



GYO Clinical Intern Teacher Celebration – September 2026 Board Meeting

The Human Resources Department is proud to recognize the following Grow Our Own Clinical Teachers for successfully completing their clinical teaching experience and beginning their careers as full-time teachers in Goose Creek CISD for the 2026–2027 school year.

These educators represent the success of our commitment to “Growing Our Own” and developing a strong pipeline of highly qualified teachers from within our community and surrounding areas. Twelve of these educators completed an extensive, year-long Teacher Residency Program and earned an Enhanced Standard Certificate through the Texas Education Agency, recognizing their additional preparation and clinical experience beyond the traditional pathway to teacher certification.

We are especially proud that more than half of these educators have earned their Texas Standard Teaching Certificate as they begin their teaching careers.

We are incredibly proud of their accomplishments and excited to welcome them as full-time members of the Goose Creek CISD family. We would also like to recognize and thank our Board of Trustees, Superintendent, university partners, campus principals and host teachers throughout the district for their continued support of these innovative teacher pipeline initiatives.

The following educators participated in our Grow Our Own Clinical Teachers program and have transitioned into full-time teaching positions for the 2026–2027 school year:

- Briana Ayala, Special Education Teacher, Alamo Elementary
- Ian Barker, History Teacher, Lee High School
- Lorena Barnes, Special Education Teacher, Highlands Elementary
- Samantha Bartz, 4th Grade Teacher, Austin Elementary
- Esmeralda Calvillo, Math Teacher, Goose Creek Memorial High School
- Jaritza Camacho, Dual Language Teacher, Crockett Elementary
- Elvia Carrillo, Special Education Teacher, Austin Elementary
- Annastacya DeLao, 2nd Grade Teacher, San Jacinto Elementary
- Alejandra Diaz Lopez, 1st Grade Teacher, Victoria Walker Elementary
- Hannah Dixon, Social Studies Teacher, Gentry Jr. High
- Ella Hale, Math Teacher, Goose Creek Memorial



- Erandi Hernandez, PK Dual Language Teacher, Liles Early Learning Academy
- Grecia Ibarra, Dual Language Teacher, San Jacinto Elementary
- Madison Jablonski, 3rd Grade Teacher, Harlem Elementary
- Alyssa Kent, 4th Grade Teacher, Banuelos Elementary
- Brandon Lewallen, 3rd Grade Teacher, Travis Elementary
- Britney Martinez, Dual Language Teacher, DeZavala Elementary
- Emma McGill, 1st Grade Teacher, Victoria Walker Elementary
- Cesar Michaca, Dual Language Teacher, Austin Elementary
- Nikki Miller, 3rd Grade Teacher, Banuelos Elementary
- Mariana Negrete, History Teacher, Highlands Junior High
- Candance Peyrefitte, 5th Grade Teacher, Clark Elementary
- Alexandria Piatt, English Teacher, Highlands Jr. High
- Raquel Renteria, 3rd Grade Teacher, Crockett Elementary
- Faith Shockley, PK Teacher, Liles Early Learning Academy
- Laura Still, 1st Grade Teacher, San Jacinto Elementary
- Keely Trotta, 3rd Grade Teacher, DeZavala Elementary
- Kathryn Wheelwright, Math Teacher, Sterling High School