



MASBA

MEXICAN-AMERICAN SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ASSOCIATION



MASBA June e-Newsletter

Armando Rodriguez
MASBA President
Canutillo ISD

Dear MASBA Members, Sponsors & Community,

It is an honor and a privilege to announce the MASBA 2017 Golden Molcajete Award recipients. This year's honorees is the Castro Family. The molcajete is and has always been a major utensil in the homes and kitchens of Mexican American and Hispanic families. Without the proper mixing of the necessary ingredients in a molcajete, which come together to make the perfect salsa, the meal is not complete. And so the "Golden Molcajete" award for MASBA, symbolizes the coming together of the proper ingredients necessary to attain a major accomplishment(s).

In addition to her many personal accomplishments, Rosie Castro helped secure opportunities for her sons to achieve accomplishments of their own.

Earning degrees from Stanford University and Harvard Law School, being elected the mayor of San Antonio and on to the administrative team of President Barrack Obama and the Texas House of Representatives to a U.S. Congressman; Julián and Joaquín Castro have both certainly achieved major accomplishments.

The Castro family always humbly credit their many accomplishments to faith and family ... and to the importance of education.

Congratulations to all the MASBA Member student scholarship recipients [see below]. MASBA has awarded \$50,000 in student scholarships over the last 4 years.

MASBA will be presenting, **Advocating for Student Success and Equity: MASBA's Story**, at SLI South and North on each respective **Thursday, from 11:15 to 12:30 p.m.** Our session will focus on responsible trustees who want each and every student to succeed and have a rewarding and fulfilling life. This discussion with MASBA (Mexican-American School Board Members Association) leaders will focus on what you can do in your district to maximize the learning of Mexican-American students, as well as each of your students. We invite board members to bring ideas for improvement, share their district's success stories, talk about challenges and consider proven governance practices to serve your students. MASBA has been advocating quality education for over 40 years. Learn how you can engage in legislative advocacy and future initiatives of the organization.

We hope to see you all at SLI this year. Safe travels.

Best Regards,

Armando Rodriguez
MASBA 2017 President

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CONGRATULATIONS!



**MASBA 2017 Golden Molcajete Award
Recipients**



The Castros

CONGRATULATIONS!
**MASBA 2017 Member District
Student Scholarship Recipients**



Jessica Espinoza
Hays CISD

Roma Gallardo
Gonzales ISD

Austin Silva
Ricardo ISD

Josias Lemuel Bahena
Marisa Nicole Ochoa
South Texas ISD

Josue Huerta
Manor ISD

Amanda Alexis Gomez
San Benito CISD



Huckabee



MASBA
Education Service Center (ESC)
Members:



Paula Payson
Kirida McDaniels
Austin ISD

Tristen S. Posas
Raymondville ISD



Deanna L. Ritchie Gutierrez
Socorro ISD

Malia Ashley McNair
Michael Guillen
Alana Chappell
El Paso ISD

Ryley Priddy
Alice ISD

Esteban Manuel Vera Chavez
Edinburg CISD

Elisa Lysette Martinez
Taft ISD

SAVE THE DATE

June 15-17, 2017
[SLI South - San Antonio](#)

June 16, 2017
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

MASBA Board of Director's Summer Meeting
The Patio Room - Menger Hotel

7:00p.m. to Midnight



2017 Molcajete Award Ceremony
Special Recognition Presentation



MASBA **Executive Board**

[Armando Rodriguez](#)
President
Canutillo ISD (REG 19)

[Homero Garcia](#)
President - Elect
South Texas ISD (REG 1)

[David Espinosa](#)
Vice President
Grand Prairie ISD (REG 10)

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2018 Annual Conference Co-Chair
Hays CISD (REG 13)

[Irene Galan-Rodriguez](#)
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Big Spring ISD (REG 18)

Board of Directors

[Ricardo Gutierrez](#)
Region One ESC

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[Larry Perez](#)
Waco ISD (REG12)

[Mike Rosales](#)
Ysleta ISD (REG 19)

[Diane Davila](#)
Houston ISD (REG 4)

[Xavier Herrera](#)
Stafford MSD (REG 4)

[Orlando Flores](#)
Fabens ISD (REG 19)

[Michael Vargas](#)
San Benito ISD (REG 1)



MASBA recognizes Manuel Rodriguez, Jr., Houston ISD & Viola Garcia, Aldine ISD for over ten years of service and dedication to MASBA.

8:00 p.m. to Midnight



ENTERTAINMENT BY ROGER VELASQUEZ & LEGENDZ

June 22-24, 2017
[SLI North - Fort Worth](#)
Omni – Ft. Worth
Thursday, June 22 – 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.
MASBA Summer Reception - North

June 22-24, 2017

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2018 Annual Conference Co-Chair
MASBA Past-President
Houston ISD (REG 4)



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About MASBA

The Mexican American School Board Members Association (MASBA) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Our members are school districts, their board members/trustees, administrators and education service centers.

The mission of the Mexican American School Board Members Association is to:

- Make high quality education possible to ALL students.
- Increase parental and community participation in public governance.
- Improve academic achievement.
- Advocate for equitable school finance.



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FOR THE
2017 LATINO POLITICAL CONVENTION

JUNE 22-24, 2017 | DALLAS, TX

The NALEO 34th Annual Conference will take place at a critical time, with our nation's Latino public officials navigating a rapidly changing national political and policy environment.

Latino policymakers will have a unique opportunity to meet with their colleagues from all levels of government to address the most pressing policy issues, challenges and opportunities facing our communities and our nation. Participants will receive vital professional development training that will ensure that they are able to be effective leaders in this climate.

October 6-8, 2017

[TASA/TASB](#)

Dallas, TX

Hispanic Heritage Award

February 21-25, 2018

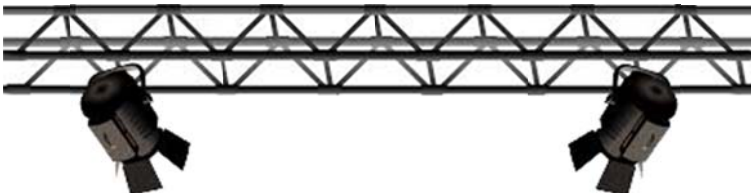
MASBA Annual Conference & Expo

Air-Port Hilton

San Antonio, TX

La Campana Award

MASBA PARTNER SPOTLIGHT



TASB Energy Cooperative



As a member of the TASB Energy Cooperative, you can meet bidding requirements for electricity procurement and earn a competitive rate for your load. If you are interested in securing a fixed rate for transportation fuel amidst the ever-changing cost of gasoline, we also provide a Fuel Pool, wherein you receive a fixed rate over the life of your contract. [Learn more](#) about membership benefits.

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program

TASB can assist with energy-saving programs and increase efficiency. [Learn more](#) about our energy services.

Transportation Fuel Pool

Accurately budget your fuel expenditures and decrease the effects of market volatility by joining the [TASB Fuel Program](#).

Attention MASBA Member School Districts

20th
Annual Conference
Call for Presentations
DEADLINE: August 5, 2017

The Mexican American School Board Members Association (MASBA) invites you to submit a [Break Out Session Application](#) to present at the 2018 MASBA Annual Conference & Expo which will be held at the **San Antonio Airport Hilton, San Antonio, TX February 21-25, 2018.**

MASBA is looking for Member School District presenters to educate, train, and provide board members with the information and resources necessary to better understand, prepare and equip school districts to move into the 21st Century instruction, best practices and measurable advocacy action.

We also welcome presentations which support the mission of the Mexican American School Board Members Association as it relates to:

- **Making high quality education possible to ALL students;**
- **Increasing parental and community participation in public governance;**
- **Improving academic achievement; and,**
- **Advocating equitable school finance.**

These areas of curriculum and study are essential in order to be successful in our ever changing global economy. In addition, we welcome proposed presentations in any area of best practices which have been successful and have had a significant and positive impact in the public education of children and are in accord with the mission of MASBA.

[2018 MASBA Annual Conference](#)
[Break Out Session Application](#)
