The College of Education invites you to celebrate the beginning of the new school year at First Lecture. This year, we welcome John Kuhn, Superintendent and educational activist, as speaker.

John Kuhn is a passionate educator and one of the most eloquent champions of students, teachers, and public education. Kuhn gained attention for his oft-quoted “Alamo Letter,” modeled after the famous letter William Barret Travis sent from the Alamo before it fell in 1836, where he vowed to never surrender in the fight for his students. He has written two books about education reform: Test-and-Punish: How the Texas Education Model Gave America Accountability without Equity and Fear and Learning in America: Bad Tests, Good Data, and the Attack on Public Education.