

# Portrait of a Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. Teacher

Classroom teachers ultimately create the environment and learning opportunities necessary to help each student take on the qualities and behaviors described in the *Portrait of a Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. Graduate*. As students are developing concepts of themselves as learners, citizens and workers in our community, teachers can have a powerful influence. The CFISD teacher is a(n):

## Instructional Strategist

who, with purposeful planning, designs thought-provoking learning and assessment activities encompassing the scope of content appropriate for students' ages and aptitudes.

## Creator of Student-centered Environment

who engages students by including personal connections, curiosity, challenge and real-world applications, by activating them as workers, doers, and problem solvers, and by creating a caring, supportive environment where all are comfortable taking risks to further their learning.

## Positive Role Model

who displays the values, good citizenship and personal qualities that evidence a meaningful, productive life – trustworthiness, responsibility, persistence, optimism, and respect for self and others.

## Lifelong Learner

who exemplifies the spirit of continuous improvement by favorable attitude toward and wholehearted participation in activities which foster personal and professional development.

## Team Player

who cooperates with others for the group's benefit, striving to solve problems by analyzing all pertinent data, listening to and valuing others' viewpoints, and actively seeking consensus.