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Who's Who

Do You Know Consuelo Kickbusch?

Do you know Lt. Col. Consuelo Castillo Kickbusch, founder of Educational Achievement Services, Inc. and the highest-ranking Hispanic woman in the U.S. Army Combat Support Field?

What challenges have you faced in pursuing a college education?

I work extensively with students across the country and all too often, especially with first generation students, "You simply don't know what you don't know." A college could be nearby and may offer a wealth of support. But many young people, often blinded by innocent ignorance, believe college is unattainable. I believe another major factor is not having a vision early in your life and preparing yourself to realize that vision.



In my personal experience, cultural implications can be another obstacle. My parents were quite concerned about what I would become after leaving "la familia" to go to this strange place that they could not relate to. I had to take a courageous stand against my own mother's wish, with the support of my father, to seek higher education. I faced an emotional decision about whether or not to go work to help my parents, who desperately needed the financial support, or to spend several years pursuing an education. This is a battle that still exists for many students today. How do you reconcile and prioritize the very strong reality of an economic need and the wish to better yourself?

I also faced the obstacle of feeling so isolated and finding myself in a different culture, a different environment and believing that's where I belonged.

How do your experiences and background help you inspire future leaders?

I consider myself a servant leader—I serve others first. My ideology, along with my transparency and authenticity, inspires many who listen to my story of struggle, discrimination and illiteracy to believe that