## YIC (Youth in College) conference "SUPERATE" to Help Prevent Alcohol and Drugs, Family Violence & Racism

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**DCET/Believe in Yourself, Inc.** is again bringing world famous public figures like TONY MELENDEZ - The purpose of this conference is also to exhort youth to stay in school and go to college. This event will link audience with Internationally famous artist <u>Tony Melendez</u>, a Nicaraguan American Singer, Composer, Guitarist and Writer who was borne without arms. His mother took Thalidomide while pregnant which caused his disability. Melendez sings the songs he composed accompanied by his guitar which he plays with his feet.



On September 15, 1987, Melendez sang "Never Be the Same" performing in a special presentation for Pope John Paul II, the Pope descended from his chair kissed Tony's head embracing him and saying: "Tony my wish to you, is to continue of giving this hope to all of the people." This inspired him to help and dedicate his life to help others. His special common sense approach is based on human quality. Tony Melendez exhorts his audience to live their lives respecting moral and family values. He is capable to inspire others to change their lives for the best potential outcome.

"SUPERATE" is proudly presented by DCET, Inc. a 501©3 nonprofit organization. Executive Director and Founder Elvia Wallace-Martinez, says: our annual conferences "YOUTH IN COLLEGE" are aimed to educate youth and their families about prevention/overcoming Drugs and Alcohol Addiction and Family Violence and Racism while exhorting students to never leave school and go to college. The SUPERATE Motivational Musical Presentation with Tony Melendez is an example of the great Educational and Health programs organized by DCET.

**DCET** Executive Board member, Felipe Lezama comments, "Throughout these past 22 years it has been our pleasure to bring to Texas educational programs that help families succeed. Proceeds from this YIC (Youth in College) Musical/Inspirational conference will go towards the expansion of our ESL, GED, Computer Literacy and Citizenship classes and Prep-College programs in 2018-19 and will also assist our Platón Lerma Scholarship Fund to help senior high school students reach college. We are proud to be of assistance to our community, especially to senior people who need help in learning how to read and write- Supporting literacy and mentoring, helps bring productive members of society benefiting our country."

"SUPERATE" is sponsored by Savers Cost Plus Supermarket, Law offices of Jaime Barron, Mi Pueblo Services and - Media support is sponsored by: Telemundo Radio stations: 1270 AM, 94.1 FM, 107.1/107.9FM, 99.1FM.

This important conference on virtues and family values will start at <u>6:30pm on Saturday, February 03rd at Uptown Theater in Grand Prairie</u>. Tickets start from \$35.00 - \$50. Buy online <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/">https://www.eventbrite.com/</a> - This Motivational and Musical Presentation includes a professional children's choir entertainment during intermission. For ticketing information, call: 972-669-5035 - Media representatives you can send us an e-mail to: <a href="mailto:dcenti1@sbcglobal.net">dcenti1@sbcglobal.net</a> - Photos and phone interviews are available upon request. For more information, call: 214-587-1983 or send us a text.

**The DCET Mission** is to provide literacy programs, workforce development programs, and other educational and cultural initiatives for underserved, low-income, Hispanic/Latino youth, and their families in their process of assimilation and acculturation. By serving these people, they become more productive members of society. Please Visit our website www.dcenti.org

## **Pictures of Tony Melendez**















