

Welcome to the
101st Annual
Meeting and
Luncheon
February 17, 2023
Marriott Riverwalk
Hotel, Southtown 3
Ballroom

The Horace Mann League's 101st Annual Meeting & Luncheon

Education then,
beyond all other
devices of human
origin, is the great
equalizer of the
conditions of men,
the balance-wheel
of the social
machinery.

Horace Mann



Agenda

Welcome – Opening Remarks – Guests.

Presentations to Corporate Partners

Outstanding Public Educator.

to Dan Domenech

by Ruben Alejandro

by Ruben Alejandro

by Lisa Parady

Invocation (Lunch Served)

by Charles Johnson

Recognition - Retiring Executive Director

by James Harvey

Ambassador Awards

by Ruben Alejandro

to Martin Brooks, Brent Clark, Jeanne Collins,
Gregg Fuerstenau, Andi Furlis, Kevin Riley,
and James Harvey

Outstanding Friend of the League

to Kathleen Hurley & David Berliner

by Jeanne Collins-Deweese

Outstanding Friend of Public Education

to Gary Orfield and Patricia Gándara

by Brent Clark

Panel and Questions

by Jimmy Minichello

With Kathleen Hurley, Gary Orfield, and Patricia Gándara

Business Meeting

The League By-Law Proposal

by Ruben Alejandro

Nomination and Election

by Ruben Alejandro

Introduction of New Executive Director

by Ruben Alejandro

Past President's Award to Ruben Alejandro

by James Harvey

Passing the Gavel to Bill Mathis

by Ruben Alejandro

Adjournment

by Bill Mathis

Corporate Partners



The League's Mission

The mission of the Horace Mann League, a patriotic, honorary, and educational organization, is to advance public education. The Horace Mann League will advance public education through the following:

1. Promote the importance of public education for our democracy.
2. Support educational leaders in identifying and responding to practices and trends affecting public education that are inconsistent with the principles of our democracy
3. Represent and communicate the value and reality of public education to executive, legislative, and judicial bodies, and to the public at large; and,
4. Recruit and recognize those who advance public education.



The 2023 Outstanding Friend of Education Award will be presented to Gary Orfield and Patricia Gándara.

Gary Orfield and Patricia Gándara are co-directors of UCLA’s Civil Rights Project have been in the vanguard of academic inquiry into the inequities that plague American society. But they’re also a formidable team off the campus – as a married couple.

Gándara and Orfield are presently immersed in a research initiative in collaboration with scholars across the nation, to develop a civil rights research and policy agenda for the next quarter century. Their recent books include *Schools Under Siege: The Impact of Immigration Enforcement on Educational Equity* (2021, Harvard Ed Press) by Gándara and *The Walls Around Opportunity: The Failure of Color-Blind Policy for Higher Education* (2022, Princeton U. Press)



The 2023 Outstanding Public Educator Award will be presented to Dan Domenech.

Daniel A. Domenech has served as executive director of the American Association of School Administrators since July 2008. Domenech has more than 36 years of experience in public education, twenty-seven of those years served as a school superintendent.

Domenech began his teaching career in New York City, where he taught sixth grade in a predominantly black and Hispanic community in South Jamaica, Queens.

He then became program director for the Nassau Board of Cooperative Educational Services, which is the largest intermediate school district in the State of New York.






















The 2023 Friend of the League Award will be presented to Kathleen Hurley.

Kathy Hurley is a former senior executive for numerous educational publishing and technology companies, Hurley was selected as a Fellow of the Advanced Leadership Initiative (ALI) at Harvard University and co-founded a global nonprofit organization, Girls Thinking

Hurley is a long-time friend of the League and instrumental in linking with corporate partners. She is a senior advisor to several educational technology companies, education associations, and school superintendent networks.

She is also the co-editor, with Priscilla Shumway, of *Real Women, Real Leaders: Surviving and Succeeding in the Business World* (Wiley).

The 2022 Officers and Directors

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Ambassador Awardees for 2022

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| 1993-23 Jack McKay | WA |
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| 1946-54 Joy Elmer Morgan | |
| 1925-45 Carroll Pearse | |
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| 1922 John A. Smith | |

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with Bryan Brayboy, Adrienne Dixon, and Daniel G. Solorzano.

[The U.S. Dept. of Education and the Local Public](#)

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[Equity and Equality in the Public Schools](#) with Linda Darling Hammond and Joshua Starr.

[Recent Supreme Court Decision and the Implications for Public Schools](#) with Derek Black and Jessica Levin.

[Democracy and Education: The Crisis of our Times](#) with David Berliner and Joel Westheimer

[Why Public Education is the Best Safety Net for Democracy](#) with James Harvey and Jimmy Minichello.

Future Podcasts

Artificial Intelligence
Equity and Leadership
Women in Leadership
The Supt's Necessary Skills
Equity and Opportunity
Lies and Myths: Obstructions to democracy and Education
As Good as it Gets

Podcast Committee: Bill Mathis, Jeanne Collins, Steve Gross, Kevin Riley, James Harvey, Jimmy Minichello, David Berliner & Jack McKay

Horace Mann League Awardees 1997 – 2023 OF=Outstanding Friend of Public Education.
 OE=Outstanding Public Educator. FL= Friend of the Horace Mann League.

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|  2022 OF Valerie Strauss, Journalist Wash. Post |  2004 OF Frosty Troy, Editor OK Observer |  2004 OE Julie Underwood NSBA & Past Pres |  2009 OF Ken Underwood Consultant |  2013 OF Mark Warner, US Senator Virginia |  2018 OE Kevin Welner, Dir. NEAP |  2004. FL Chad Wooley, Pres. HOST |  2009 OE Harry Wong, Author - Speaker |  2017 OE Yong Zhao, Professor, U. of Kansas | |

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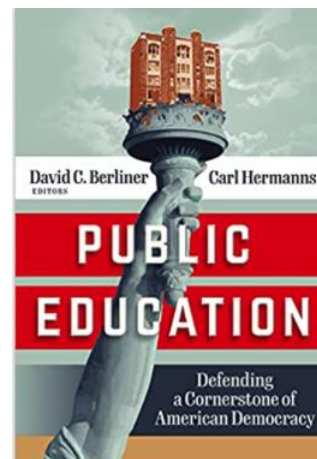
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