Dr. Porras will discuss some of the more critical issues facing education at both the state and national level, as well as the extent to which research theory impacts what actually goes on in schools. He will also address how recent changes in the administration have and will alter the life of schools, teachers, students and their communities. Some topics include: Protections and Concerns for Undocumented Families, the New State Accountability System, local control of funding (LCAP/LCFF), teacher/admin shortage (especially in hard to fill areas), prop 58, access to technology in schools and associated impacts to students/families in poverty, NEXT General Science Standards, Prop 98, the Governor's Budget, and the shift to a growth mindset in teaching the Common Core.

**Wednesday, March 15th, 2017 11:30pm–12:30pm** McHenry 0266 (Ground Floor). Getting there: Turn left after the walking bridge. Use the entry down the stairway near the picnic tables. Alternatively, you can take the elevator from the first floor. There will be a Brown Bag Lunch with Dr. Porras after the talk.