

Victoria Landeros-Lopez is Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate of the Year

Victoria Landeros-Lopez (FRE) was named the 2021 Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate. Past recipient Robin Ponce Edgington (BAE) paid tribute to Victoria and awarded her a plaque and a check for \$500. Victoria's name is will also be engraved on the perpetual plaque housed in the MTA office.



Victoria shared with the Blanche Chester Committee:

Thank you for considering me and all the other candidates for our work and dedication to Montebello teachers. I have always felt grateful and fortunate to be represented by such a strong chapter and I hope I have paid my gratitude forward through advocating for teachers, schools and our community. Because our profession is heavily populated by women, I believe it is imperative that we stand up for our rights, abide by our contract and maintain our strong position of negotiation and activism. Through the years I have always welcomed new teachers enthusiastically to the Fremont family and worked to familiarize them with not only their contract and rights, but the craft of teaching as well. As a mentor teacher and a union rep, I have attempted to promote our union and our profession.

¡La union hace la fuerza!

Colleague John Hornung wrote:

Mrs. Landeros goes above and beyond the duties of a teacher to ensure our school and staff are informed and aware of issues and current events happening in our district. She has been a loyal MTA rep for several years and is dedicated to teacher causes. If I wanted one teacher to support me with a concern it would be Mrs. Landeros. Throughout this trying time she has worked tirelessly to keep our staff informed, as well as communicating to her colleagues via faculty club meetings and teacher threads.



Liz Lowe (BGH) was named Rotary Teacher of the Year May 12, 2021. Liz' career has focused on teaching science and supporting the AVID program. Rotary President Les Fujimoto awarded her a plaque and a check for \$500.

Election Results

President

- * David Navar..... 395
- Lu Cruz..... 88
- Eddie Garcia 56

Vice President

- Erica Estrada..... 205
- * Jessica Zwaal 317

Treasurer

- * Doug Patzkowski 493

Elementary Director

- * Alma Orta..... 486

Intermediate Director

- * Andy Shinn..... 479

Support Staff Director

- * Melinda Valenzuela 470

CTA State Council Delegate & Alternate

- * David Navar..... 357
- ** Andy Shinn 157

* Indicates Elected
 ** Indicates Elected Alternate

If You Missed Your Forum...

Join Us Tuesday, June 8 at 2:15

An additional Bargaining Forum was added for all assignments, all levels. If you missed the forum you planned to attend, or if you thought of something you wanted to say, join us Tuesday, June 8 at 2:15. The Bargaining Team wants your opinion on negotiations. Hear thoughts from colleagues.

Conversations will focus on the three articles opened by the Association: Article VIII. Class Size, Article XII. Wages, and Article XVII. Safety, Security, and General Working Conditions.

Invitations to Zoom meetings will be sent to your personal email. If you do not receive an invitation for a forum you would like to attend, email Bargaining@MontebelloTeachers.org.

Elementary School..... May 20 at 2:15 p.m.

Community Day School..... May 20 at 4:15 p.m.

Intermediate School May 26 at 2:15 p.m.

Head Start..... May 26 at 4:15 p.m.

Adult Education..... May 28 at 12 p.m.

Related ServicesJune 3 at 3:15 p.m.

Pre School Special EducationJune 7 at 2:15 p.m.

Special Education Issues.....June 7 at 3:30 p.m.

All Assignments, All LevelsJune 8 at 2:15 p.m.