Hispanic students in particular. In order to help us achieve this goal, we invite you to become a member of one of the fastest growing and prestigious Latino associations in the nation, ALAS!

### Programs

The opportunity to apply to the prestigious ALAS Superintendents Leadership Academy.

### Scholarships & Services

The opportunity to apply for scholarships and access to our job bank.

### Research & Publications

Access newly released research and publications.

### Professional Development

The opportunity to attend conferences, webinars, and the annual ALAS Education Summit at a discount.

For more information on ALAS membership please visit us at [www.alasedu.org/membership/information!](http://www.alasedu.org/membership/information!)



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# 2016 AWARD WINNERS

## Latino Superintendent of the Year



Dr. Ricardo Lopez  
Superintendent  
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Chief Officer Accountability & Research  
Cobb County School District  
Marietta, Georgia

## STATE AFFILIATE SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADMINISTRATORS OF THE YEAR



**Dr. Ricardo Lopez**, Superintendent  
Mission Consolidated Independent School District  
Mission, Texas



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Mt. Pleasant, Utah



**Dr. Patrick Sweeney**, Superintendent  
Napa Valley Unified School District  
Napa, California



**Carlos M. Beato**, Principal  
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