

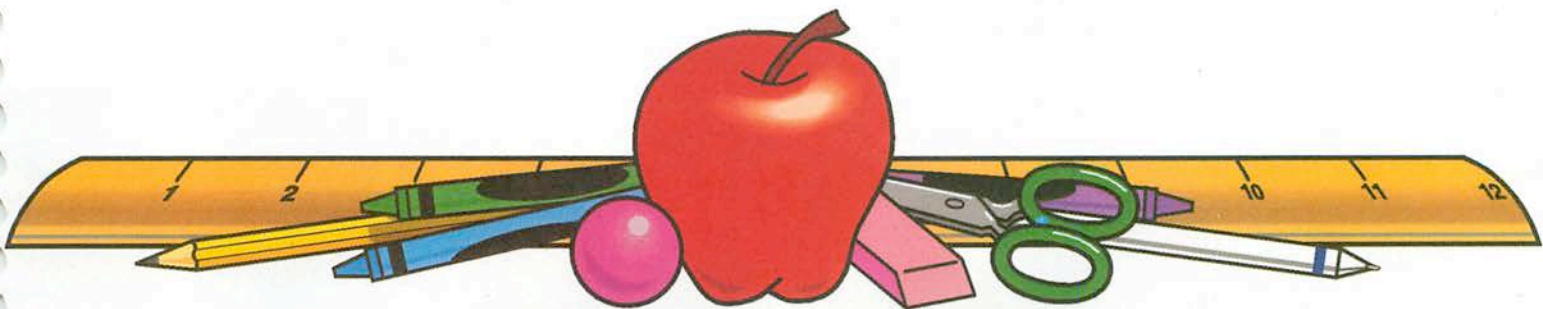
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# OUR GOALS

as

# BILINGUAL TEACHERS

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# **Dedication**

**For the educational community  
of Brooklyn, New York**

*To work a MIRACLE*

*In one year:*

*Facilitate the transformation*

*Of “my” children*

*From non-readers*

*To*

*Bilingual*

*Readers/Writers.*

*Albamar Sanchez*

*To be able to change  
At least one life  
For the better  
Away from violence and drugs.*

*To influence young minds  
To become the best they can be.*

*To always continue to do  
More for them.*

*María H. Quiñones-Antonatos*

*To help my students  
To succeed  
In both languages.*

*To help my students  
To explore  
The new world.*

*Ms. Y. Liang*

*I want to help students  
unleash the power within.  
If they are able to do that  
then we can all have  
better hopes for the future.*

*Australia Fernández*

*Deseo*

*Ser una luz donde haya  
oscuridad...*

*Llevar paz donde haya  
inquiétude...*

*dar amor donde haya odio...*

*tomar de las manos a las manos  
que nunca han sido acariciadas.*

*Adalgisa Betances*



## *My Goals as a Teacher:*

- *To leave positive impressions*
- *To help my students to see themselves as wonderful “promises”.*
- *To guide my students to become independent, confident students.*
- *To help my students to find the virtue of “competence”, not the disappointment of failure.*
- *To help them see themselves as rulers, not always to be overruled by others.*

*Marie Carmela Ball*

*Helping young people discover,  
Recognize and rediscover  
The joy, wonder and fabulous beauty  
Within ourselves  
And the world around us.*

*Provide a strong reservoir  
Of meaningful encounters  
For the mind and the soul  
That will enable us to persevere  
In difficult moments.*

*Ted Slone*

*Me veo como un agente catalítico  
En la vida de mis alumnos.  
Quisiera que mi influencia y ayuda  
Pudiera transformar sus vidas-  
Ayudándoles a conseguir sus sueños.*

*Porque todo ciudadano del mundo  
Tiene derecho a vivir una vida plena  
Que incluya justicia, libertad  
Y el derecho a la felicidad.*

*Awilda Ortiz*

## *My Goals as a Teacher*

*To influence my students in a positive way.*

*To help my children believe in themselves,  
And to always reach for the best.*

*P. Martínez*

*Un sueño lentamente desarrollando...*

*Veo las caras honestas de mis alumnos  
En la tele frente de mí,  
En las hojas de la revista sentada a mi lado,  
En el periódico a mis pies.*

*LAS LETRAS, LAS PALABRAS, LAS VOCES...*

*Unidas...*

*Dirigiendo al pueblo, a la ciudad, al país,*

*Al planeta...*

*Con sus ideas de unidad.*

*FORMANDO UN CUERPO DE HERMANDAD...*

*Y yo, en mi sillón,*

*Meciéndome, sonriéndome, llorando.*

*Lucía Rodríguez-López*

## *My Goals as a Teacher*

*I want my children to question.*

*I want my children to explore.*

*I want my children to become*

*Open-minded thinkers*

*And not always followers.*

*I want my children to become agents*

*Of change in their future lives.*

*I want my children to have*

*A better life.*

*Nydia Rivera Mendez*

*My goal is to give students the opportunity to change their community, to have self-confidence, and teach them that hard work can lead them to success.*

*My goal is to help students see that they are intelligent.*

*My goal is to help every child appreciate the diversity of cultures and languages found all around the world.*

*Raquel Torres*

## *My Goals as a Teacher*

- 1. To love children and nurture the love of learning.*
- 2. To encourage children to be readers, writers and successful communicators.*

*Sarita Morales*



## *My Goal as a Teacher*

*...is to share and celebrate  
my abilities with my students  
so that they can share and  
celebrate their abilities  
with others when they  
become adults.*

*Evelyn Ruiz*

*My goal is to teach and empower students to become lifelong learners. I want to teach beyond concepts. I want to develop the human mind and spirit.*

*Anna María Charriez*

*To motivate and encourage the unheard students,  
the ones that sit and stare, but their minds and  
hearts are troubled.*

*To see a student stand tall and say "Yes, I am  
somebody with a voice that needs to be heard."*

*Joseph A. Couret*

## *My Goals*

*I want to be the temporary agent of change in the lives of children.*

*I want children to be the permanent agents of change in their own lives.*

*Annabell Martínez*

*My goal as a teacher is to motivate each child to do their very best and improve their performance. Increasingly, teachers are the only role models in many children's lives.*

*Therefore, I want to make a difference! I want them to believe in themselves and reach their highest potential!*

*Judith Vega*

## *One of My Goals as a Teacher*

*To teach my students  
everything I possibly can  
in an environment  
that's joyful, exciting,  
supportive and friendly.*

*Lillian Lorenzo*

## *My Goals as a Teacher*

*I want to be an example through my life as well what I teach.*

*I want my students to have higher self-esteem and a sense of pride in who they are. I want them to value themselves for being unique and special.*

*Iris M. Manners*

## *Jay's Goals*

*As a teacher, I want to be able to reach every student that walks through my door. I want to be able to not only prepare them academically, but socially and economically as well.*

*My main goal is to guide my students into a world full of challenges, obstacles, dreams, and many triumphs.*

*As a Bilingual teacher, my mission is to send every student out into the world with a tool in his bag, the tool of "Survival".*

*Jeannette Bonilla-Torres*



## *My Goal*

*I want to make sure that every one of my bilingual students knows that s/he has the power to excel in all that s/he does.*

*All they have to do is to reach within. I want to help them stop being afraid of trying.*

*Yolanda Mallette*

*Quisiera que todos mis estudiantes  
tengan la alegría y la aptitud  
de conseguir un futuro mejor.*

*Quisiera inculcar el amor a la lectura  
y que ellos descubran  
la riqueza que hay  
en los libros.*

*Anónimo*

*Mi meta al ser maestra fue ayudar a crear una conciencia en los niños de que ser hispano también es un orgullo.*

*Motivarlos a seguir estudiando hasta llegar a la universidad, para ser alguien en el futuro.*

*Sólo lo pueden lograr si rompen esa barrera, ese patrón de dejar la escuela antes de terminar el cuarto año, o "High School".*

*María V. Román*

*I want to teach my students how wonderful they are as individuals.*

*I want to teach them, but most importantly, learn from them.*

*I want to teach them more than math, science, or art, but also the beauty of life.*

*And even though they are other people's children, I consider them mine at least from 8:00 to 3:00.*

*Wanda Cabrera*

*To make a personal connection with each one of my students.*

*To give them acceptance and recognition as individuals.*

*To feel that their needs are being acknowledged.*

*To give them confidence and the belief that they can accomplish and learn.*

*María Teresa Nunziata Jaramillo*

## *My Goals as a Teacher*

*To impact the life of a child that has the same struggles I once encountered in my own life, and offer an example that they can also succeed.*

*To create an environment in my classroom that validates the wonderful things each child has to give his/her friends, family and community.*

*Ms. Román*

*P.S. 24*

## *My Goals:*

- *To uplift my children spiritually, to let them know that there is nothing they can't do, if they try.*
- *To be able to touch kids, in one way or another.*

*Mayra Rivera*

## *My Goals as a Teacher*

*To:*

*Help students believe in themselves-  
they can succeed!*

*Help students become positive role  
models in their communities.*

*Carmen Demoleas*



*I want to give my students vision.*

*I want my students to look beyond  
their present circumstances and  
reach for the stars.*

*I want my students to be strong  
individuals that are not stopped  
by obstacles in their lives.*

*Nashima Pérez-Colón*

*For me, a new transformation, new ideas, new insights, new self-worth.*

*For my students, to continue to move them forward towards transformation of new ideas, new insights and self-worth.*

*To invest the time needed for my students' own emotional, physical and educational development.*

*Wanda Lee López*

## Goals

*My goal is to transform  
my students into  
critical thinkers.*

*Impact my students  
in a positive way.*

*Resulting in a well-rounded,  
fulfilled and knowledgeable  
human being.*

*Take leadership  
in all aspects of life.*

*Luis Pérez*

*I want my students  
to be the best  
that they can be.*

*I want to inspire them.*

*I want them  
to remember me  
with love.*

*Josephine Arroyo*

*I will nourish their growth  
through the love for their heritage.  
I can help my students discover themselves  
and their uniqueness by validating their lives  
and their communities with words.  
I can teach you anything nice!*

*By the teachers in  
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