Evaluation of Campus Performance in Community and Student Engagement

Paredes Middle School
10100 S Mary Moore Searight Drive, Austin, TX, 78748

FACTORS | RATINGS
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Fine Arts | Exemplary
Wellness and Physical Education | Exemplary
Community and Parental Involvement | Exemplary
21st Century Workforce Development Program | Exemplary
Second Language Acquisition Program | Exemplary
Digital Learning Environment | Exemplary
Dropdown Prevention Strategies | Exemplary
Educational Programs for Gifted and Talented Students | Exemplary
Compliance | Yes

Overall Performance | Exemplary

This rating system is required by House Bill 5 (see TEC § 39.0545 for details about the law). It allows each campus to showcase the opportunities they provide to students, families, and the community in areas other than standardized testing. Details about the law and rating system can be found at www.austinisd.org/cda/hb5-community-student-engagement.

Campus Demographics
Grade Levels: 6,7,8
Vertical Team: Akins
Trustee District: 6
Enrollment: 961

Austin ISD 2015-2020 Strategic Plan
Core Beliefs
1. All students will graduate college-career-, and life-ready
2. We will create an effective, agile, and responsive organization
3. We will create vibrant relationships critical for successful students and schools

Values
- Whole Child Every Child
- Physical, social, and emotional health and safety
- Equity, diversity, and inclusion
- High expectations for all students, employees, parents/guardians, and community members
- Creativity, collaboration, and innovation
- Community schools
- Life-long learning
Fine Arts: **EXEMPLARY**

- The school provides full time art and music teachers.
- Fine Arts productions or exhibitions: Choir offered 3 concerts this year, Band offered 5 concerts this year.
- Fine Arts community experiences: AISD Band Jamboree which included all HS Marching Bands, Akins Wind Symphony Performance, Austin Symphony at Akins High School Performance.
- Interscholastic activities: UIL Band (Varsity and Non Varsity), UIL Choir.

Wellness & Physical Education: **EXEMPLARY**

- The campus implements a Coordinated Approach to Child Health program and earned a Recognized or Exemplary rating on the Coordinated School Health Survey.
- The FITNESSGRAM assessment is administered to at least 90% of all students in grades 3-12.
- At least 95% of students have completed their required immunizations.
- The campus is designated as No Place for Hate®.
- At least one performance objective to increase health and wellness will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- Community education programs: Tobacco Awareness Week, Heart Health Week, Family Fitness Night.
- Staff fitness and wellness activities: Paredes Cap10K, Family Fitness Night, H2O Staff Challenge.
- Extra physical activities for students: Brain Breaks, ACE morning and afternoon open gym.

Community & Parental Involvement: **EXEMPLARY**

- The school has an active Parent Teacher Association.
- The school employs a Parent Support Specialist, at least half time.
- At least one (1) performance objective to increase community and parental involvement will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- Opportunities to get involved: Operation School Bell, Volunteering, Success Mentoring CIS.
- Regular forms of communication: School Messenger, Letters, Emails.
- Parent informational events: Principal Coffees, Transition Night, Back to School Night.
- Adult learning opportunities: Parent Cloud, Nutrition Workshop, Active Parenting of Teens Workshop.
- Family Fun events: Family Fitness Night, ACE Parent Night, Awards Assemblies.
- Parent educational events: Austin Oaks Hospital Presentations, Metro United Way’s 2-1-1.

21st Century Workforce Development Program: **EXEMPLARY**

- The school displays college pennants, displays diplomas/degrees of staff members, or participates in regular staff college dress days.
- The school provides students and parents, especially first-generation college students, information about postsecondary opportunities.
- Students have mentors from middle or high schools.
- Advanced coursework opportunities: Algebra I, Keyboarding.
- College/Career events: Career Interest Inventory, Success Coaching Mentors.
Second Language Acquisition Program: EXEMPLARY

- All students receiving bilingual/ESL services are supported by a certified bilingual/ESL teacher.
- The school provides expanded opportunities for students to learn Languages Other Than English.
- ELL and non-ELL students participate together in music, art, and PE classes.
- The school has an active Language Proficiency Assessment Committee that meets TEA expectations.
- TEA approved language program: Dual Language
- Cultural awareness programs/special events: Monday Meeting Hispanic Heritage Month, Veterans Day Celebration

Digital Learning Environment: EXEMPLARY

- At least one (1) performance objective to improve the digital learning environment will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- Career & Technical Education course offerings: Media, Video Game Design, Web Design

Dropout Prevention Strategies: EXEMPLARY

- All students identified as struggling in reading or writing are provided specialized instruction or intervention.
- The school provides a full-time Dropout Prevention Specialist or Parent Support Specialist.
- At least one (1) performance objective to either increase dropout prevention strategies or improve attendance will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- Mentorship program: Peer Mentoring Math Leaders
- Intervention support: SSI District Summer School and Tutoring
- Activities to promote an emotionally healthy environment: No Place for Hate, SEL, Monday Morning Meetings focused on SEL/Character Education

Educational Programs for Gifted & Talented Students: EXEMPLARY

- GT Program Student Assessment: Exemplary
- GT Program Service Design: Exemplary
- GT Program Curriculum and Instruction: Exemplary
- GT Program Family-Community Involvement: Exemplary
- At least one (1) performance objective implementing advanced academic strategies and resources will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- Extracurricular enrichment activities: Leadership Advisory, STEM Competitions
- Academic competitions: DUKE TIP, Regional Science Fair
- Parent and community outreach: College Readiness, College Readiness
**Compliance: YES**

- The school’s current year Campus Improvement Plan is complete and has been approved by the district.
- The school complies with mandatory dissemination of annual TEA School Report Cards.
- Parents are provided opportunities for their children to receive free immunizations, vision screening, and hearing screening.
- At least 80% of teachers are rated Proficient/Effective or better on the Professional Development and Appraisal System or Professional Pathways for Teachers evaluation system.
- The school has an active Campus Advisory Council that meets state and district requirements.
- Campus budget deadlines are met.
- Students identified by the §504 committee as being dyslexic are provided appropriate services.
- The school meets or exceeds Highly Qualified professional development standards.
- The school provides special education programs that meet the individual needs of its special education students.

### Overall Community & Student Engagement Rating

**EXEMPLARY**

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### AISD District Ratings

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- **Overall**: Exemplary

### How were the criteria for these ratings developed?

The legislation did not permit TEA to determine the criteria for these evaluations; criteria were to be developed by a local committee. The AISD District Advisory Council (DAC) was identified as the local committee.

**October 2013**: A DAC subcommittee made up of parents, teachers, staff, and community members met to discuss the new law and come up with a proposed framework.

**December 2013**: All district principals participated in workshops to help develop a list of ten indicators for each of the nine factors.

**January 2014**: Content experts were consulted to provide feedback and suggest improvements on the list of indicators. The DAC subcommittee reviewed the feedback and made modifications.

**February 2014**: The full DAC voted to accept the recommendation of the subcommittee. The proposed list of indicators was presented to Senior Cabinet, Principals, and Campus Advisory Councils.

**March 2014**: Community input was gathered through the district’s website. Feedback from these groups was integrated.

**April 2014**: The proposed plan was taken to the Board of Trustees for discussion and feedback.

The 2013-14 school year served as a baseline year for this process. In 2014-15, the **DAC re-evaluated** the list of indicators and decided to maintain them for an additional **two years**.