

Welcomes Mrs. Suzanne Perkins, M.Ed.

The San Marcos CISD Board of Trustees approved Mrs. Suzanne Perkins, M.Ed., as the new principal of Irene K. Mendez Elementary on Monday, June 2, 2025.

Mrs. Perkins brings over 20 years of experience in public education to our campus. Most recently, she has served as the assistant principal at De Zavala Elementary since 2021. Before that role, she worked as an Instructional Specialist at Hernandez Elementary, also within SMCISD.

During her time at De Zavala, Mrs. Perkins played a key role in driving notable improvements, including a 22% increase in academic achievement, raising student attendance from 93% to 95%, and reducing achievement gaps by 15%.



Mrs. Perkins holds a Master's degree in Educational Administration from the University of North Alabama and a Bachelor's degree from the University of the Incarnate Word.

Mrs. Perkins shared her excitement about joining Mendez Elementary:

"I am truly honored to serve as the next principal of Mendez Elementary. I look forward to working alongside our dedicated staff, supportive families, and amazing students to continue building a strong, inclusive, and high-achieving school community."

We are thrilled to welcome Mrs. Perkins to the Mendez community and look forward to the leadership and experience she brings to our school!

