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## Gulf Coast Educators FCU Awards Top Area Principals



Pictured above: Our Appreciated Teacher Award winner Mr. Jose Hernandez, receiving his award. From left to right: Madelin Hernandez, Dr. DeeAnn Powell, Caylee Smith, Linda Lukaszewski, Jose Hernandez, Joe Ditta, Kyle Ford, Kayce Barajas.

Pasadena, TX: Gulf Coast Educators FCU recognizes top school principals in the state of Texas every October in honor of school principal's month. Gulf Coast Educators FCU wants principals to know we value and appreciate their commitment to education.

To recognize top area principals for their hard work, Gulf Coast Educators Federal Credit Union holds a Principal's Month recognition program. This year they received over 575 nominations from 135 school districts all over the state of Texas. A committee composed of credit union employees selected the top four finalists:

Mr. Jose Hernandez, Pasadena ISD  
Mr. Jody Tennerly, Avalon ISD  
Mrs. Wendy Anaya, Humble ISD  
Dr. Jada Saveat Easley, Beaumont ISD

The public was then allowed the opportunity to vote for their choice of "Principal of the Year." All finalists would receive an award and \$500 honorarium for their school. The individual with the most votes and named GCEFCU's 2024 Principal of the Year would receive an award and \$2,500 honorarium to their school.

The credit union received 3,492 votes from the public. Principal Jose Hernandez from Pasadena ISD was named Gulf Coast Educators FCU's 2024 Principal of the Year.

The credit union would like to congratulate Principal Jose Hernandez, the remaining finalists, and all nominees that were received on a job well done.

About Gulf Coast Educators FCU: Since 1948, eleven Pasadena ISD educators got together and formed what today remains a credit union dedicated to serving the financial needs of school employees in the state of Texas. The credit union offers its member-owners a full line of banking services, but through a cooperative ownership structure. To learn more about the credit union, visit [www.gcefcu.org](http://www.gcefcu.org).