# Celebration of Excellence Teacher of the Month

# FLM - Susana Grande-Valencia

**College attended:** I studied Escuela Normal Superior de Hidalgo, México which is a college that specializes in training and educating teachers.

Years in education: 10 years in USA.

Who is your greatest supporter/inspiration? God is the foundation of my life. My family is my greatest blessing and the engine to grow and move forward, no matter the obstacles to face.

Why did you choose to become an educator? Since I was a child I knew I was good at teaching others. But when I started working in a classroom I realized that was my gift and my passion.



# What makes a good teacher?

A good teacher is not someone who has the perfect class where everyone learns and behaves, but someone who regardless of having an imperfect class discovers the strength of each student and makes them work together to get the best of them.

# A career in education means constant growth. What is one area in which you wish to improve?

I would like to take a specialization in plastic and visual arts in order to improve my skills as a teacher because art nourishes the children's lives.

### What do you love about CISD?

I consider this District to be primarily humane. They help you grow as a person and as an educator.

## From around campus:

"She is hard worker"

"She always goes above and beyond to help her co workers out. Susana always has a smile on her face."