

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.