









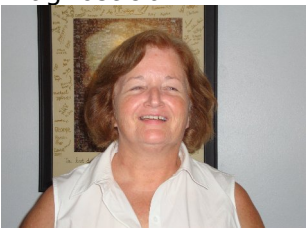




CORPUS CHRISTI MONTESSORI SCHOOL
Credentialed Staff Profiles
2011 – 2012

<p>Minerva Salazar Director/Superintendent</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doctorate Program Educational Leadership, Texas A&M Corpus Christi • Masters in Educational Administration, TAMU-CC • Bachelor of Science in Education, Corpus Christi State University • Associates of Arts, Del Mar College • Certified Educator since 1990, Texas State Board for Educator Certification • Reading Specialist, Texas State Board for Educator Certification
<p>Cerise Weeks Assistant Director/ Curriculum Coordinator</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in K-8 Education – TAMU-CC • Masters in Educational Administration – TAMU-CC • 8 years Teaching Experience in CCISD • 10 years Montessori Teaching Experience • 5 years Montessori Administrative Experience • AMS Montessori Certificate: 3-6, 6-9 • AMS Montessori Certificate: 9-12 • Continuing Montessori AMS education/training
<p>Lori Hernandez Middle School Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (English) – TAMU-CC • MS (Reading) – TAMU-CC • Professional Education Leadership (PEL) – ESC2 • 13 years Teaching Experience • Teacher certified 1st-8th grade • AMS Montessori Certification in Progress 6-12
<p>Jason Bond Middle School Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (English/Reading) – TAMU-CC • TEA certified 6th-12th grade • Nine years teaching experience • AMS Montessori Certification in Progress 6-12 • First Aid Certification
<p>Esther Flores Upper Elementary Teacher Spanish Curriculum Coordinator</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) – Applied Linguistics, U.A.N.L. 1984 • Masters in Education - Lesley College Mass. • 26 years Teaching Experience • AMS Montessori Certificates: 3-6; 6-9, 9-12 and Middle School • AMS Teacher Trainer in Mexico -Centro Entienamiento Montessori, Monterrey, N.L. • Texas Certification – Education Service Center Region 1 EC-4, Region 2: (4-8 Generalist), Special Ed. • First Aid Certification

<p>Ashley Blentlinger Upper Elementary Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Early Childhood Education – TAMU-CC • TEA Certification: Pre-K thru 8th • M.S. Counseling in Progress – TAMU-CC • AMS Montessori Certificate: 6-9, 9-12 • First Aid Certification
<p>Shelly Moses Upper Elementary Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor (B.A.) in English & English Literature – Southwest Texas State University • MBA – University of Phoenix Houston Campus; 11 years classroom teaching • AP/Pre AP English – Rice University • AP/Pre AP Human Geography – Rice University • iteachtexas State Certification Course: Pre K – 6 • AMS Montessori Certified: 6-9 • AMS Montessori Training in progress: 9-12
<p>Claire Romano Dual Language, Lower Elementary Co-Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor (B.A.) in Drama – University of Dallas • ESL Certification in progress EC-6 • AMS Montessori Training in progress 6-9 • First Aid Certification
<p>Wanda Chavez-Garcia Dual Language, Lower Elementary Co-Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Psychology – University of Puerto Rico 1991 • Major in Interdisciplinary Studies – TAMUCC 2010 • TEA Certification: Bilingual Generalist – Spanish EC-4
<p>Melody Turner Lower Elementary Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Geography / History – University of New Mexico • Certification Pre-K-3 • AMS Montessori Certificate 3-6 • AMS Montessori Training in progress 6-9 • First Aid Certification

<p>Trudi Torralva Lower Elementary Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Major: History - Tennessee Temple University • M.R.E. • TEA Certified EC-4 • AMS Montessori Certified – Lower Elementary • First Aid Certification
<p>Jennifer Kunkel Lower Elementary Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Early Childhood Education – TAMU-CC • TEA Certified EC-4 • AMS Montessori Certified 6-9 year olds • First Aid Certification
<p>Shaun Butzke P.E./Coach</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Kinesiology – TAMU-CC • TEA Certified Physical Education – All Levels • First Aid Certification
<p>Orfie Barboza Special Education Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) – Sociology • Masters of Education – TAMU-CC • 9 years experience working with children with Autism • Special Education Certification • AMS Montessori Training in progress • TAKS Coordinator • First Aid Certification
<p>Deborah Russell Diagnostician</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) - Communications • M.S. – Curriculum & Instruction • Certified Educational Diagnostician • Certified Teacher – Special Education & Theatre Arts • Attended: Texas Tech University ('71-'74), University of Houston ('74-'79), Corpus Christi State University ('91-'93), Texas A&M –CC ('94-'95) • 15 years as an Educational Diagnostician • Dyslexia Assessment Specialist • Behavior Specialist

<p>Russell Alaniz Music Teacher</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Music Violin Performance, College of Charleston • Studied with Lee Chin-Siow, Andre Grabiec, the Cerones, and Lori Fay • Performed with the Corpus Christi Chorale, Performed in the University of Houston Moores School of Music Symphony Orchestra, College of Charleston Symphony Orchestra, Charleston Symphony Orchestra, Eastern Music Festival Symphony Orchestra • Founded the "CCMS Fiddlers" after-school group violin program • 4 years experience teaching music classes (1st-8th grades) as well as the CCMS group violin program • 7 years experience teaching individual piano and violin lessons to students of all ages (4 yrs-adults) • 11 years experience performing as a contract violinist for private functions and public events
<p>Catherine Cueva Counselor</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision (2006)-TAMU-CC • Licensed Professional Counselor (2007) • Master's Degree in Counseling – School Counseling Track (2003) - TAMU-CC • Master's Degree and Certification in Education with a specialization in Early Childhood Education (2001) - TAMU-CC • Bachelor's Degree in Psychology (1997) - University of Houston • Six years teaching experience at the Early Childhood level • Eight years consulting and counseling experience in public and private settings
<p>Chriselle R. Garza Speech Language Pathologist <i>(photo unavailable)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Communication Sciences & Disorders – UT Austin • MA in Communication Sciences & Disorders – UT Pan American • Member of American Speech & Hearing Association with Certificate of Clinical Competence • 10 years experience • CPR Trained • Hanen Certified – It Takes Two to Talk (Autism)