April 19, 2017

Dear Teachers and Administrators:

We are thrilled to invite you to participate in a math leadership professional development project. The Leadership Development for Culturally Responsive Mathematics Education in TUSD project will prepare sites to infuse culturally responsive practices into the teaching of mathematics. This project is a collaboration with the University of Arizona's Mathematics department of Mathematics as well as the College of Education's Educational Leadership Program. Our two collaborators from the University are:

- Dr. Marta Civil, Professor of Mathematics and Teaching/Learning and Sociocultural Studies, as well as the Roy F. Graesser Endowed Chair
- Dr. Lynnette Brunderman, Professor of Practice in Educational Leadership and coordinator for the Principal/Superintendent certification programs

We will kick off this project with an introduction session on **Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-12:30 at LIRC** (2025 E Winsett).

The goals for the project will be to:

- o Understand how to extract Funds of Knowledge in today's diverse classroom
- Recognize language registers in pedagogy and instructional systems
- o Examine math curriculum development based on Social Justice principles
- o Analyze TUSD math curriculum and methods to increase cultural diversity

We will then have an exciting summer seminar with guest speaker Rico Gutstein as well as begin the formation of Professional Learning Community with Dr. Brunderman.

The summer session will be from Monday June 12th -Wednesday June 14th.

- Monday June 12<sup>th</sup> Opening session from 3:00pm-6:00pm.
- Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup> 8:30am-3:30pm
- Wednesday June 14th 8:30am-3:30pm

Participants will be compensated \$25/hour for all project activities.

This project will continue into the 2017-2018 school year and will include opportunities for teachers to learn more about Culturally Responsive Mathematics Education, try things in their classrooms with support and share ideas so as to develop a core of teachers within TUSD that are leaders in Culturally Responsive Mathematics Education.

If you are interested in participating, please email <a href="mailto:Heidi.Arandi@tusd1.org">Heidi.Arandi@tusd1.org</a> or Dr. Marta Civil <a href="mailto:civil@math.arizona.edu">civil@math.arizona.edu</a> or Dr. Lynette Brunderman <a href="mailto:lbrunder@email.arizona.edu">lbrunder@email.arizona.edu</a>