



Ernesto G. Cantu

Mr. Cantu was born and raised in San Antonio, TX and is a graduate of John Jay High School. In his teenage years, he started work as a stock boy at a local convenience store after school and on weekends. Later he worked for a landscaping company, as well as roofing, construction, and carpentry. After graduating from high school, he started working at Edgewood ISD as a helper in the filter crew. While working for the school district, he had the opportunity to assist the HVAC technicians in repairing a/c and heating equipment. It was at this point that he decided that HVAC was his calling. He enrolled at St. Phillips College to expand his training and knowledge and was able to get his Journeyman's license. With a strong will and desire, it was not long before he obtained his Master's license. A servant leader, Mr. Cantu's background and experience stems from his depth of 35 years as Master Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning Technician. He has 20+ years in the Controls aspect as well. Patriotism is also in the veins of Mr. Cantu as he served as a combat medic in the US Army National Guard early in his adulthood. He has held various leadership positions not only in the Army, but also at San Antonio ISD as an HVAC Technician for over 12 years. He has lead the Edgewood ISD Physical Plant Operations team in averaging over 10,000 work orders a year, streamlining HVAC controls projects saving over \$100,000.00 in FY17 and being selected as Interim of Physical Plant Operations 2016. Mr. Cantu's efforts has led the district in receiving recognition while receiving the most rebates in the state during the CPS Energy conservation push during the summer months. Over the last four years he has spearheaded a strategic energy conservation effort that has refunded to the district over \$982,415 in rebates. In 2018, the team is on track to tip the scale over that mark while trying to do better than their best.

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Professionalism Accountability Communication (P.A.C.)

+ Coordinator— Physical Plant Operations

The Physical Plant Operations Coordinator is responsible for managing the district's maintenance, construction, and custodial operations. Daily departmental functions include supervision of daily administrative routines, building maintenance, construction projects and custodial management.

+ What is Important to Me

Providing a physical environment that is functional, safe and clean for every child.



Edgewood ISD Physical Plant Services strives to provide the backbone of support to all campuses with 65 teammates. With a 'students first' mindset of each team member, we provide a 24/7 service to the District to ensure a functioning learning environment. This team covers 2.1 MILLION square feet of campus space while ensuring the 110 acres of land are manicured to a prestigious level. We strive to provide the best staff support by providing a five day response time of when our crews will be out to assess a work order. This section has averaged 10,000 work orders a year touching all district buildings.

Vision Statement

For every child, success in life.

Edgewood Proud!



A few of my roles and responsibilities

- Oversee the daily operations of the department.
- Ensure that district facilities are functional, safe, clean and well maintained.
- Ensure that operations are cost effective and funds are managed wisely.
- Supervise coordinators, foremen, and office staff.

Proudly serving Edgewood since 2013

Mission Statement

Edgewood ISD provides an exceptional learning experience that engages, empowers, and prepares students to compete and reach their highest potential in an ever-changing world.



'If better is possible, then good is not enough!'