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# Conference Schedule of Events

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023 | MIAMI SPRINGS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

**7:30 AM** **Vendor Exhibition Booths** - *First Floor*  
**Teacher Entrepreneur Fair** - *Cafeteria*

**8:30 AM** **Breakfast/Opening Session** - *Gymnasium*

**9:30 AM** **M-DCPS Leadership Remarks** - *Auditorium*  
**Keynote Address** - *Horacio Sanchez, CEO, Resiliency Inc.*

**10:30 -11:25 AM** **Session A Workshops**

**11:30 AM - 12:25 PM** **Session B Workshops**

**12:30 -1:50 PM** **Luncheon and Awards Presentation** - *Gymnasium*

- Linda Lecht, President, The Education Fund
- Franco Biasi, Suncoast Credit Union
- Leonardo Mouriño, 2023 Principal of the Year and Education Fund Board of Directors

## PRIZE DRAWINGS

**1:55 - 2:50 PM** **Session C Workshops**

**2:55 - 4:00 PM** **Session D Workshops**

**4:00 PM** **Conference Conclusion**

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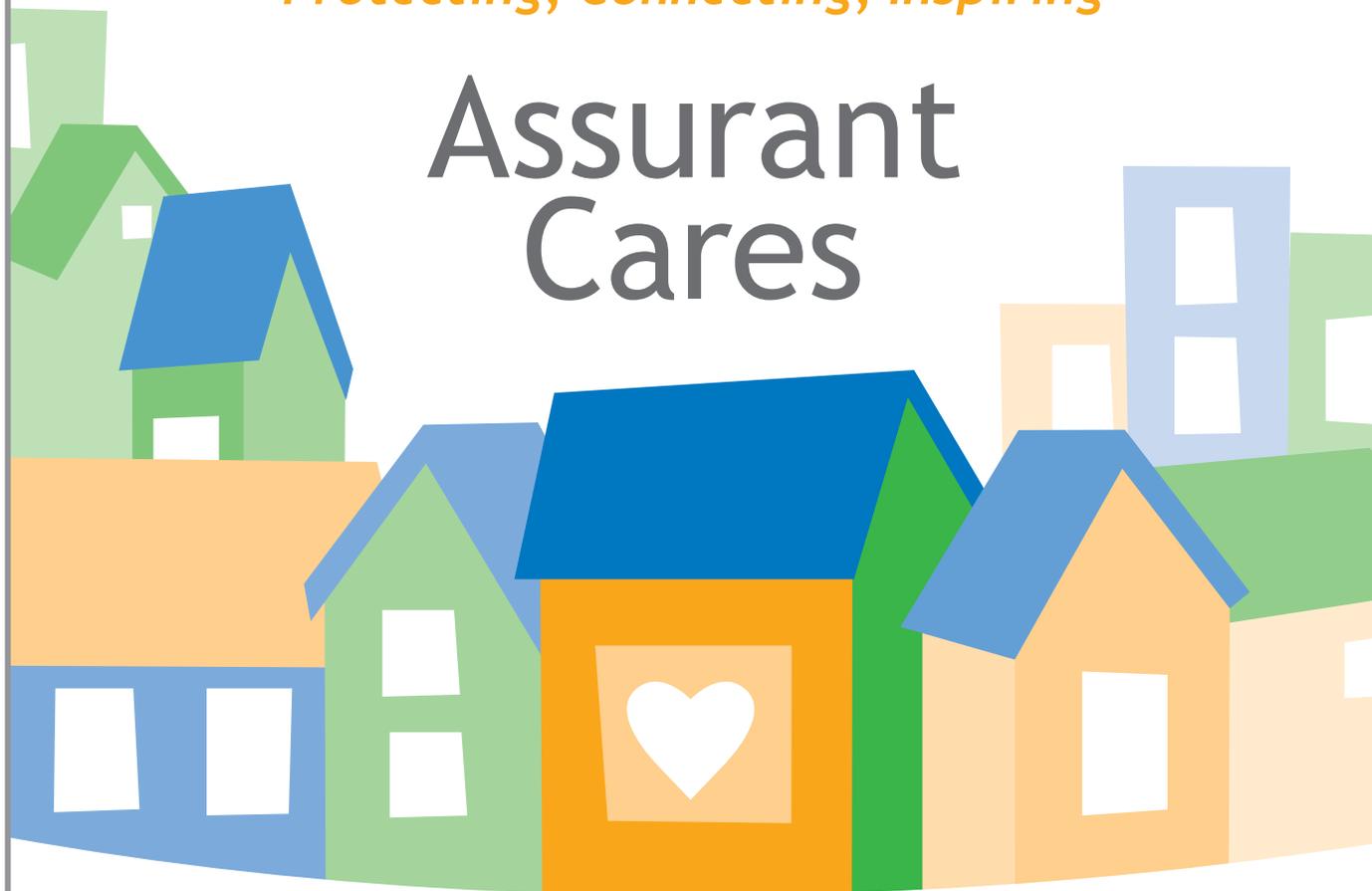
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# Horacio Sanchez

President and CEO  
Resiliency, Inc

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Horacio Sanchez is a highly sought-after educational consultant, helping schools learn to apply neuroscience to improve educational outcomes. He presents on diverse topics such as overcoming the impact of poverty, improving school climate, engaging in brain-based instruction, and addressing issues related to implicit bias. He is recognized as one of the nation's leading authorities on resiliency and applied brain science. Horacio has been a teacher, administrator, clinician, mental health director, and consultant to school districts across the United States. He is the author of the best-selling book, *The Education Revolution*, which applies brain science to improve instruction, behaviors, and school climate. His most recent book, *The Poverty Problem*, explains how education can promote resilience and counter poverty's impact on brain development and functioning.

## SPECIAL WORKSHOP

Mr. Sanchez will also present a special workshop, *Neuroscience Strategies for Effective Bilingual Instruction in Session A*. Learn new ways neuroscience research is improving the approach to bilingual education, including how to support students to overcome the stress of second language learning and the role of empathy in language comprehension.



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# Session A 10:30 AM - 11:25 AM

**All Aboard the Lego STEAM Express NEW**

Disseminator: Marcelle Farley  
Room: **186**

**Best Practices for Co-Teaching in a Mainstreamed Setting**

Presenter: Vanessa Radice  
Room: **116**

**Building Resilience Through Children's Literature NEW**

Disseminator: Tania Gordon  
Room: **110**

**City of Letters NEW**

Disseminator: Silvana Soriano  
Room: **124**

**Code and Create a Career**

Presenter: Michael Sakowicz  
Room: **108**

**Cricut Maker Makes the Class!**

Presenter: Daniella Parra  
Room: **185**

**Exploring the Microscopic World Outdoors with LCD Microscopes NEW**

Disseminator: Karen Gant  
Room: **117**

**Future Book Publishers NEW**

Disseminator: Ailyn Garciga  
Room: **112**

**The Legacy of the Holocaust NEW**

Disseminator: Dr. Jaqueline Torres-Quinones  
Room: **113**

**Life on Mars from a Kid's Perspective**

Presenter: Leilani Echezabal  
Room: **109**

**Marketing 101 NEW**

Disseminator: Natalie Garcia  
Room: **147**

**Mathematize the CLASS Way NEW**

Disseminator: Lianne Batlle-Baez  
Room: **149**

**Money Smart: Teaching Financial Literacy to Teens NEW**

Presenter: La-Shanda West  
Room: **142**

**Neuroscience Strategies for Effective Bilingual Instruction NEW**

Presenter: Horacio Sanchez  
Room: **Auditorium**

**Research for Gen Z**

Presenter: Stephanie Woolley-Larrea  
Room: **151**

**Resiliency Across Borders NEW**

Disseminator: Jaqueline Gil-Abarzua  
Room: **Media Center**

**Role Play the History Way NEW**

Disseminator: Renee O'Connor  
Room: **Little Theater**

**School Gardens 101 NEW**

Disseminators: Michael Carter and Bela Delgado  
Room: **152**

**Simplifying Teaching with AI NEW**

Disseminator: Dr. Jeannette Tejeda  
Room: **173**



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# Session B 11:30 AM - 12:25 PM

**Battle of the Sweets! NEW**

Disseminators: Becky Sponholtz and Jennifer Morganthal

Room: **152**

**Building Wealth in the Digital Age NEW**

Disseminator: Natalia Allen

Room: **108**

**Canva Creations NEW**

Disseminator: Janeth Velazquez

Room: **Auditorium**

**Change Everything w/o Changing Anything NEW**

Disseminator: Janette Perez

Room: **147**

**Crafting for Hope NEW**

Disseminator: Daniella Parra

Room: **185**

**De-Stress for the Test**

Presenter: Teresa Rodriguez

Room: **112**

**The Environment is the Third Teacher NEW**

Disseminator: Jennifer Pike-Vassell

Room: **124**

**Essential Oils**

Presenter: Alena Sheriff

Room: **186**

**History with Character! NEW**

Disseminator: Andre Toffoli

Room: **110**

**Kindness is Wonderful (Sprinkle That Stuff Everywhere!)**

Presenter: Leilani Echezabal

Room: **109**

**Mathsters of the Caclu-verse NEW**

Disseminator: Dr. Walter Busse

Room: **Media Center**

**Podcasting for Civic Engagement**

Disseminator: Asiah Wolfolk-Manning

Room: **117**

**Self-Driving to Success NEW**

Presenter: Shawn Waring

Room: **142**

**Simulations NEW**

Disseminator: Daniel Warlop

Room: **Media Center**

**Teaching Trunks on the Holocaust**

Presenter: Yara Lugo, FHM

Room: **116**

**Thinking Hexagonally NEW**

Disseminator: Stephanie Woolley-Larrea

Room: **151**

**VR + Art for Game Design**

Presenter: Mark Godinez

Room: **188**

**Writing About Miami**

Presenter: Dr. Precious Symonette

Room: **113**



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# Session C 1:55 PM - 2:50 PM

**Arduino! Bits, Bytes and Beyond! NEW**

Disseminator: Michael Sakowicz  
Room: **108**

**Be My Neighbor**

Presenter: Navia Gomez  
Room: **Media Center**

**Brain & Body Basics: Promoting Resiliency NEW**

Disseminator: Vanessa Radice  
Room: **147**

**The Conscious Classroom NEW**

Disseminator: Teresa Rodriguez  
Room: **112**

**Credit Card or Cash: What's the Actual Cost?**

Presenter: Natalia Allen  
Room: **173**

**Current Events for the Current Times**

Presenter: Stephanie Woolley-Larrea  
Room: **151**

**Demystifying Content Creation in Schoology NEW**

Disseminator: Zeny Ulloa  
Room: **Little Theater**

**ECO Sprouts: Recycled Plantable Seeded Paper NEW**

Disseminator: Susan Feliciano  
Room: **124**

**Electric Cars and Environmental Preservation NEW**

Disseminator: Dr. Renata Novak  
Room: **113**

**Flipping the Classroom with Edpuzzle**

Presenter: Gareth Pearson  
Room: **152**

**Geocaching – A Real Life Treasure Hunt! NEW**

Disseminator: Sheryl Henderson  
Room: **142**

**The Great Plankton Races NEW**

Disseminator: Oscar Flores  
Room: **110**

**National Board-Certified Teachers**

Presenter: Judith Grey  
Room: **149**

**Poppin' Boba Balls NEW**

Disseminator: Monica Duran  
Room: **185**

**Presentation-Based Learning NEW**

Presenter: Asiah Wolkfolk-Manning  
Room: **117**

**Pressed Flowers & Aromatherapy NEW**

Disseminator: Alena Sherriff  
Room: **186**

**Resources for Holocaust Education Week NEW**

Presenter: Yara Lugo, FHM  
Room: **116**

**Terrific Teaching through Technology**

Presenter: Nancy Sale  
Room: **109**



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# Session D 2:55 PM - 4:00 PM

**Ancient Attractions**

Presenter: Katia Calejo Mora  
Room: **108**

**Augmented Reality with Merge Cube**

Presenter: Zeny Ulloa  
Room: **Little Theater**

**Bank on It**

Presenter: La-Shanda West  
Room: **142**

**Butterfly Bonanza**

Presenter: Nancy Sale  
Room: **109**

**Concept Circles Revitalized NEW**

Disseminator: Judith Philius  
Room: **185**

**Coral City Camera NEW**

Disseminator: Kathleen Ortiz  
Room: **117**

**iCodeMe/Power of the Portrait**

Presenter: Lisa Hauser  
Room: **149**

**Leveraging AI for Good NEW**

Disseminator: Mark Godinez  
Room: **188**

**Lissy's Friend NEW**

Disseminator: Mayako Nakamura  
Room: **110**

**Podcasting for Young Learners**

Presenter: Navia Gomez  
Room: **Media Center**

**SAT Mathematics Demystified NEW**

Disseminator: Kelsey Major  
Room: **147**

**Seeing the C's of Resiliency NEW**

Disseminator: Dr. Precious Symonette  
Room: **113**

**SmartPath: Guide to College Clubs**

Presenter: Vanessa Gonzalez  
Room: **112**

**S.T.E.A.M.ed Fish 3-D Art Project NEW**

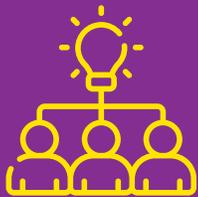
Disseminator: Peter Demercado  
Room: **124**

**Using Fiber Arts to Reach the Heart NEW**

Disseminator: Linda Telfer  
Room: **185**

**Wind Tunnel Engineering Applications**

Presenter: Rebeca Hernandez  
Room: **151**



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## Master Plan Points

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