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Dear Readers of IDRA's Graduation for All newsletter: In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, we are sharing this special announcement with you in care of IDRA's newest e-letter, IDRA Education-News. Each occasional edition of IDRA E-News will bring you state and national updates, alerts, resources and education news you can use to help create schools that work for all children. If you would like to subscribe, please [sign up here](#). As always, we welcome your comments, ideas and input at gradforall@idra.org. Thanks for reading!

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, PBS to feature “Latinos in America: Your Neighbors, Your Family, Your Future.”

In March, IDRA president & CEO Dr. María “Cuca” Robledo Montecel joined a distinguished panel of national business and academic leaders to discuss “The Status of Latinos in America.” Moderated by Dr. Henry Cisneros, former San Antonio Mayor and Secretary of Housing and Urban Development under President Bill Clinton, the discussion was recorded live during the American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education national conference. The panel features critical insights about the significance of the growth of the Latino population, the future of education in the United States, and advice for President Obama given the current economic climate. Panelists included Ms. Aida Alvarez - Former Administrator, Small Business Administration; Ms. Lorraine Cortez-Vasquez - Secretary of State, New York; Mr. Ralph de la Vega - President & CEO, AT&T Mobility; Dr. Arturo Madrid - Distinguished Professor of the Humanities, Trinity University; Dr. María “Cuca” Robledo Montecel - President & CEO, IDRA; Mr. Antonio R. “Tony” Sanchez - Chairman & CEO, Sanchez Oil & Gas Exploration; Dr. Richard Tapia, Mathematician & Professor, Department of Computational and Applied Mathematics, Rice University; and Mr. Solomon “Sol” Trujillo, Chief Executive Officer, Telstra, Sydney, Australia.

The panel will be aired this fall as “Latinos in America: Your Neighbors, Your Family, Your Future” on twenty-two PBS stations. Check your [local PBS station](#) for schedules.

To learn more...

Visit the AAHHE summary report of the panel online at:
www.idra.org/images/stories/The_Status_of_Latinos_in_America.pdf

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