

Special Education Team Introduction

I am proud to introduce our new MDE Special Education Team members: Angela Rehquate (Diagnostician), Dana Carter (AIM Teacher), and Clairisse Woods (Resource/Inclusion Teacher). They are off to a fantastic start, working well as a team to support our students and staff. Debbie Flores and Rachel Bailon will continue to serve students as paraprofessionals. Below are brief self-introductions, where their Pony Pride shines through!



Pictured: Angela Rehquate, Clairisse Woods, Debbie Flores, Rachel Bailon, Dana Carter

Hello, my name is Angela Rehquate, and I will be the diagnostician at Memorial Drive Elementary! This is my first year at MDE but 16th year working in Spring Branch ISD. Before becoming a diagnostician, I was a special education teacher for about 10 years and I am starting my 10th year as a diagnostician. I graduated from the University of St. Thomas with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Special Education and the University of Houston with a master's degree in Early Childhood Special Education. I received my diagnostician certification from the University of St. Thomas. I am excited for this coming school year and look forward to working as a team with our awesome MDE staff, students, and parents to make this school year a happy, successful year for all of our students! Go Ponies!

Hello! My name is Dana Carter and I am the new AIM Teacher at MDE this year! This will be my first year teaching AIM, but will be my 9th year in Special Education and I am so excited for another great year! I received my bachelor's degree in Special Education from the University of Texas – (Go Horns!), and recently received my master's degree in Applied Behavior Analysis. My goal is to provide a welcoming and safe environment for an amazing population of students where they can grow and feel loved. #Powerofwe@mde

Welcome! My name is Clairisse Woods and I am excited to be joining the MDE family as our resource teacher. I attended Southwestern University and am certified in Special Education, Elementary Education, and English as a Second Language. Last year, I was a PPCD teacher. I am enthusiastic to bring my knowledge and experiences to MDE in order to continue my journey as a lifelong learner. Creating a warm, strength-based, community is the foundation for meaningful growth. I look forward to collaborating with you throughout the year!