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2024-2025 Ratings based on School Year 2023-2024 Data - District Status Detail

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District Score: 100 Passing Score: 70

Indicator Description

Updated Score

1 Was the complete annual financial report (AFR) and data submitted to the TEA within 30 days of the November 27 or January 28 deadline depending on the school district's fiscal year end date of June 30 or August 31, respectively?

- 2 Was there an unmodified opinion in the AFR on the financial 4/23/2025 Yes statements as a whole? (The American Institute of Certified 6:09:52 PM Public Accountants (AICPA) defines unmodified opinion. The external independent auditor determines if there was an unmodified opinion.)
- 3 Was the school district in compliance with the payment terms 4/23/2025 Yes of all debt agreements at fiscal year end? (If the school district was in default in a prior fiscal year, an exemption applies in following years if the school district is current on its forbearance or payment plan with the lender and the payments are made on schedule for the fiscal year being rated. Also exempted are technical defaults that are not related to monetary defaults. A technical default is a failure to uphold the terms of a debt covenant, contract, or master promissory note even though payments to the lender, trust, or sinking fund are current. A debt agreement is a legal agreement between a debtor (= person, company, etc. that

owes money) and their creditors, which includes a plan for paying back the debt.)

4 Did the school district make timely payments to the Teachers 4/23/2025 Yes Retirement System (TRS), Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and other government agencies? (If the school district received a warrant hold and the warrant hold was not cleared within 30 days from the date the warrant hold was issued, the school district is considered to not have made timely payments and will fail critical indicator 4. If the school district was issued a warrant hold, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 95 points, A = Superior Achievement, even if the issue surrounding the initial warrant hold was resolved and cleared within 30 days.)

1 Multiplier

- 5 Was the total net position in the governmental activities
 column in the Statement of Net Position (net of accretion of
 interest for capital appreciation bonds, net pension liability,
 and other post-employment benefits) greater than zero? (If it
 is not, the maximum points and highest rating that the school
 district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard
 Achievement, unless the school district has an increase of
 students in membership over 5 years of 7 percent or more or
 1,000 or more students in membership. If the school district
 has an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7
 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership,
 the maximum points and highest rating that the school district
 may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)
- 6 Was the average change in (assigned and unassigned) fund 4/23/2025 Ceiling balances over 3 years less than a 25 percent decrease or did 6:09:52 PM Passed the current year's assigned and unassigned fund balances exceed 75 days of operational expenditures? (If the school district fails indicator 6, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)

Sum 4/23/2025 Ceilina 7 Was the number of days of cash on hand and current 4/23/2025 10 investments in the general fund for the school district 6:09:52 PM sufficient to cover operating expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section. 8 Was the measure of current assets to current liabilities ratio 4/23/2025 10 for the school district sufficient to cover short-term debt? See 6:09:52 PM ranges below in the Determination of Points section. 9 Did the school district's general fund revenues equal or 4/23/2025 10 6:09:52 PM exceed expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)? If not, was the school district's number of days of cash on hand greater than or equal to 60 days? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section. 10 10 This indicator is not being evaluated. 11 Was the ratio of long-term liabilities to total assets for the 4/23/2025 10 school district sufficient to support long-term solvency? (If the 6:09:52 PM school district's increase of students in membership over 5 years was 7 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership, then the school district passes this indicator.) 12 What is the correlation between future debt requirements and 4/23/2025 the district's assessed property value? 6:09:52 PM 13 Was the school district's administrative cost ratio equal to or 4/23/2025 10 less than the threshold ratio? See ranges below in the 6:09:52 PM Determination of Points section. 14 Did the school district not have a 15 percent decline in the 4/23/2025 10 students to staff ratio over 3 years (total enrollment to total 6:09:52 PM staff)? If the student enrollment did not decrease, the school district will automatically pass this indicator. 15 Was the school district's ADA within the allotted range of the 4/23/2025 5 district's biennial pupil projection(s) submitted to TEA? If the 6:09:52 PM

district did not submit pupil projections to TEA, did it certify TEA's projections? See ranges below in the Determination of

Points section.

- 16 <u>Did the comparison of Public Education Information</u>

 Management System (PEIMS) data to like information in the school district's AFR result in a total variance of less than 3 percent of all expenditures by function? (If the school district fails indicator 16, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)
- 17 Did the external independent auditor report that the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting and compliance for local, state, or federal funds and free from substantial doubt about the school district's ability to continue as a going concern?

 (The AICPA defines material weakness.) (If the school district fails indicator 17, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard Achievement.)
- 18 <u>Did the external independent auditor indicate the AFR was</u> 4/23/2025 10 free of any instance(s) of material noncompliance for grants, 6:09:52 PM contracts, and laws related to local, state, or federal funds? (The AICPA defines material noncompliance.)
- 19 <u>Did the school district post the required financial information</u>
 on its website in accordance with Government Code, Local
 Government Code, Texas Education Code, Texas
 Administrative Code and other statutes, laws and rules that
 were in effect at the school district's fiscal year end?

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- 20 <u>Did the school district's administration and school board</u>

 members discuss any changes and/or impact to local, state,
 and federal funding at a board meeting within 120 days
 before the district adopted its budget?

 4/23/2025 Ceiling
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- 21 <u>Did the school district receive an adjusted repayment</u> 4/23/2025 Ceiling schedule for more than one fiscal year for an over-allocation of Foundation School Program (FSP) funds because of a financial hardship?

100 Weighted Sum

1 Multiplier Sum (100 Ceiling)

100 Score

Determination Of Rating

A. Did the school district fail any of the critical indicators 1, 2, 3, or 4? If so, the school district's rating is **F for Substandard Achievement** regardless of points earned.

B. Determine the rating by the applicable number of points.

A = Superior Achievement	90-100
B = Above Standard Achievement	80-89
C = Meets Standard Achievement	70-79
F = Substandard Achievement	<70

No Rating = A school district receiving territory that annexes with a school district ordered by the commissioner under TEC 13.054, or consolidation under Subchapter H, Chapter 41. No rating will be issued for the school district receiving territory until the third year after the annexation/consolidation.

The school district receives an **F** if it scores below the minimum passing score, if it failed any critical indicator 1, 2, 3, or 4, if the AFR or the data were not both complete, or if either the AFR or the data were not submitted on time for FIRST analysis.

Ceiling Indicators

Did the school district meet the criteria for any of the following **ceiling indicators** 4, 5, 6, 16, 17, 20, or 21? If so, the school district's applicable maximum points and rating are disclosed below. Please note, an F = Substandard Achievement Rating supersedes any rating earned as the result of the school district meeting the criteria of a ceiling indicator.

Determination of rating based on meeting ceiling	Maximum	Maximum Rating
criteria.	Points	

Indicator 4 (Timely Payments) - School district was issued a warrant hold.	95	A = Superior Achievement
Indicator 5 (Total Net Position) - Negative total net position and do not have 7% or more or 1.000 or more increase in growth in students in membership over 5 years.	79	C = Meets Standard Achievement
Indicator 6 (Average Change in Fund Balance) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 16 (PEIMS to AFR) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	; 89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 17 (Material Weaknesses) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	79	C = Meets Standard Achievement
Indicator 20 (Property Values and Tax Discussion) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 21 (FSP Repayment Plan) - Response to indicator is <i>Yes</i> .	70	C = Meets Standard Achievement

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