



*Hello! My name is Monica Parra and this is my second year working for the Community Room at Montbello High School. I am from Guadalajara, the second largest city in Mexico, where I got my B.A. in Communications and Public Relations. After college, I worked in Public Relations in several organizations and companies. During that time, I also traveled and lived in different places around Canada and in California. Even though my profession drastically changed when I moved to Denver, I have always been passionate about education, for that reason I volunteered at Ashley Elementary School and Munroe Elementary School (Denver Public Schools), before I started working at Montbello High School. In both places I had incredible experiences that changed my life and my goals, and now I am interested in continue my professional growth within the education field, and probably being a teacher in a near future.*

*Working at Montbello has helped me to better understand the High School students' psychology and behavior, since my main interest is to help them not only to graduate, but to help them being successful in a world where the work field competition is enormous. I strongly believe that education is the key for the success of any human being; and as a Latina, I would be very proud of helping minorities to move forward, breaking stereotypes and outlines for our own development, just like any other person of any other race. I try to promote, with students and the parents that visit us, not only tolerance towards all cultures and diverse ways of life that a person may choose; I also try to promote the continuous learning of those differences, for the acceptance of each other.*

*My fundamental intention working in a public school in Denver is to build community, since I believe that we have the responsibility to help each other, as human beings, to live in a healthy and prosperous environment.*

*I will be very happy to assist you in anything concerning your children's education on the phone at (720)423-5889, by e-mail at [monica\\_parracastellano@dpsk12.org](mailto:monica_parracastellano@dpsk12.org), or directly at my office in Room 211.*

*Thank you for your interest in our office, and I hope to see you soon!*

*Monica Parra-Castellano*