

LATINOS HOMESCHOOLING CONFERENCE

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SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2025

Malcolm X College 1900 W Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60612

Welcome to our 4th Annual Latinos Homeschooling Conference!

Today is more than just a gathering—it's a celebration of a community that is bold, forward-thinking, and deeply committed to designing a meaningful educational path for our children. This work is not always easy, but it is powerful. Each of us is choosing a different way, one that requires intention, courage, and vision. And together, we are shaping a future that reflects our values, our culture, and our dreams.

What began as a small homeschooling group and meetup in Chicago has grown into a national and even international movement. During the pandemic, families from all over the world came looking for connection and community. Some were new to homeschooling, others had been on the journey for years—but they were all looking for something more: a place where they and their children could feel seen.

Latinos Homeschooling became that place. A space where families could learn, grow, and reclaim the narratives of our people. We created programs like our Latino Studies Program—offering classes in Latino history, Spanish language development, and cultural studies—because we knew how important it was for our children to understand who they are and where they come from. We hope to continue growing these offerings because we know they're not just classes—they're tools for identity, pride, and legacy.

To all the families who have believed in this mission, thank you. To our sponsors, speakers, vendors, and everyone who traveled—whether from across the city or across the country—thank you for being here.

We may be diverse in many ways, but we are united by one powerful goal: to give our children the very best education, one that honors who they are and prepares them for who they are becoming. Welcome to this special celebration. We're so glad you're part of it.

Sincerely,

Gisela H. Quiñones
Founder, Latinos Homeschooling



PROGRAM FLOW

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**OPENING
REMARKS**

Gisela Quiñones-Founder

**KEYNOTE
SPEAKER**

Candice Pedraza Yamnitz

Morning Breakout Sessions

WORKSHOP

**Untangling Math: Getting
Comfortable with the Uncomfortable
with Maricela Treviño
(Family Workshop)**

WORKSHOP

**The Benefits of Interest Led
Learning
with April Huard (Main Room)**

WORKSHOP

**Build a Budget Workshop
with KCTCU Credit Union
(Youth Workshop ages 10 and
Up)**

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**LUNCH
KEYNOTE**

Will Estrada

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

WORKSHOP

**Let's Make a Mini Piñata
Maestra Brenda Mendoza
(Family Workshop)-Breakout
Room**

WORKSHOP

**Incorporating Culturally Relevant
Spanish Language & Bilingual
Books into Homeschool
Instruction with Laura Rodriguez-
Romani-Breakout Room**

WORKSHOP

**Overcoming Negative Self
Talk with Caleb Morato-Main
Room--Youth Workshop**

PANEL

**Post High School Options with
Representatives from Purdue
Northwest & RR Trade School-
Main Room**

**CLOSING
REMARKS**

**NIDIA MARRERO
THANKYOU**



SPEAKER LINEUP CONFERENCE 2025



“Maintaining Our Roots”

***Candice Pedraza
Yamnitz***



“Hostility Towards Homeschooling Rights”

Will Estrada



“Incorporating Culturally Relevant Spanish Language & Bilingual Books into Homeschool Instruction”

Laura Rodriguez-Romani



SPEAKER LINEUP CONFERENCE 2025



“Build a Budget Workshop”



“The Benefits of Interest Led Learning”

April Huard



Family Workshop: Creating a Mini Piñata

***Maestra Brenda
Mendoza***



SPEAKER LINEUP CONFERENCE 2025



***“Family Workshop: Untangling
Math Getting Comfortable with the
Uncomfortable”
Maricela Treviño***



***Youth Workshop: “Overcoming
Negative Self Talk”
Caleb Morato***

***Special End of Day Panel
Discussing Trade School & College
Options Post High School***





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