

In early March, I started working at ICS Allende middle school and had been keen on gaining practical experience in an educational setting. Now, I leave ICS Allende with an experience of something more than just fulfilling the duties that are required of any Educator. I am fortunate enough to have met some of the brightest, most intelligent and entertaining children, who are eager to learn about the world beyond the knowledge they've already acquired of it and who are motivated to satisfy any amount of curiosity they've got. One thing, in particular, that struck most surprising is how engaged the pupils are in helping their community, which had been most apparent to me the week of student elections. That week, I heard well-versed speeches from both primary and secondary level classes; all of which touched on the importance of educational resources and the need to improve infrastructure in the surrounding area. It was this moment, and ones alike, I had realized the strong potential in ICS Allende's student body. It is this awareness of community, motivation and dedication, among other things, that'll take these students far in life.

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