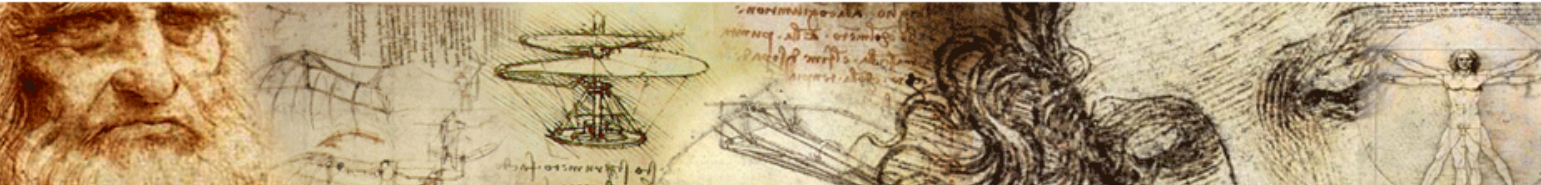


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THE DAVINCI INSTITUTE

OKLAHOMA'S CREATIVITY THINK TANK



We are proud to announce Angela Martinez as the 2021 DaVinci Teacher of the year! (See interview pg. 4)

The DaVinci institute is Oklahoma's Creativity Think Tank—promoting a statewide creative renaissance through lectures, professional development, research and advocacy. The first project of the DaVinci Institute became what is now Oklahoma A+ Schools Institute at UCO. Through a long-standing relationship, DaVinci values the work of OKA+ and since 2010 has recognized an outstanding educator in an OKA+ Schools' Network school. Through principal nomination and application, a teacher who exemplifies the A+ Essentials through their classroom instruction, leadership, and general education philosophy, is chosen to be the DaVinci A+ Teacher of the Year.

The A+ Teacher Award is awarded to an Oklahoma A+ School Teacher whose extraordinary creativity and integration of the arts into the curriculum exemplifies the purpose of the A+ Schools of nurturing creativity in every learner. Administrative support of this whole school transformation is critical to its effectiveness.



Angela Martinez (right), the 2021 DaVinci A+ Teacher of the Year with OKA+ Executive Director Sandra Kent (center) and Naomi Rothrock (left), the 2020 DaVinci A+ Teacher of the Year

DAVINCI A+ Teacher of the Year

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May 5th 4:00 - 4:45

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OKA+ Spotlight Series: Meet Angela Martinez, 2021 Davinci A+ Teacher of the Year



Angela Martinez was recently named the 2021 DaVinci A+ Teacher of the Year!

Angela came to Oklahoma eight years ago when she joined Teach for America and was placed in a pre-k classroom in OKCPS. She has been selected as an OKA+ Fellow in fall 2019.

She quickly fell in love with the profession and decided to pursue a masters degree in education to improve her skills and be the best for her students. She currently teaches Kindergarten at Stanley Hupfeld Academy, an OKA+ demonstration school where she was introduced to the ideals and mission of the organization. Her integration of the essentials has helped her thrive as a teacher even through the toughest times.

We love having Angela as part of our fellows cadre!

Q: Coffee or tea?

A: Tea lover! I like all kinds and I like to add a bit of honey.

Q: Car or plane?

A: Car. Although I love traveling I'm afraid of flying.

Q: Song or dance?

A: Both, but I don't like to dance in public.

Q: Introvert or extrovert?

A: INFJ - 100% Introvert

Don't MISS

- New School Informational Meetings- 5/4 and 5/5

- NYAC 2021 - 6/8

- Summer Summits:

Week of July 19-23

Schools: Aspen Creek, Pansy Kidd, Eisenhower, TLCS Primary, Quail Creek, Kaiser, Heritage

Week of July 26-30

Schools: Pathways, Hennessey, Esperanza, Mark Twain, Le Monde International, Van Buren

Contact your principal or advocate for registration information!

Check out our new T.E.A. Time video! (Talking Education and Arts)



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