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Jennifer Hernandez
Classified Employee of the Year
Fremont High School

Jennifer Hernandez was named the Fremont High School Classified Employee of the Year by the Fremont Union High School District at its meeting on April 18, 2017. Jennifer started working as an AP Secretary in the Dean’s Office at Fremont High School in the Fall of 2013. Over the course of her tenure with the district, she has provided support to eight different deans, numerous support staff and countless students. Her colleagues say that she is truly the face of the Dean’s Office at Fremont, treating every visitor with patience, kindness and respect.

Jennifer loves working with the high school’s discipline team. The positive rapport between colleagues allows her to provide the best possible support to families as they build relationships to the school and use the staff as a valuable resource. Jennifer also credits the staff, students and welcoming environment at Fremont as reasons why she loves coming to work everyday.

FHS Dean Sydney Fernandez shared that, “Jennifer is proactive in assessing student needs and consistently provides appropriate resources. For example, a student may be having a conversation with a dean and Jennifer will notice the student is under emotional distress. Without direction, she will reach out to the appropriate resource to provide additional support to the student. Jennifer’s impressive knowledge of students’ backgrounds and family life helps tremendously when I work with a student who is new to me.”

Jennifer was born and raised in San Francisco, graduating from Mercy High School. Throughout her high school career, she dedicated much of her time to volunteering with seniors, coaching basketball at a local elementary school and serving on the yearbook committee. Jennifer went on to attend San Jose State University, where she earned her bachelor’s degree in Sociology, with a concentration in Criminology and minor in Justice Studies. Prior to joining the Fremont High School staff, she worked in the non-profit sector with incarcerated gang-impacted youth struggling with substance abuse. Jennifer has been married to her husband Pete Hernandez, a Student Conduct Specialist at CHS, for four years. Together, they have two beautiful boys, Marcus (7) and PJ (Peter, Jr., 3). Jennifer enjoys spending time with family and friends in her free time and is an avid baseball fan.