



# Your Vote Matters!

Amanda DeFranco, M. ED.

for Vice President

Aldine AFT-Local 6345

I am currently the Department Chair of Special Education, .5 Credit Recovery Interventionist, and the Resource and Inclusion Math Teacher at Carver Magnet High School. I have been married for over a decade, am a mother of two wildly wonderful toddlers, five dogs, and three cats.

## Previous Work Experience

- I worked for the Town of Victor Parks and Recreation for 12 years. This is where I cultivated my passion for working with kids and providing services for my community at large. I began Volunteering at the age of 12 and would continue to work for the Town for 12 years, until I moved to Houston. My responsibilities ranged from;
  - Organizing and leading programs for pre-k kids to senior adult outings
  - Manning the front desk where I honed my abilities to organize and file documents, handle Town financial information, and be responsible for Town building integrity and safety
  - Being the Towns certified Red Cross Instructor and a certified Pro-Rescuer - I have rendered aid to people who were choking, seizing, car crash victims who were ejected, etc.
- I have also worked for daycares, as a personal nanny for a family of 3 , in retail, cleaning services, and animal rescue
- I also rehabilitate a dilapidated home with my husband for my Aunt. We learned how to do everything ourselves, lots of trial, error, and Youtube how to videos later, we went on to rent the home from her until we moved to Houston

## Educational Background

- Associates Degree from MCC - Focusing on History and Secondary Education -
- Bachelor's Degree from SUNY Brockport - Major in History, Minor in Art and Focus on Secondary Education

- Dual Masters in Secondary Education and Special Education for St. John Fisher College
- Dually Accredited teacher in New York and now in Texas

### **Aldine ISD**

During my time at Carver, I have taught in almost all courses we offer, lead professional development sessions for my school and the district, been nominated for teacher of the year twice, nominated for Aldine Inspire, served on numerous committees, and provided outstanding educational opportunities for all students I have had the honor to serve.

### **Aldine AFT**

I just finished my 8th year of teaching at Carver and have been a member of Aldine AFT for the past four years. It is an honor to be nominated and to be able to run for the position of Vice President of Aldine AFT. My goals are to champion the rights of my fellow Aldine AFT Union members, their families, their students, and our communities. I will push for better economic opportunities for all, affordable healthcare, student loan assistance and forgiveness, active communication and Union events, and transparency. I will serve our Union by providing my drive, passion, dedication, education, organization, and tech savviness.

**Vote for Change that Matters!!**

**Please Vote For Amanda DeFranco**

**Vice President of Aldine AFT**