## Elba Montalvo Founder & President/CEO Committee for Hispanic Children & Families (CHCF)

Elba Montalvo states that basing admissions decisions to NYC's elite high schools based solely on a high-stakes test defies common sense and deprives many Latino students of the opportunity these specialized high schools and the high quality educational opportunities and life- changing experiences they offer, which detrimentally impacts the Latino community, and our society at large.

Ms. Montalvo who started as a teacher in the New York City public school system is the Founder & President/CEO of the Committee for Hispanic Children & Families (CHCF). The mission of CHCF created in 1982 has always been to improve the quality of life for Latino children and families. Through a variety of educational programs, trainings and services, CHCF provides families with the skills and information they need to succeed in life. CHCF also gives Latino families and children a voice by engaging in advocacy on legislation and policies that affects their lives and well-being.