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FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Two Fullerton School District Teachers Awarded Region 11 California League of Educators Teachers of the Year

(*Fullerton, CA*) – Katie Bezayiff, teacher at Maple School, was awarded the Region 11 California League of Educators (CLE)2024 Elementary Teacher of the Year. As if that weren't enough, Mucio Vidales, teacher at Nicolas Junior High School, was awarded the Region 11 California League of Educators 2024 Middle School Teacher of the Year. Both award recipients were recognized for their 'why' they became educators.

The CLE Teachers of the Year is awarded annually to California elementary, middle, and high school educators who exemplify educational excellence. As the nominees selected to represent Region 11, which includes Los Angeles and Orange Counties, Ms. Bezayiff and Mr. Vidales will present at the annual CLE Conference held in March to vie for the State Teachers of the Year honor.

The Fullerton School District is located in northern Orange County, California and serves over 11,600 students in grades TK – 8th. The Fullerton School District includes 21 schools, 15 elementary schools, two K-8th grade schools, three middle schools, and a distance learning and home school model. The mission of the Fullerton School District is to work collaboratively with the community to provide an innovative, high-quality educational program for all students in a safe learning environment. The District motto, "*Great Schools - Successful Kids*" exemplifies the belief that all students will achieve academic excellence, acquire interpersonal skills, and develop technological expertise to contribute as productive citizens in a democratic society. For more information, call 714/447-7400 or visit www.fullertonsd.org.

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