# PARENT INSTITUTE



LIVE YOUR STORY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM @ THE SUMMIT (BUILDING 410)

## Agenda

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

8:30 — 9:15 am	Check In & Continental Breakfast
9:15 — 9:45 am	Opening & College Welcome Dr. Julie Marquez, EOPS/CARE, NextUp/REACH & CalWORKs
	Land and Labor Acknowledgment Daniell'e Silva, Associated Students President
	Introduction of Keynote Speaker Carolyn Lake-Bain, EOPS/CARE Counselor
9:45 am — 10:30 am	Keynote Speaker Dr. Martha Garcia, Mt. SAC College President
10:30 am — 10:35 am	Overview of the Day Carolyn Lake-Bain, EOPS/CARE Counselor
10:45 am — 11:45 am	Workshop Session A
11:55 am — 12:55 pm	Workshop Session B
1:00 pm — 1:50 pm	Networking Lunch, Main Room Resource Fair, Reception Area
2:00 pm — 3:00 pm	Workshop Session C
3:10 pm — 3:30 pm	Hot Cocoa Bar & Opportunity Drawing (optional)



### Keynote Speaker

## Dr. Martha Garcia Mt. SAC College President

As the 10th President/CEO of Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC), she is the first President of color for the College, as well as the second female President. Dr. Martha Garcia is driven to serve the students, whose experiences often reflect her own.

Dr. Garcia was the first in her family to pursue higher education, getting her start at a community college. Her parents, both from Mexico, worked as farmworkers so their children could have better opportunities in life.

Prior to joining Mt. SAC, Dr. Garcia was the Superintendent/President of College of the Desert (COD). Before joining COD, Dr. Garcia served as Superintendent/President of Imperial Valley College in Imperial, California, where she developed numerous programs to remove barriers to student success.

Dr. Garcia holds a Doctorate of Education in Educational Leadership from San Diego State University, a Master's Degree in Educational Counseling from National University, a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from San Diego State University, and an Associate Degree from Imperial Valley College.

She also serves, or has served, in leadership roles on boards and task forces of numerous organizations, including the California Association of Latino Community College Trustees and Administrators, Community College League of California Committees, and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Implementation Workgroup.

Dr. Garcia is committed to the transformative power of higher education and student-centered leadership. The values she learned from her parents hard work, perseverance, honesty, and respect - guide and inspire her.

## Schedule At A Glance

Room Location	Session A: 10:45 am - 11:45 am
3060-A	Dads Don't Babysit Their Own Kids Jeze Lopez
3060-В	Resources to Support Student Parents Basic Needs and Success Kimberly Yerena & Helen Hernandez
3060-D	"Building Your Parenting Student Toolkit" Dr. Trista Payte
3060-E	"MAKE IT HAPPEN"  Lorraine Jones
3030-A	How to Get a Free Lawyer for Family Problems Betty Nordwind
3030-В	Student Parents are Transfer Students! Josh Loudon
Multicultural Center (2nd Floor)	Hopes and Dreams for Improved Access to Childcare for Mt. SAC Students Dr. Annel Medina Tagarao, Steve Gomez, & Dr. Marcell Gilmore

Session B: 11:55 am - 12:55 pm	Session C: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Finding Your Strength Crissy Herzog-Kabisch	Money: You've Got Questions & We've Got Answers Dr. Lisa Amos
Create the BEST YOU at and Beyond Mt. SAC! Tony Rivas	Parenting Pathways: Navigating Success Through Mentorship Diana Felix & Kristal Bilderbach
Don't Stop Believing! Finding Your Voice, Fighting for Your Dreams Andreana McCall	I Think I Can. I Think I Can. I Think I Can. Kristina Alvarado, Jackie Caldera, &
ScholarShare 529 & CalKIDS - The First Step to College Dana Salas	Vanessa Tellez
How to Get a Free Lawyer for Family Problems Betty Nordwind	How to Get a Free Lawyer for Family Problems Betty Nordwind
Finding Your Roots: "I Am From" Creative Writing Briseida Maciel & Andrea Gonzalez	Advocacy for Your Children, Family, Community Trustee Laura Santos
Hopes and Dreams for Improved Access to Childcare for Mt. SAC Students Dr. Annel Medina Tagarao, Steve Gomez, & Dr. Marcell Gilmore	None

## Workshops

#### Resources to Support Student Parents Basic Needs and Success

Presenter: Kimberly Yerena & Helen Hernandez (Room Location: 3060-B)

Workshop Session A - 10:45 am - 11:45 am

Workshop Pillars: Fighter (Advocacy)

Come join the Basic Need Resources workshop to learn more about how resources and services within the Basic Needs Resources program support student parents with their educational journey. We will provide an overview of our program, services provided, and opportunities to connect with our program.

#### "Building Your Parenting Student Toolkit"

Presenter: Dr. Trista Payte (Room Location: 3060-D)

Workshop Session A - 10:45 am - 11:45 am

Workshop Pillars: Creator (Self-Authorship/Entrepreneurship)

This workshop includes shared stories from three panelists with student parent experience. Mt. SAC Associated Student President, Daniell'e Silva, and a former Mt. SAC single mom of three (and now a transfer student as well) will share their success stories to inspire parenting students. Mt. SAC Writing Center Director, Dr. Trista Payte, will also discuss her single parent student journey from community college through her doctoral work. The activity wrap-up will focus on themes of community, mentorship, and self-care strategies to aid you in your journey. Finally, all workshop attendees will receive starter packets for building better self-management into their lives that includes planner templates, journal prompts, and stress balls.

#### "MAKE IT HAPPEN"

Presenter: Lorraine Jones (Room Location: 3060-E)

Workshop Session A - 10:45 am - 11:45 am Workshop Pillars: Believer (Self-Efficacy)

This workshop will discuss the importance of Physical Wellness when navigating life's challenges as a parenting student pursuing success. It will include an easy to follow short 3-minute Zumba dance activity and a group discussion among participants.

#### **Student Parents are Transfer Students!**

Presenter: Josh Loudon (Room Location: 3030-B)

Workshop Session A - 10:45 am - 11:45 am Workshop Pillars: Dreamer (Goal Setter)

The Transfer Center at Mt. San Antonio College understands what many of our student parents experience, so we dedicate our resources and space to supporting as many non-traditional students and student parents with the transfer process as possible. In this engaging and informative workshop, we share what services the Transfer Center offers and what it takes to transfer to Cal States, UCs, and California private universities including what to expect with the application process. Then we will highlight some of the student-parent-friendly resources and spaces available to transfer parents at local universities.

#### **Dads Don't Babysit Their Own Kids**

Presenter: Jeze Lopez (Room Location: 3060-A)

Workshop Session A - 10:45 am - 11:45 am Workshop Pillars: Dreamer (Goal Setter)

Raising kids can be the most rewarding life experience, but it can also be one of the hardest! Come and learn tips on how to navigate stereotypes and expectations as a father/stepfather that can help you create a healthy balance in your family. This workshop is intended for anyone seeking to create a healthier balance when co-parenting.

## Hopes and Dreams for Improved Access to Childcare for Mt. SAC Students

Presenters: Steve Gomez, Dr. Annel Medina Tagarao, & Dr. Marcell Gilmore

(Room Location: Multicultural Center 2nd Floor)

Workshop Session A & B - 10:45 - 11:45 am & 11:55 am - 12:55 pm

Workshop Pillars: Dreamer (Goal Setter)

Mt. SAC's research team is interested in learning about your childcare needs to better support you. In this session, you will participate in a discussion about childcare. Through your participation in this session, we hope to hear your insights, feelings, expertise and experiences surrounding childcare.

#### Create the BEST YOU at and Beyond Mt. SAC!

Presenter: Tony Rivas (Room Location: 3060-B)

Workshop Session B - 11:55 am - 12:55 pm

Workshop Pillars: Creator (Self-Authorship/Entrepreneurship)

Creating the BETTER YOU is an ongoing and transformational journey that helps us all grow, and this interactive workshop will help you gain a better sense of "self" as a developing community college student. As part of this workshop, participants will walk away with empowering tools and strategies that can be put into practice each day. Join other students to just set aside some fun time to author that BETTER YOU!

#### Finding Your Roots: "I Am From" Creative Writing

Presenter: Briseida Maciel & Andrea Gonzalez (Room Location: 3030-B)

Workshop Session B - 11:55 am - 12:55 pm

Workshop Pillars: Creator (Self-Authorship/Entrepreneurship)

Join this workshop to explore who you are as a unique individual and start to identify the cultural heritage you possess and would like to pass on. We can all take the path to self-authored creative ways to help us discover what makes you "you," from the places you've been, to the people you have strong connections with. This workshop will lead you through a creative writing process that will conclude with your own cultural poem called, "I am From." You will get to hear from Boris Fuentes, a current Mt. SAC and former foster youth student who has self-authored cultural creative writing.

#### Don't Stop Believing! Finding Your Voice, Fighting for Your Dreams

Presenter: Andreana McCall (Room Location: 3060-D)

Workshop Session B - 11:55 am - 12:55 pm Workshop Pillars: Believer (Self-Efficacy)

This workshop will help parent students develop a vision for their academic and overall future. The goal is to help you envision a life of continuing success by mapping out your goals visually through a vision board experience. No vision is too small-even if it is as simple as having a successful semester in college. It should be in front of your eyes to see, so you can reach for it authentically and realistically.

#### Finding Your Strength

Presenter: Crissy Herzog-Kabisch (Room Location: 3060-A)

Workshop Session B - 11:55 am - 12:55 pm Workshop Pillars: Believer (Self-Efficacy)

Being a parenting student presents many unique barriers and challenges with balancing academics, personal responsibilities, and maintaining mental health. This workshop focuses on identifying any limiting beliefs impacting parenting students' success and recognizing strengths that can increase balance and a sense of accomplishment.

#### ScholarShare 529 & CalKIDS - The First Step to College

Presenter: Dana Salas (Room Location: 3060-E)

Workshop Session B - 11:55 am - 12:55 pm Workshop Pillars: Dreamer (Goal Setter)

The ScholarShare Investment Board offers 2 programs that help students pay for college. The CalKIDS program gives free money up to \$1,500 to eligible students to pay for higher education costs. ScholarShare 529 helps families save for college. Both programs aim at increasing access to higher education by making it easier to pay for it while increasing financial literacy. The workshop will educate attendees all about the two programs, so families and students are well equipped with the resources available to them throughout the state of California. Come learn more to take advantage of the free money for college the state of California is giving to students.

#### Money: You've Got Questions & We've Got Answers

Presenter: Dr. Lisa Amos (Room Location: 3060-A)

Workshop Session C - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Workshop Pillars: Dreamer (Goal Setter)

Join the (MMMC) Mountie Money Management Center Faculty Coordinator and Student Ambassadors to talk about financial empowerment and get your money questions answered. This will be an open forum rather than a scripted workshop.

#### I Think I Can. I Think I Can. I Think I Can.

Presenter: Kristina Alvarado, Jackie Caldera, & Vanessa Tellez

(Room Location: 3060-D & 3060-E)

Workshop Session C - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Workshop Pillars: Believer (Self-Efficacy)

This workshop will offer an empowering introduction to understanding the difference between self-esteem and self-efficacy. We'll practice ways to use positive self-talk, visualization exercises, and reframing statements as ways to boost confidence, happiness, and self-love!

#### Advocacy for Your Children, Family, Community

Presenter: Laura Santos (Room Location: 3030-B)

Workshop Session C - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Workshop Pillars: Fighter (Advocacy)

You're not the only one that makes decisions about you and your children's education, and yet you are THE expert when it comes to your children's educational needs. Join this workshop to discuss the importance of civic engagement, advocacy, and review this year's elections. Organizing and advocacy techniques will also be covered including the IEP/540 process, election opportunities, and advocacy milestones.

#### Parenting Pathways: Navigating Success Through Mentorship

Presenters: Diana Felix & Kristal Bilderbach (Room Location: 3060-B)

Workshop Session C - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Workshop Pillars: Creator (Self-Authorship/Entrepreneurship)

Join us for an empowering workshop designed for parent students! Discover how mentorship can unlock your full potential as you balance the demands of parenthood and pursuing your education. Gain valuable insights, practical strategies, and connect with a supportive community to help you thrive in your academic journey while navigating the joys and challenges of parenting. Don't miss this opportunity to chart your path to success with the guidance of experienced mentors!

#### How to Get a Free Lawyer for Family Problems

Presenter: Betty Nordwind (Room Location: 3030-A)

Workshop Session A, B, & C - 10:45 - 11:45 am/11:55 am - 12:55 pm/2:00 - 3:00pm

Workshop Pillars: Fighter (Advocacy)

This workshop provides basic info about family law and how to obtain free legal aid from the Harriett Buhai Center for Family Law and other resources available in Los Angeles.



## Workshop Facilitators

## **Dr. Annel Medina Tagarao**Educational Research Assessment Analyst

Annel is an Educational Research Assessment Analyst in the Research and Institutional Effectiveness Office at Mt. San Antonio College (2012 to present). This includes spending the last 11 years in a college setting conducting a variety of research, data collection, data analysis, and reporting of data to provide information and assistance for institutional planning issues, decision-making, and program planning data in institutional research.

## **Steve Gomez**Coordinator, Grants

Steve is a Coordinator for the Grants Office at Mt. SAC. He has over 20 years of experience in education beginning as a K-12 teacher, and later serving in research and development roles in higher education. He has been Grant Coordinator at Mt. SAC since 2017 and enjoys collaborating with students, faculty and staff to develop funding opportunities that address the needs of the college and the community of students we serve.

## **Dr. Marcell Gilmore**Research Analyst

Marcell started a career in research and evaluation when he started working with a firm that was the third-party evaluator for LAUSD high school implementing Small Learning Communities. From there, he took a research position at Rio Hondo College. For the last several years, he has been serving as a Research Analyst at Mt. SAC.



## Helen Hernandez (She/Her/Hers) Project Expert III-Basic Needs Resources

Helen Hernandez is a Mt. SAC Alumni who received a Bachelor's in Sociology from Cal Poly Pomona. She currently serves as a Project Expert III for Basic Needs Resources for the past three years. In her role, she oversees running the food pantry along with a team of six staff, assists the program coordinator with data collection, submits food orders, works on any projects assigned, and delivers snacks to our partners in the Mountie Fresh Snack Rack Program.

## **Dr. Trista Payte** (She/Her/Hers) Director-Writing Center

Dr. Trista Payte holds an Ed.D. in Educational Policy and Leadership and an M.A. in English, both from California State University Northridge. Before coming to Mt. SAC, Trista served as the Writing Programs Coordinator at California State University, Northridge where she also taught in the English and Humanities departments for over a decade. Her areas of specialization, passion, and interest include writing center theory and praxis, rhetoric and composition, writing across the curriculum, and antiracist pedagogy. When she isn't wearing her academic hat, Trista enjoys spending time with her two children, reading contemporary fiction and graphic novels, and hiking with her partner and her two rescue dogs.

## Lorraine Jones (She/Her/Hers) Coordinator-Health/Fitness for the Exercise Science/Wellness Center

Lorraine Jones has a Master's Degree in Kinesiology with an emphasis in Health Promotion from Cal State University, Fullerton. For 18 years, she has taught lecture classes related to exercise science, physiology, anatomy and biomechanics at Mt. San Antonio College. Her current job position on campus is the Full-time Health/Fitness Coordinator at the Exercise Science Wellness Center at Mt. San Antonio College. An enjoyable portion of her time is teaching group fitness classes: kickboxing, step aerobics, boot camp, and HIIT to college students. Her interests include attending health/fitness and Strength Training conferences, as well as traveling, hiking, and exercising.



### Josh Loudon (He/Him/His) Director-Transfer Center

Mt. SAC's new Transfer Center Director is Josh Loudon. He is an award-winning academic advising professionals who graduated with a double major in Anthropology and Linguistics and a Master's in Anthropology from California State University, Fullerton. Josh teaches Anthropology as an adjunct faculty at Mt. SAC and is currently a student parent working on his Doctorate of Education in Community College Leadership at Cal State Fullerton. Josh has 12 years of experience supporting undeclared and transfer students and is the happy father of 7 year old triplet daughters and a 4 year old son.

### **Tony Rivas**EOPS/CARE Counselor

Tony Rivas is a first-generation student who has continued to support thousands of community college students as they embarked along their own educational journey in pursuit of a higher education and better life. A lifelong learner, he has committed his professional career to helping others develop their strengths and capacity to create a better future. Tony is a proud Mt. San Antonio College EOPS/CARE Counselor who has vested 19 full-time years of his professional life while balancing his equally important parenting role as "Papá" to three beautiful children (Sophia, Nicholas, and Andrés) and his wife (Araceli) who is a Profesora de Español at another local community college. He is a proud community college student who earned his Liberal Arts degree from Santa Ana College in 1993 and other universities that followed (in subsequent years).

### Jeze Lopez (He/Him/His) Assistant Director-NextUP/REACH

Jeze Lopez serves as the NextUp/REACH Assistant Director, a program that seeks to provide wraparound services for current and former Foster Youth in their transition into college, their experience at Mt. SAC and their graduation or transfer to a university. Jeze has a personal philosophy that if we have the opportunity to help others, then we have the responsibility to do so. Jeze is a first-generation college graduate and a proud child of immigrants as both of his parent emigrated from Mexico over 40 years ago. Jeze holds a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Cal Poly Pomona, and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of La Verne. He has over 15 years of experience working with Foster Youth and Homeless Youth, and plans to continue his passion for working with disadvantaged populations and provide opportunities for them in the same manner that he received himself.



## Kristina Alvarado (She/Her/Hers) Academic Support and Achievement Center

Kristina Alvarado serves as the director for the Academic Support and Achievement Center at Mt. SAC. She is passionate about working with college students to discover the components of academic learning that contribute to achievement and obtaining personal goals! Kristina holds a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology from Cal Poly Pomona, Master's Degree in Postsecondary Student Affairs and Administration from USC, and a Ph.D. in Educational Administration from Claremont Graduate University. She is proud to be a first-generation Latina and working mom.

## Jackie Caldera (She/Her/Hers) Project/Program Specialist-Academic Support and Achievement Center

Jackie Caldera is the Academic Support and Achievement Center Project Program Specialist. She assists with marketing the department via social media and presentations, manage tutor referrals through Early Alert, and assist coordinators with the SI/ET group. She is also a mother of two and taking classes to complete her degree.

## Vanessa Tellez Project/Program Specialist-Academic Support and Achievement Center

Vanessa Tellez is the Project/Program Specialist at the Academic Support & Achievement Center. She loves volunteering for campus events and helping connect students to services to enhance their academic journey. As a proud Mt. SAC alumni, she obtained her Bachelor's in Sociology from Cal State, Northridge, and is currently working on her Master's in College Counseling and Student Development at Azusa Pacific University. She is a loving tia of two nephews, caregiver to her disabled sister, and an expecting mommy.



#### **Betty Nordwind (She/Her/Hers)** Senior Advisor/Attorney at Law

Betty Nordwind has devoted her legal career to social justice issues. Betty has been on the forefront of efforts championing the rights of the poor, disabled persons and women. Graduating from the University of Colorado Law School in 1971, Betty immediately signed up for a service corps program at Metro Denver Legal Aid, handling everyday problems of indigent residents of Colorado. As the Executive Director of the Harriett Buhai Center of Family Law. the Center grew to include hundreds of trained lawyers and law students, has filed several significant lawsuits, engaged in other advocacy directed to eliminating barriers to the courts, and undertaken legislative efforts to change child support laws and practices in California and Los Angeles. Under Betty's direction, the Center opened doors to the promise of family law and donated volunteer assistance to low-income community college students and incarcerated mothers. In 2014, Betty was honored by the State Bar of California with the prestigious Loren Miller Legal Services Award, a lifetime achievement award recognizing her long-term commitment to providing legal services to very low-income individuals and families. Betty's crusade for the rights of the poor and disenfranchised precedes her accomplished legal career and began when she was iust a teen.

## **Briseida Maciel** (She/Her/Hers) Program Specialist II-NextUp/REACH

Briseida Maciel serves as the Program Specialist for the NextUp/REACH foster youth support program at Mt. SAC. She has worked in numerous support programs that serve underrepresented and post-traditional students at four-year and private institutions. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology from Cal Poly Pomona and a Master's Degree in Post Secondary Administration and Student Affairs from USC. Briseida is a proud EOP and Renaissance Scholars CPP Alum and mom of two boys. In her spare time, she enjoys long walks with her dog Kuma.



## Andrea Gonzalez (She/Her/Hers) Program Specialist II-Equity Center & Multicultural Center

Andrea Garcia Gonzalez is the Program Specialist for the Equity Center and Multicultural Center at Mt. SAC. Andrea is driven to centering the experiences of marginalized student populations and strives to bring diverse groups together through her role. She has been at Mt. SAC since August 2021. Andrea earned her academic degrees from the University of Southern California (Master's in Educational Counseling) and Santa Clara University (Bachelor's in Child Studies). She is proud of her Central Valley roots, and her titles as #dogmom, daughter, sister, tia/madrina, wife, cousin, friend, mentor, and educator.

#### **Kimberly Yerena** (She/Her/Hers) Lead Student Resource Navigator

Kimberly Yerena, a Mt. SAC Alumni, received an Associate's Degree in Paralegal and Sociology, a Certification in eDiscovery, and currently is at Cal Poly Pomona pursuing a Bachelor's in Sociology. She is the Lead Student Resource Navigator and has been working with Basic Needs Resources for the past year. Kimberly leads a team of six Student Resource Navigators in assisting students with basic needs insecurities. Her team connects students with resources on and off campus.

## Andreana McCall (She/Her/Hers) Faculty-English, Literature and Creative Writing Department

Andreana McCall is an English Professor and single mother who raised 3 children alone. She attended college as a single parent and participated in EOPS and CARE programs. She was also a recipient of a Soroptimist scholarship. She decided to become a teacher while being home on medical leave after a work injury. Andreana's oldest children were in elementary school when she became very involved in their education and got to see the missing link in education-ME. She went back to school as a single parent. She often worked 2 to 3 jobs, attended school and ran her household. She also made the Dean's List EVERY semester of her education and graduated Summa Cum Laude from San Diego State University.



### Crissy Herzog-Kabisch (She/Her/Hers) Mental Health Clinician-Student Health Center

Crissy Herzog-Kabisch is a licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) who has been working in the field of Social Work and Mental Health over the last 11 years. Crissy has worked with diverse populations and ages, most recently working with the CalWORKs population prior to coming to Mt. SAC. Crissy currently works at Mt. SAC's Student Health Services as a Mental Health Clinician providing short-term therapy to students.

## **Dr. Lisa Amos** (She/Her/Hers) Faculty Coordinator & Professor of Family and Consumer Studies

Lisa Amos developed and manages the MMMC (Mountie Money Management Center) at Mt. SAC. She is faculty and is also an AFC (Accredited Financial Counselor). Lisa and her team of Student Ambassadors work with students to help them elevate their financial education skills. Lisa is also a single mom to a 19 year old Mt. SAC student.

## Laura Santos (She/Her/Hers) Trustee | Board of Trustees

Laura Santos was elected to the Mt. SAC College Board in 2013. She lives in Bassett, represents Area 3 (Baldwin Park, Irwindale, and portions of Bassett and West Covina), and previously served on the Basset USD Board of Education. She earned a B.A. in political science at UCLA and law degree at UC Davis. She practiced law for ten years and now works in Public Relations. She has more than 20 years of experience in community and grassroots in outreach and organizing. Much of her career has been spent working in communities of need to address equity and justice issues in education, health, poverty, and access to parks and open space. Ms. Santos builds strong working relationships with leaders, recruits and engages stakeholders, and volunteers. She specializes in developing strategies that inform, educate, build support, and generate a call to action. Since bad knees forced her to give up running, she now enjoys biking and foreign policy in her free time.



## **Diana Felix (She/Her/Ella)**Faculty, Counselor Coordinator- ACES Program

Diana Felix identifies as a proud Chicana who is the oldest of five children of Mexican immigrants from the state of Zacatecas and Durango and grew up in the city of Baldwin Park, California. Since 2011, she has served as Faculty, Counselor Coordinator at Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC) for the ACES Program, a TRIO Student Support Service Program, that assists low-income, first-generation, and/or disabled students to graduate and transfer to a four-year institution. Diana is a proud Mt. SAC alumnus, who carried her familia's traditions and cultura to college when she transferred to UC Barbara (UCSB). While at UCSB, she completed a six-month education abroad program in Spain and uses this lived experience to encourage other CCC first-gen and low-income students to do the same. She received her Bachelor's Degree in Sociology from UCSB and her Master's Degree from CSU Long Beach in Counseling, Student Development in Higher Education (SDHE). Her longstanding commitment to educational equity is demonstrated in how she plants seeds of hope to students entering the California Community College system, ultimately transforming their lives and the communities they represent.

## **Dana Salas**Outreach Specialist

Since 2016, Dana Salas has been an Outreach Specialist who loves helping families save for college and has raised awareness about the importance of saving for higher education.

## Kristal Bilderbach (She/Her/Hers) Project Expert II-Achieving College Ensuring Success

Kristal Bilderbach is a proud alum of Mt. San Antonio College who started her education with many barriers. She was a first gen, low income, single parent who had recently been emancipated from the foster care system. When she began her journey at Mt. SAC, she had limited information, but thanks to the amazing people she found here and the many programs which served her different needs, her life was transformed. Currently, she's in the last semester of her Master's program and living a life that far surpasses what she could have dreamt. She has found that the challenges are real, but the support available is even more powerful.

### THE SUMMIT MAP

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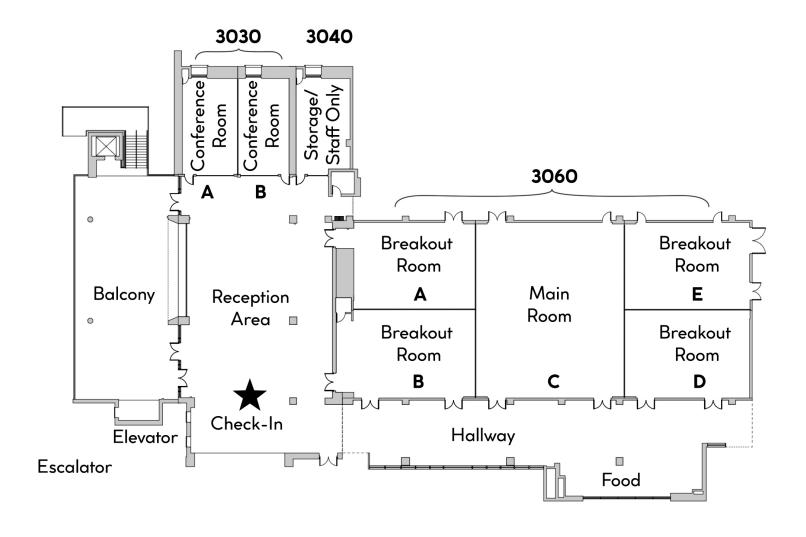
### **Areas of Importance:**

Check-In: The Summit 3rd Floor near Elevator

Opening/Welcome/Keynote Speaker: Main Room C

Resource Fair: Reception Area

Hot Cocoa Bar: Multicultural Center: 2nd Flr. Rm. 2030



The Summit 3rd Floor

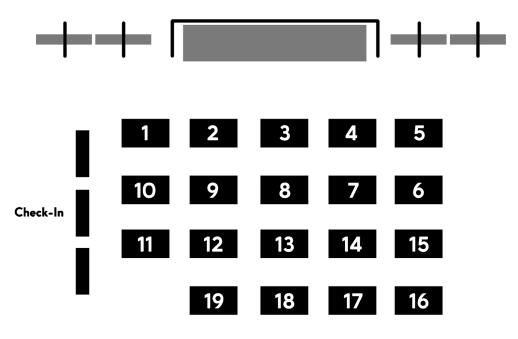
### Special Thanks to all Participants

Thank you for attending the third annual Mt. San Antonio College Parent Institute - Live Your Story, hosted by EOPS/CARE and CalWORKs. We also would like to acknowledge the support and sponsorship of Associated Students. We hope you enjoyed today's experience. In an effort to create welcoming and supportive environments, we are committed to providing intentional programming for Mt. SAC's parenting students.
YOU BELONG HERE!

#### **Planning Committee:**

**Ana Silvia Turcios** Anisa Alonso **Annel Medina Tagarao** Blanca Alvarado Briseida Maciel Carolyn Lake-Bain Evie Loadjaja Gabriela Navar Gloria Munguia Heather Meltesen Julie Marquez Kaitlyn Yrineo Laura Santos Lorena Duran Perla Partida Sandra Aquino

#### Community Partner's Resource Fair Table Guide



### Community Partner's Resource Fair Table Map

#### Table # & Name of Organization

1. Harriet Buhai Center for Famil
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2. ParkTree Community Health Center

3. Planned Parenthood

4. Servants Arms

5. Goodwill Southern California

6. Pregnancy Resource Center

7. Women's Resource Center CPP

8. UC Riverside Underground Scholars Program

9. Children Dental FunZone

10. CalKIDS

11. Project Sister

12. CA TruConnect

13. Catholic Charities, Los Angeles

**14. DPSS** 

15. Foothill Family

16. Basic Needs Resources

17. Mt. SAC Health Mental Health Services

18. Mt. SAC Mountie Money Management

19. Mt. SAC Child Development Center

The Parent Institute Committee would also like to thank all of those who have participated in the resource fair.

Thank you for showing your continued support

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