



The Career Focus Luncheon...

26 years of leading our students into a strong future!



Join other business leaders on Wednesday, May 1st and/or Thursday, May 2nd, 2019 to make a difference in the lives of more than 2,000 Utica Community Schools sixth graders at **The Palazzo Grande**, 54660 Van Dyke, Shelby Township.

The Career Focus Luncheon is sponsored by the UCS Foundation for Educational Excellence in partnership with Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce and in cooperation with Utica Community Schools. Its purpose is to introduce students entering young adulthood to a variety of career options. Through your involvement, they will have a better idea of the skills they will need to succeed in life after high school graduation.



PATRICIA LOPEZ
President, Rose-A-Lee Technologies

Keynote Speaker: Ms. Patricia Lopez, President, Rose-A-Lee Technologies (RAL). Among a long list of distinctions, Ms. Lopez is recognized as a *Notable Woman in Manufacturing 2018* and one of *100 Successful Women in Business 2019*. Her unique insight of the Automotive and Defense sector has prepared her to become an influential community leader. Ms. Lopez co-founded RAL with Ms. Jennifer Howard in 2013, manufacturing projectiles, ballistic grilles, seating structures, and more for the Department of Defense. RAL has since expanded to provide engineering and state-of-the-art manufacturing across multiple industries, including automotive.

Ms. Lopez is an accomplished Michigan entrepreneur and is dedicated to increasing female participation and leadership in manufacturing and STEM as well as creating exciting opportunities for all skilled U.S. manufacturing workers. She expertly balances her career and community obligations alongside her personal life; which includes the daunting task of raising two beautiful children to hopefully one day even surpass her contribution to the community.

How to get involved: Be a sponsor and share your expertise with a table of ten students. The luncheon allows business and community mentors to share both post-secondary and career experiences with UCS 6th grade students. The students will also be waiting to share their own dreams and aspirations with you, their professional role model for the luncheon.

What does it take? Just complete the registration form on our website or on the back of this document and email or mail it to us to hold your reservation. Email to: email@ucsfoundation.org ~ Office phone number 586-797-6953.



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