

Abilene Independent School District Board Document - Agenda Item VII

Meeting Date: December 8, 2025

Meeting Type: Regular

Item Type: Public Hearing

Future Action Required: No

If Yes, Month: N/A

Subject: Public Hearing on 2024-2025 School FIRST Report-based on Fiscal Year 23-24 Data

Background Information: This is the 23rd year of School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas), a financial accountability rating system for Texas school districts. The Texas Education Agency developed the system in response to the 76th Texas Legislature in 1999. In August 2015, TEA implemented major changes to School FIRST in accordance with HB 5, Section 49, 83rd Texas Legislature. House Bill 5 amended Section 39.082 Texas Education Code to require TEA to combine the financial accountability rating system with the financial solvency system that had been administered separately to evaluate school districts. Beginning with the 20-21 rating system we are now rated with a letter score of "A" (Superior Achievement), "B" (Above-Standard Achievement), "C" (Standard Achievement), or "F" (Substandard Achievement) based on 21 indicators and a total 100 possible points. **In this FIRST report Abilene ISD scored 94 points and earned a Superior Achievement.**

Attached Supporting Documents: Presentation and the full FIRST report including all required disclosures.

Fiscal Implications: None.

Administrative Recommendation: Hold the public hearing, no additional action is required beyond the hearing.

Contact Person: Jennifer Hinds