

Spotlight on...

Ashley Arias

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Coach Counselor Ashley Arias has been a true hero at Desert Lily Academy. When the crisis initially hit the state in March of 2020, CC Arias was one of the first to step in and lead the students in efforts to reduce the spread of the virus while giving back to the community. She taught them how to sew masks, providing some to the staff and donating others to more vulnerable populations. When, as a precaution, transitional living students took time away from their off-campus jobs, CC Arias ensured they maintained open communication with their employers to avoid causing any issues with the relationships built with local businesses. She ensured the process was a learning experience for the young women, helping them understand that at times we have to make individual sacrifices for the greater good. Throughout the year, when others were away from campus due to COVID-related issues, Ashley never hesitated to step up and cover shifts, ensuring stability and support during this unprecedented time. DLA is so grateful to have CC Arias on the team; she sets a stellar example for our students and proves that heroes really do exist!