Evaluation of Campus Performance in Community and Student Engagement

Zavala Elementary School
310 Robert T Martinez Jr Street, Austin, TX, 78702

**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
Dropout 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: PK, K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 |
| Vertical Team: Eastside |
| Trustee District: 2 |
| Enrollment: 357 |

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 offers sequential instruction in three (3) or more fine arts disciplines.
- The Creative Learning Initiative Arts Inventory is completed and data is used to inform practice.
- Fine arts instruction and/or creative learning strategies will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- Fine Arts productions or exhibitions: Fine arts curriculum in grades K-5 (Art exhibits/music shows), The Creative Learning Initiative: Dance and Theater shows
- Fine Arts community experiences: UT Shakespeare club at Windale, Austin ISD Youth Art Month Celebration and Art Show, Fine Arts Career exploration: Reading Rally Day
- Creative writing/literary publications: Zavala Poetry Night, Student Monthly Published Journals/Parent School Newsletters
- Interscholastic activities: EMVT STEAM Challenge Competitions (Fall/Spring), Austin 2017 Poster/Essay Contest
- Fine Arts career exploration: Fine Arts Career Exploration: Reading Rally

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.
- The campus has an active Coordinated School Health team.
- 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: Marathon Kids/CATCH Night, Dell Children’s Program: Early Start to a Bright Future, Dell Children’s Hospital: Eat, Play, be Healthy Family Night
- Staff fitness and wellness activities: SETON: Annual Health risk assessment and screenings, Camp Gladiator Fitness program, Wellness programs: Zumba, cross fit, work out Wednesdays
- Extra physical activities for students: Extra physical activities: Recess & WOW time, Brain Breaks: GoNoodle

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 Field trips & School Garden Days, UT Student Engineers Educating Kids: Mentor Program, Parent Teacher Association: Family Dance & Concert Events
- Regular forms of communication: Weekly School Messenger: Phone, Text, Email, Monthly Parent Newsletters & Grade Level Bulletins, Parent Support Specialist Information Bulletin & Flyers
- Parent informational events: Family Events: Open House, CATCH Night, STEM/Literacy Night, Monthly Principal Coffee Talks, Monthly Social and Emotional Parent Learning Events
- Adult learning opportunities: Campus Parent Training: Attendance Matters School Event, Nutritional/Fitness Family Courses, Parent Computer Skills development courses
- Family Fun events: Zavala Family Fall Fest/ Spring Reading Rally, Family Night: Multicultural Concerts, Family Movie Nights/ Evening Community Chats/Academic Nights
- Parent educational events: Communities in School: Resources for student disorders, Community sessions on Dyslexia and school services

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.
- Students at the school have access to Project Based Learning.
- At least one (1) performance objective to increase 21st Century Workforce Development will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- College/Career events: Fine Arts Career Exploration day: Reading Rally, Career Mentorship Programs: UT, Seedling, Technology Fields
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.
- At least 80% of campus bilingual/ESL teachers receive professional development in sheltered instruction.
- At least one (1) performance objective to increase second language acquisition will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- TEA approved language program: TEA Approved Language Program: Bilingual Late-Exit
- Opportunity for developing international relationships: Partnership: Eagle Scouts Troop 70 for Campus Projects
- Cultural awareness programs/special events: Fall Hispanic Heritage Awareness Month/Academia Cuauhtli, Spring Black History Month Family Night, Partnership: Eagle Scouts Troop 70 for Campus Projects

Digital Learning Environment: EXEMPLARY

- The school provides training for staff and activities or programs for students on how to recognize and prevent cyberbullying.
- Elementary students have access to computers for at least one (1) hour per week.
- At least one (1) performance objective to improve the digital learning environment will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- Web-based learning opportunities: Reading Program: Istation, Math Program: Think Through Math, Reading Program: Myon

Dropout Prevention Strategies: EXEMPLARY

- All students identified as struggling in reading or writing are provided specialized instruction or intervention.
- The school provides training for staff and activities or programs for students on how to recognize and prevent bullying.
- The school has implemented a Positive Behavior Support system.
- At least one (1) performance objective to increase dropout prevention strategies or improve attendance will be included in the 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plan.
- Mentorship program: UT Longhorn Network Mentorship, and Seedling Mentors
- Intervention support: After school STAAR Tutoring (Math, Science, Reading, Writing)
- Activities to promote an emotionally healthy environment: Fall and Spring Campus “No Place for Hate” Events, Weekly Classroom Lessons: Social and Emotional Learning, Second Step 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 Professional Development: Exemplary
- GT Program Family-Community Involvement: Recognized
- 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: Film Kids Through Creative Learning Initiative, Zavala Bluebonnet Book Club
- Academic competitions: Austin Energy: Regional Science Fair, EMVT STEM Challenges/Computer Programming-Coding
- Parent and community outreach: GT Family Showcase: Film Kids Productions, GT Family Showcase: Film Kids Productions
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.