



Wildcat Contributor Award: Jorge Arias

The Marcum-Illinois Union Elementary School District would like to recognize Jorge Arias as a valuable member of our Marcum School Community. Mr. A has been an extremely dedicated employee who has greatly contributed to our school and our students in many ways.

Mr. A came to Marcum 23 years ago while pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice. As he worked with kindergarten and EL students he continued to study diligently and graduated from Sac State with his degree. Although Mr. A has the knowledge, ability, and educational background to pursue other occupational opportunities, he chose to continue to support Marcum students and our school.

Over the course of his many years here at Marcum, Mr. A has worn a variety of hats. He has been an exceptional aide in many classrooms, directly supported our EL students with extra interventions, was a vital member of the grounds and custodial team, ensures the safety of our students at recess and in the Den, and is always willing to help out in any way he can.

Setting a good example is very important to Mr. A, and he is an exceptional positive role model for our students. Please and thank you are always the first words to come out of his mouth and his encouragement to all students and staff is something we are all thankful for. He is always looking for fun and adventure, and he does whatever he can to ensure that our students are enjoying themselves at school.

After years of commitment and dedication to Marcum School, our students, our staff, and our community, Mr. A rightfully deserves to be recognized for his outstanding contributions. The Marcum Board, Staff, Students, and Community would like to thank Jorge Arias for all that he has done for our students and our school.