

Resume for Ricardo Mireles

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Charter School Experience

July 12, 2004 to Present

Academia Avance, Los Angeles, California

Founder and Executive Director

Responsible for the overall mission, vision and development of a 6th-12th grade charter public school in the Northeast Los Angeles neighborhood of Highland Park which opened in the Fall of 2005. Current enrollment is about 300 students across two school sites. Responsible for all operations on an annual budget of over \$7 million with a FTE staff count of five dozen. Responsible for all communications with the governance board of the school, and with all external oversight agencies and partnerships. Have overseen upgrades to the main building of the school that total over \$2 million. Successfully directed the charter renewal process via appeal to the Los Angeles County Board of Education in 2010, then again via the State Board of Education in 2015 and 2020. Advocate to advance charter school policies at the state and national levels.

November 18, 2004 to January 31, 2005

California Charter Schools Association, Los Angeles, California

Community Outreach Consultant

Represented the Association for the San Diego City Schools Superintendent's NCLB Program Improvement Year 4 Reconstitution project. Designed and managed the parent signature collection campaigns for Keiller Middle School (600 initial students) and Gompers Middle School (1000 initial students).

October 18, 2003 to July 5, 2004

California Charter Schools Association, Los Angeles, California

Technology Services and Products, Director

Oversaw the launch of the new charter school member association with three statewide offices and 24 initial staff. Managed the development of the Association's initial web-site, and oversaw the initiation of all communications systems (telephone, voice-mail, email), information systems, and the contracted desktop support services.

Information System Experience

March 17, 2000 to October 17, 2003

Los Angeles Unified School District Facilities Services Division, Los Angeles, California

Facilities Information Systems, Director

Built a team of information systems specialist to manage the systems needed to support the LAUSD Facilities Services Division central staff operations. The team was launched with 3 staff to support 50 desktops in 2000. By 2003 the responsibilities had expanded to design, build or integrate, and maintain the central servers for the New Construction project, now a \$14 billion dollar school construction initiative. Direct technical support was provided for over 600 desktop systems. Central applications were developed and implemented for:

- The public project status reporting via the Internet at LASchools.org
- The Real Estate Acquisition Database, used to manage \$1.4 billion in transactions
- The Facilities Integrated Reporting System that presented for the first time the anticipated costs with the actual expenditures and actual year budgets of both the modernization and new construction projects. The data was synchronized from the official LAUSD accounting system.

All three system were developed on the same web-based infrastructure leveraging previous development and systems investment. Direct management responsibilities grew to a staff of over 20 direct employees and consultants, with an annual budget over \$5 million.

February 1994 to February 2000

Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Los Angeles, California

Senior GIS Specialist

Developed and implement numerous tools for the evaluation of spatial and non-spatial data in support of the Regional Planning team.

Teaching Youth/Leadership Development Experience

Spring Quarter of 1997 and 1998

University of California, Los Angeles, California

School of Public Policy and Social Research, Lecturer

Prepared and delivered the Advanced GIS course for the Masters Program students in Urban Planning. The 10 week course organized the students into teams to complete real spatial analysis projects for local city planning departments (e.g.: West Covina, Carson, South El Monte).

Summer of 1993

Coro Foundation, New York City, New York

Youth Leadership Program Co-Trainer

Co-developed and co-lead an experiential based program for sixteen 12 to 16 year old students, with the objective of them becoming future board members for the community based organization Banana Kelly in the South Bronx.

September 1998 to August 1989

INROADS, Inc., Los Angeles, California

Administrative Assistant

Coordinated the recruitment, training and assessment data for all interns and corporate clients.

August 1987 to July 1988

Don Bosco Technical Institute, Rosemead, California

Electronics Instructor

Developed and presented a 10 week course for the incoming 9th graders as an introduction to electronics technology.

Education

September 1990 to May 1993

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, School of Architecture and Planning

Student in the Masters in City Planning Program

Course work within the Community Development and Planning Support Systems concentrations. Thesis research and analysis on residential segregation of Latinos in Los Angeles from 1980 to 1990 using US Census data and Geographic Information Systems. Degree not obtained.

September 1989 to July 1990

Coro Foundation, New York City, New York

Public Affairs Fellow

May 1997

Columbia College, New York City, New York

Bachelors Degree in Anthropology

May 1983

Don Bosco Technical Institute, Rosemead, California

Associate in Science Degree in Electronics Technology

Civic Associations

August 2010 to Present

Los Angeles County Charter SELPA

Los Angeles, California

Executive Council, Chair (2014 to 2021)

July 2018 to Present

Coalition for Independent Charter Schools (CPICS)

Los Angeles

Board of Directors, Founding Chair

April 2019 to Present

Freedom Coalition for Charter Schools

National

Board of Directors, Founding Member

June 2009 to 2021

Inclusive Action for the City
(previously LURN)

Los Angeles

Board of Directors, Vice Chair

August 2002 to 2016

United Latino Fund

Los Angeles, California

Board of Trustees, Chair

January 2010 to 2018

OneLA/IAF

Los Angeles, California

Board of Directors

Fluent in English and Spanish

Reference available upon request.