



## **Building Trauma-Responsive Schools: Recent Lessons and New Directions**

**Wednesday, June 12, 2019**

**8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Center for Performing Arts  
Governors State University**

**1 University Parkway, University Park, Illinois 60484**

### **Who Should Attend the Conference?**

K-12 educators and administrators as well as others interested in childhood trauma and resilience in the early education, social work, university, and health fields.

### **Keynote: State Superintendent Carmen Ayala**

We are delighted to welcome Dr. Carmen Ayala, the newly-appointed Illinois Superintendent of Education as the keynote speaker. Dr. Ayala will share her vision for education in the state and dialogue with Partnership for Resilience leaders as they share their experiences with and hopes for meeting the needs of the whole child.

### **Positive Response to School Discipline Reform (SB 100)**

The nine school districts that are part of the Partnership for Resilience's Southland Initiative continue to make steady progress in becoming trauma-responsive. This conference will highlight that progress with a particular focus on how schools are developing alternatives to exclusionary discipline aligned with SB 100/P.A. 99-0456.

### **About the Partnership for Resilience**

Partnership for Resilience works to transform and integrate education, health care, and community organizations to create a trauma-responsive, family-focused system that measurably improves academic, health, and social outcomes for children. To reach this goal the Partnership builds sustainable community partnerships creates resources, training and education programs, and advocates for research-based policies that further its mission.

### **Cost**

\$50 per person includes a light breakfast and lunch. Scholarships are available for individuals unable to afford the conference fee.

### **Conference Keynote Presenter**

**Carmen Ayala, State Superintendent  
of Education**



Dr. Ayala has more than 30 years of education experience and is the first woman and the first person of color appointed to serve as State Superintendent full-time. She most recently served as the superintendent of Berwyn North School District 98. Her prior positions include assistant superintendent for Plainfield District 202; director in Community Consolidated School District 300; and as an assistant superintendent, director of Bilingual Services, and teacher in Aurora East School District 131. She began her career at Chicago Public Schools, serving as a teacher for five years. Dr. Ayala received her Bachelor of Arts from Mundelein College, her MBA from Dominican University, and her Ph.D. in educational leadership and policy studies from Loyola University of Chicago.

### **Conference Breakout Sessions**

- ▶ Classroom Strategies in Trauma-Responsive Schools
- ▶ Making a Difference — One Protective Factor at a Time for Building Resilience
- ▶ Restorative Curriculum — Culturally Relevant Pedagogy as Restorative Justice
- ▶ Breaking Through — Engaging Youth Voice to Increase Organizational Impact
- ▶ Working with your Student's First Teacher — Parent/Family Engagement
- ▶ A Roadmap from Trauma-Informed to Trauma Practices

**Clock hours available. IEIN Number required.**

### **Registration**

Register at: [Early Lessons Conference Registration](https://www.partnership4resilience.org) or at [www.partnership4resilience.org](https://www.partnership4resilience.org).

### **More Information**

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