



# ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FORMING THE COMPLETE CHILD THROUGH FAITH, REASON & VIRTUE



**MRS. REBECCA AMSTUTZ**  
(Teacher of the Year 2019-2020)

**Mrs. Amstutz is our 2nd grade teacher and was honored as SMMCS Teacher of the Year. She was raised in southern California and went to University of the Pacific in Stockton, CA. Mrs. A had the opportunity to partake in an exchange program to Lima Peru and attended La Universidad Católica (in Lima) for a year. There, she traveled all over Peru, including a trip on the Amazon in a local fishing boat, plus a holiday excursion over the Christmas holidays to Cusco and Machu Picchu. Mrs. Amstutz pursued a postgraduate student teaching assignment at the American School in Mexico City and completed requirements for elementary and bilingual education certification back in the United States.; Mrs. Amstutz has taught Houston ISD for 27 years. She arrived at SMMCS three years ago and the rest is history!! Mrs. Amstutz teaches so that she and her students can create a dynamic learning community together. One that celebrates the joy of, and the wonder in, the discovery of God's creation. She also teaches so that she can freely give from the abundant blessing she has received. Her favorite Bible verse is Romans 12:6-7 "We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is teaching, then teach.**