



## Santa Cruz County Teacher of the Year Nominees

Dear County Residents,

It is with great pleasure that I introduce the 2009 Santa Cruz County Teacher of the Year nominees. Each teacher was selected by their peers at their respective school sites. On behalf of the Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools Office and the Rotary Clubs of Santa Cruz County, we would like to congratulate all teachers in Santa Cruz County for their commitment and dedication in educating our children and making a difference in their lives.

Sincerely,

**Alfredo I. Velásquez**  
Santa Cruz County Superintendent of School



Ms. Diana Rivero  
AJ Mitchell Elementary School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Ms. Eliza Lopez  
Robert Bracker Elementary School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Ms. Elisa Terrazas  
Challenger Elementary School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Ms. Lydia Orozco  
Lincoln Elementary School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Ms. Maribel Silva  
Mary L. Welty Elementary  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Ms. Elizabeth Siordia  
Desert Shadows Middle School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Ms. Laura Ramos  
Wade Carpenter Middle School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Ms. Kathy Scott  
Nogales High School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Mr. Scott Beach  
Fco. Vasquez de Coronado  
Elementary School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Ms. Elisa Kathy Romero  
San Cayetano Elementary School  
Santa Cruz Valley Unified School  
District #35

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Santa Cruz County  
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of the  
Year**



Mr. Christopher Miranda  
Pierson Vocational High School  
Nogales Unified School District #1



Mr. Mark Dittmar  
Mountain View Elementary  
Santa Cruz Valley Unified School  
District #35



Ms. Rebecca Phillips  
Coatimundi Middle School  
Santa Cruz Valley Unified School  
District #35



Mr. Cory Walavich  
Calabasas Middle School  
Santa Cruz Valley Unified School  
District #35



Ms. Linda Katherine Racine  
Mexicayotl Charter School