Agenda

8 a.m.  
**Registration and Breakfast**

8:30 a.m.  
**Welcome and Presentation**  
*Samuel J. Meisels*, Founding Executive Director, Richard D. Holland Presidential Chair in Early Childhood Development, Buffett Early Childhood Institute  

*Suzeanne Le Menestrel*, Senior Program Officer, Board on Children, Youth and Families, The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

8:45 a.m.  
**Keynote Presentation: Promoting the Educational Success of Children and Youth Learning English: Promising Futures**  
*Ruby Takanishi*, Senior Research Fellow, Education Policy Program, New America

9:15 a.m.  
**Plenary 1 – Research**  
*Eugene Garcia*, Professor of Education Emeritus, Mary Lou Fulton College of Education, Arizona State University  

*Dekow Sagar*, Coordinator of the International Center of the Heartland, Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska

10:15 a.m.  
**Break**

10:30 a.m.  
**Plenary 2 – Practice**  
*Cristina Gillanders*, Associate Professor, School of Education and Human Development, University of Colorado, Denver  

*Michelle Suarez*, Early Childhood Developer, Prosper Lincoln

11:30 a.m.  
**Lunch**

12:30 p.m.  
**Plenary 3 – Workforce**  
*Marlene Zepeda*, Professor Emeritus, Department of Child and Family Studies, College of Health and Human Services, California State University, Los Angeles  

*Stephanie Wessels*, Associate Professor, College of Education and Human Sciences, University of Nebraska–Lincoln

1:30 p.m.  
**Plenary 4 – Policy**  
*Delia Pompa*, Senior Fellow for Education Policy, Migration Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.  

*Linda Hix*, Director of Federal Programs, Lincoln Public Schools

2:15 p.m.  
**Break**

2:45 p.m.  
**Panel Discussion**  
**Moderated by Samuel J. Meisels**, Founding Executive Director, Richard D. Holland Presidential Chair in Early Childhood Development, Buffett Early Childhood Institute  

*Eugene Garcia*, Professor of Education Emeritus, Mary Lou Fulton College of Education, Arizona State University  

*Cristina Gillanders*, Associate Professor, School of Education and Human Development, University of Colorado, Denver  

*Cheryl Logan*,Incoming Superintendent, Omaha Public Schools  

*Delia Pompa*, Senior Fellow for Education Policy, Migration Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.  

*Marlene Zepeda*, Professor Emeritus, Department of Child and Family Studies, College of Health and Human Services, California State University, Los Angeles

3:45 p.m.  
**Closing Comments**  
*Ruby Takanishi*, Senior Research Fellow, Education Policy Program, New America

4 p.m.  
**Reception**