Welcome from the NADE 2013 Conference Planners

CoADE is delighted to host NADE's 37th Annual Conference at the Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel. The location in the heart of downtown Denver offers easy access to shops, restaurants, and tourist attractions. Our Cultural Heritage event in the new History Colorado Center is sure to provide a flavor of Denver and the West.

We have two exciting plenary speakers: Dr. Temple Grandin and Consuelo Castillo Kickbusch. Dr. Grandin teaches animal science at Colorado State University in Fort Collins and is in demand around the country and overseas as a speaker about her autism. Her work and life is inspirational, and we are fortunate that she accepted our invitation. Retired Lieutenant Colonel Consuelo Castillo Kickbusch will motivate and inspire us by her journey from growing up in a barrio in Laredo, Texas, to becoming the highest ranking Hispanic woman in the Army's Combat Support Command. On track to assume a command, she retired from the Army to honor her mother's dying wish that she return to her roots.

This year's theme, Pioneering the Education Frontier, relates to Developmental Education in multiple ways:

- NADE and its members—today's developmental educators (educational pioneers)—focus on the future of developmental education even as we examine the past to inform our pedagogy in the present (our frontier).
- Our students enter new and often unfamiliar territory as they pursue post-secondary education. Many will be the first in their families to earn or even pursue a degree. Many, especially recent high school graduates, find themselves pioneering the new paradigm of college expectations.
- Faculty, advisors, support programs, all serve as coaches and guides through the maze of this new terrain of education in our students' lives. Completion of the journey through the education frontier brings the possibility of achieving greater life opportunities.
- Finally, Pioneering the Education Frontier links to Colorado's rich history of exploration, our abundance of natural resources, the state's dramatic natural beauty, and Coloradoan independent thinking and eternal optimism—all of which collectively serve as a metaphor for the research, the philosophy, and the teaching which developmental education must continue to pioneer as we serve students—work that NADE supports, fosters, and guides.

We look forward to seeing you in Denver for NADE 2013!

Your Conference Co-Chairs,

Art Terrazas and Tina Getz

NADE 2013 Conference Team

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