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Mayra Tovar



Mayra Tovar is a fourth-grade, bilingual teacher at Lee H. Means Elementary Fine Arts Academy at Harlingen CISD. Tovar graduated from the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, UTRGV, in the fall of 2018 with a degree in interdisciplinary studies with a specialization in bilingual education EC-sixth. Tovar was selected as a teacher candidate for UTRGV's STEP-UP program 2017-2018 cohort. This program allowed her to complete a clinical teaching experience year, in which she made positive contributions not only in the classroom, but also in the community, such as tutoring at the local housing authority learning center alongside her mentor and being a volunteer coach for the Harlingen Boys and Girls Club. Tovar feels proud to

continue representing UTRGV's STEP-UP program and being an advocate for future teacher candidates.

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