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### **Paris ISD Names Teachers of the Year**

Wynne Henderson was named Elementary Teacher of the Year and Cassandra Rogers was named Secondary Teacher of the Year for the Paris Independent School District at a dinner yesterday honoring teaching excellence. Both will represent Paris ISD in the 2019 Region VIII Education Service Center Teacher of the Year competition.

Henderson holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Centenary College of Louisiana, and a Master of Arts in Elementary Education from Piedmont College in Georgia. In her 29-year teaching experience, she has taught at Aikin Elementary School for eighteen years. She currently teaches second grade. Prior to that she taught in Douglasville, Georgia, and Shreveport, Louisiana.

She was part of a team that piloted an inclusion program whose findings were presented at a national education conference in Washington, D.C. She spent two years learning American Sign Language so that deaf second grade students in her district could be mainstreamed through her classroom. She has served on various curriculum development and Benchmark committees. She is an active member of Delta Kappa Gamma, a professional society for women educators, serving as president for two years.

Rogers holds an Associates of Science from Paris Junior College and she is a graduate of Texas A&M-Commerce with a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. Rogers has taught in Paris ISD for six years and has taught 8th grade English/Language Arts at Paris Junior High School since 2015. She has served on the TEA STAAR Review Committee, District Wide Academic Committee, District of Innovation Committee, mentor to new teachers, and has presented numerous educational sessions on technology at professional conferences.

One of Rogers' greatest joys comes from teaching the students in front of her with an eye towards who they have the potential to become as they grow older. Teaching, for Rogers, is a balance between the now and the later. Provide adventures and growth in learning for them now, but plant seeds for their future.



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