



# SAN FELIPE DEL RIO CISD

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## SFDR CISD REMEMBERS BELOVED KINDERGARTEN TEACHER

San Felipe Del Rio CISD and the staff at Buena Vista Elementary are mourning the loss of long-time kindergarten teacher, Ms. Concepcion “Connie” Gutierrez. Ms. Gutierrez was a beloved teacher who touched the lives of students and laid the ground work for a lifetime of learning. She began her tenure with the school district in 1979 at East Side Elementary. She went on to work at Ruben Chavira Elementary and most recently at Buena Vista Elementary. She treasured her time as a kindergarten teacher, dedicating her entire career, 41 years of service to her students.

To those who had an opportunity to be mentored by her, learned to do the job right and to do it with love. Not only did Ms. Gutierrez model great teaching, she taught her students (many of them English learners) the importance of hard work, dedication and learning to overcome hardships.

Mrs. Sutton, principal of Buena Vista Elementary expressed her condolences and states, “Ms. Gutierrez will be remembered fondly for her integrity, grit and for being a true champion of bilingual instruction. The Buena Vista family is forever grateful for Ms. Gutierrez’s unwavering commitment to her students and her colleagues.”

