Querida familia ALAS,

Thank you for joining us in Denver for the 23rd Annual ALAS National Summit on Education. Together, we didn't just talk about Elevating Excellence. We lived it!

As I said from the stage, this Summit belonged to all of us, and our gratitude goes out to many:

• Our ALAS Board of Directors - thank you for your vision, stewardship and trust.

• Our superintendents, district and school leaders, aspiring leaders, and educators in attendance - thank you for bringing your stories, questions, and courage into every room.

• Our partners - thank you for your investment which makes this gathering possible and for your commitment to our students which goes far beyond having your logo on a banner.

• Our keynote speakers, panelists, and presenters - thank you for sharing your expertise and your hearts.

• Our state affiliate leaders - thank you for carrying this work home to every corner of the country.

• Our host community in Denver and the COALAS familia - thank you for your warm welcome, por hacernos sentir en casa and for kicking our Summit off with such energy.

• Our ALAS staff and volunteers - thank you for working so tirelessly behind the scenes so every moment felt seamless.

We gather each year because our students deserve leaders who see them, reflect them, and fight for them. What we built together in Denver will strengthen the pipeline of Latino education leaders that our communities need now more than ever.

In the coming days, watch for session resources, photos, and a short feedback survey. Your voice will help shape our next Summit. Until then, stay connected through your state affiliate and the ALAS Membership / Member Portal, and keep the conversations from Denver alive in your districts.

Thank you for answering the call. Thank you for choosing excellence. And thank you for being familia. Juntos, seguimos adelante.

Con gratitude,

Ulysses Navarrete

Executive Director, ALAS