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Reyes has co-authored three books: *Diary of a Bilingual School* (with James Crawford; DiversityLearningK12, 2012); *Teaching in Two Languages: A Guide for K-12 Bilingual Educators* (with Tatyana Kleyn; Corwin, 2010); and *Constructivist Strategies for Teaching English Language Learners* (with Trina Vallone; Corwin, 2008). Her publications also include peer-reviewed journal articles, a peer-reviewed book chapter, magazine articles, curriculum guides, and program reviews.

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Since 1999, Reyes has worked directly with K–12 schools serving low-income communities to improve curriculum and instruction in ESL, dual immersion, transitional bilingual education, and literacy. Her consulting has included developing, guiding, and evaluating programs; providing teachers with field support and professional development workshops on site; and working closely with school administrators to facilitate these efforts.

She has presented in her field locally, nationally, and internationally, and has served as an educational consultant in school districts throughout the United States. Her current research interests include the preparation of educators and educational leaders for diverse classrooms and educational contexts, constructivist practice in ELL contexts, and bilingual schooling.