



# SAN FELIPE DEL RIO CISD

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## PATRICIA VILLARREAL RECOGNIZED DURING STATE-LEVEL TEACHER OF THE YEAR CEREMONY

San Felipe Del Rio CISD and Region 15 Teacher of the Year Patricia Villarreal was among forty 2023 Regional Texas Teachers of the Year who were recognized at an awards ceremony today at the Kalahari Resort & Convention Center in Round Rock, Texas.

The Texas Teacher of the Year program has honored excellence in classroom education since 1969. The program, facilitated by TASA since 2011, annually recognizes and rewards teachers who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and excellence in teaching. Mrs. Villarreal, a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Lamar Elementary School, was selected as the 2023 Elementary Teacher of the Year for the District in May and the Region 15 Elementary Teacher of the Year in July. Laura Strube, Deputy Director for ESC 15 stated, “We are extremely honored to have her represent our region at the state level.” This is the second time Mrs. Villarreal has been named as SFDR CISD’s Elementary Teacher of the Year and the second time she has represented the District at the regional level.

Attending the ceremony was Dr. Carlos Rios, Superintendent, and Mrs. Iris Oca, Principal at Lamar Elementary. SFDR CISD is honored to congratulate Mrs. Villarreal for her outstanding achievement and proud to have her represent our District, Region 15, and our Del Rio community!