## Mrs. Cindy Sanchez

## **Riverside Traditional School Principal**

I am very excited for the opportunity to serve the Riverside School District community. A hard working community who is devoted to the education and well-being of the students. A community who shares with me the same belief that continuous progress is the engine to cultivate our students' future.

I have over 20 years of experience serving urban school districts as a teacher, academic/literacy coach and principal. I have been fortunate to witness students succeed and supersede language barriers, student mobility, learning disabilities and family struggles. I believe that all students are to be held accountable to high standards for learning. Students are to be provided with instruction linking AZCCRS/ Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) instruction to engage them in real world problems and experiences that would lead to higher level thinking.

I have served as a school principal for 8 of those years. In the Gadsden School District, I was fortunate to lead schools to "A" status on the Arizona Department of Education's School Report based on state assessments. I have been fortunate to build unity among teams of teachers, parents and students. Subsequently I served at the Isaac School District as the Principal of Moya Elementary School, a school where the staff and the community came together to create a school focused on students, their academic needs, and parental involvement. Together we were able to increase student achievement to the highest level in 6 years.

In every community where I have served, I have found that student achievement is aligned to the quality of professional development, support, and monitoring systems provided for teachers. As a principal, I strive to develop positive professional relationships with all staff members and build a unified vision with strategic goals to impact the quality of education for the students.

As part of building a culture of learning, I encourage staff members to build opportunities for students and staff to be recognized for their academic/social achievements and growth. Parents are encouraged to be involved in celebrations as they play an impactful role in school success. The end goal is to make our community feel valued, appreciated and encouraged.

I strongly believe that a quality of instruction cannot stand alone without a culture of learning. I embrace change as an opportunity to grow and serve the school community.

I look forward to joining forces with our Riverside community and take every step forward to make Riverside Traditional School the best place to be and learn.

Yours in Education,

Cindy Sanchez, M. Ed. Principal