



# SAN FELIPE DEL RIO CISD

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## **IDALIA CASTELLANOS NAMED REGION 15 ELEMENTARY TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

Officials at the Education Service Center Region 15 has notified SFDR CISD that Ms. Idalia Castellanos, a kindergarten teacher assigned to Dr. Lonnie Green Elementary School has been selected as the 2021 Region 15 Teacher of the Year. Laura Strube, Deputy Director for ESC 15 stated, “We are extremely honored to have her represent our region at the state level.”

Ms. Castellanos will be among 40 regional Teachers of the Year who will be considered for the Texas Teacher of the Year in a selection process facilitated by the Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA). Texas Teacher of the Year is the highest honor that the State of Texas can bestow upon a teacher. Facilitated by TASA since 2011, the program annually recognizes and rewards teachers who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and excellence in teaching.

Judges will meet in August to narrow the pool of 40 Regional Teachers of the Year to six finalists — three elementary and three secondary — based on the information provided in the Texas Teacher of the Year application. In September/October, the finalists are interviewed by a panel of judges who select the Texas Elementary and Texas Secondary Teachers of the Year.

When selecting the Texas Elementary and Texas Secondary Teachers of the Year, the judges designate one to serve as the official “Texas Teacher of the Year” — Texas’ nominee for National Teacher of the Year, a program conducted by the Council of Chief State School Officers.

SFDR CISD is honored to congratulate Ms. Castellanos for her outstanding achievement. We are proud to have her represent our District, Region 15, and our Del Rio community!

