# **Blanton Elementary School**



## Educational Suitability and Facility Condition Assessments - 2021



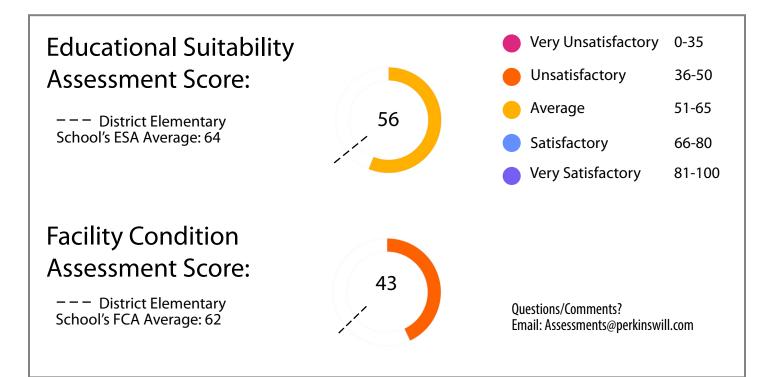
### **Facility Summary**

Blanton Elementary School, serving an enrollment of approximately 600 students, is in northeast Austin off Westminster Drive. This school is part of a diverse community of bilingual students and has aligned its educational programming with the district's Creative Learning and Early College High School initiatives. The original design of the building (which was built in 1964), poses a few challenges for the students and teachers. Main communal spaces – gym, cafeteria and library – are all undersized per the Ed Spec, leaving no location for assemblies or community meetings. Studios in the main building are also undersized, but all have access to exterior views and sunlight. The annex studio space is newer, but the layout creates acoustic separation issues. Building Address: 5408 Westminster Drive Austin, TX 78723

Building Square Footage:	71,500 SF
Site Acreage:	8 Acres
Date of First Construction:	1964

#### Student Demographics:

Demographic	Percentage
African American	7.4%
Hispanic	52.0%
White	32.6%
American Indian	0.7%
Asian	1.3%
Pacific Islander	0.5%
Two or More Races	5.5%
Economically Disadvantaged	49.3%
English Language Learners	28.9%
Special Education	7.7%
Enrollment	598



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The ESA evaluates how well a facility supports teaching and learning using the district's Educational Specifications as the standard. It includes items such as the exterior, general building, security, controllability of lighting, furniture, academic and administrative spaces, and technology.

The FCA evaluates the physical condition of a facility to measure what systems are broken, aging, etc. This includes items such as roofing, heating and air conditioning, plumbing, electrical, site drainage, and parking.

Both assessments incorporate data, staff interviews, facility walk-throughs, cost-estimating, and analysis.

