

"Fontana Star" is our web series profiling district staff and alumni who are distinguished for their dedication on behalf of students, commitment to excellence and notable accomplishments in service of FUSD.



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STAR

Magdalena Vazquez

shares how she is inspired



### Profile in Excellence:

**FUSD Schools Attended:**

- West Randall Elementary School
- Sequoia Jr. High School
- Fontana High School

**Higher Education:**

- San Diego State University
- Cal State, San Bernardino

**FUSD Career Experiences:**

- Almeria Middle School
- Truman Middle School
- Citrus High School

**Who were the FUSD staff that affected you most as a student?**

*Bob Bollinger, Patricia Goetz, and Dick Bruich.*

**What did you dream of growing-up to be as a child that would lead you to your work with FUSD?**

*After reading a book about Helen Keller in third grade, I knew I wanted to teach.*

**Since you've joined FUSD as staff, what experience(s) have you been most proud of?**

*My current teaching position at Citrus High School.*

**What keeps you up at night about your work for FUSD?**

*Wondering how I can help students overcome obstacles so that they continue with their education.*

**What do you think is the biggest misconception the public has about our work?**

*The public doesn't seem to believe that class size does affect education at all grade levels. But it does.*

**What can the community do to strengthen public education?**

*Vote in every election and know the items that will affect education.*

**What inspires you to give your very best for the students of FUSD?**

*To see students succeed in spite of their own doubts.*

**What might staff or students be surprised to learn about you?**

*That I was class president in high school for all three years. Has anyone else done this since 1979?*

If you know of a "Fontana Star," particularly one who was an FUSD alumnus, you can nominate him or her to be featured by emailing [webmaster@fUSD.net](mailto:webmaster@fUSD.net). Please provide your name, the name of the individual being nominated, contact information for both of you and a brief description as to why you think the individual qualifies as a Fontana Star.