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OMSD to host the Annual Parent Leadership Conference "Building Circles of Success"

Over 470 parents, community members, and staff will come together at the Ontario-Montclair School District's (OMSD) Annual Parent Leadership Conference on Wednesday, March 8, 2017. This year's theme is "Building Circles of Success".

Participants will hear keynote speakers **Anthony Robles** and **Dr. Stan Paz** (see below), as well as, hear from San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, **Superintendent Ted Alejandre**. Additionally, OMSD is honored to have **former California State Superintendent Delaine Eastin** addressing the participants on the importance of parent engagement. They will have the opportunity to attend a variety of breakout sessions on a variety of topics designed to help them support their child. This unique conference was designed by parents and staff to provide the tools, knowledge, and resources needed to support academic achievement, growth, and personal wellness.

Board President Elvia M. Rivas stated, "This year's theme, "Building Circles of Success" offers a myriad of learning opportunities for our parents and community members. The courses offered throughout this conference align with Twenty-First Century learning and provide resources to support social, emotional, and academic success for all students."

Annual Parent Leadership Conference
Wednesday, March 8, 2017
7:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
DoubleTree Hotel
222 N. Vineyard Avenue, Ontario

Anthony Robles: When Anthony Robles was born without a right leg, there was little hope he would go on to live a normal life, much less one focused on pursuing success in a sport as demanding as wrestling when such a disadvantage would prove a challenge that is almost insurmountable. But Robles proved to be a force that is unstoppable. With steely determination, a dedication to sharpening his mental strength and adapting his technique to win matches, Robles went from being the worst wrestler in the city of Mesa, Arizona to become the 2011 NCAA Division I Champion, a three-time All-American and NWCA Outstanding Wrestler of the Tournament—all the while winning with the challenge of wrestling able-bodied athletes.

"Our Community, Our Children, Our Commitment, Our Future"

Motivated and charismatic, Robles credits his ability to succeed in the face of overwhelming challenges to a belief instilled in him by his mother from the time he was born—that he could do anything and could overcome any obstacle that came his way. Named by President Obama as a member of the President's Council on Fitness, Sports, and Nutrition, and currently a NCAA wrestling analyst expert for ESPN, Robles is the recipient of the 2011 ESPYs Jimmy V Award for Perseverance.

Dr. Stan Paz: Dr. Paz is currently serving as the Executive Director for the Texas Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents. TALAS was established as a statewide organization for the identification, recruitment, development, and advancement of Latino school administrators in order to improve public education for all students, with an emphasis on improving the education and career opportunities of Latino youth.

Stan is a Board Member for La Universidad de Perú de Ciencias Aplicadas and Walden University. Dr. Paz is the former superintendent of schools in Tucson, Arizona and El Paso, Texas and Vice President with McGraw-Hill Education. His vision to create a tradition of academic achievement for Latino families and youth brings him to the Ontario-Montclair School District as a key consultant for Parent Involvement.