



25<sup>th</sup> Annual

**L A T I N X**

GRADUATION &  
RECOGNITION  
CEREMONY

**JUNE 21, 2019**





## Hixtory y Nuestra Historia

In 1993, a De Anza student asked her club adviser, Olivia Patlan, why the college didn't recognize the success of its Latinx students. The answer was simply that there was no institutional mechanism for this acknowledgment.

The question prompted a small group of Latinx staff members to respond by organizing institutional support and creating a recognition ceremony that has evolved into an annual community celebration and testimonio to Latinx student success.

Founding organizers for this event included Sofia Abad, Alicia Cortez, Araceli Kaliangara, Virginia Marquez, Vicky Moreno, Olivia Patlan, Carmen Pereida, George Robles, Lupe Robles-Sane, Jose Luis Rueda, Sylvia Rueda, Roxana Ruglianchich, Selda Sigala-Aguilar and Lillian Zamora.

Over the past 25 years, with the support and dedication of the Latinx community at De Anza, the annual effort has grown to include the awarding of scholarships from the ADELA (Amigos De Educación Las Américas) Scholarship fund.

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En 1993, un estudiante le preguntó a su consejera de club, ¿"Porqué De Anza College no reconoce el éxito académico de los estudiantes Latinos?" La respuesta fue simple. El colegio no tenía un sistema de reconocimiento para los estudiantes Latinx.

Esta pregunta motivó a un grupo de empleados de De Anza College a crear un sistema de reconocimiento para los estudiantes Latinos. Así comenzó la "Ceremonia para el Reconocimiento de los Estudiantes Latinx."

Los fundadores de este comité fueron Sofia Abad, Alicia Cortez, Araceli Kaliangara, Virginia Marquez, Vicky Moreno, Olivia Patlan, Carmen Pereida, George Robles, Lupe Robles-Sane, Jose Luis Rueda, Sylvia Rueda, Roxana Ruglianchich, Selda Sigala-Aguilar y Lillian Zamora.

A medida que pasan los años, con el empeño y esfuerzo de la comunidad Latinx de De Anza College, este evento crece y en el presente incluye ADELA (Amigos De Educación Las Américas), una beca estudiantil.

*Remember that none succeed alone. Never walk alone in your future paths.*

– Sonia Sotomayor, U.S. Supreme Court Justice

*As my family story shows, Latinos have been a blessing for USA for many generations. The future of America depends in part on the success of the Latino community ...*

– Julián Castro, former San Antonio mayor and former U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development

## Bienvenidos

### Blessing Ceremony and Procession

Kalpulli Izkalli

### Opening

George Robles and Sylvia Rueda

### Welcome

Christina Espinosa-Pieb, Interim President

### Student Speaker

Manuel Alonzo Barrios

### ADELA Scholarships

Verónica Acevedo Avila

### Presentation of Scholarships in Memory of Florencia Guzmán Espinosa and Guadalupe Cortez

Ms. Espinosa-Pieb and Alicia Cortez

### Performance

Grupo Folklórico Los Lupeños

### Student Speaker

Perla Ayala Ramirez

### Awarding of Stoles and Certificates

Ms. Espinosa-Pieb, Mr. Robles, Ms. Rueda and  
Judy C. Miner, Chancellor, Foothill-De Anza Community College District

### Presentation of Graduating and Transferring Students

Ms. Espinosa-Pieb

### Reconocimientos and Closing

Mr. Robles and Ms. Rueda

### Reception on the Campus Center Patio

Mariachi Estelar and Jorge Rodríguez, former De Anza Puente student



# ¡Felicidades a Nuestros Graduados!

*(Italics indicate the institution to which the student is transferring)*

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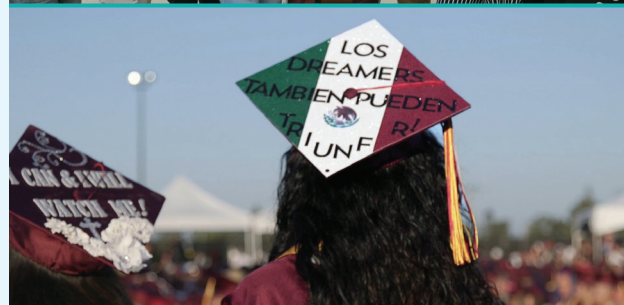
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