

**PUBLIC NOTICE
HITCHCOCK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
8117 HIGHWAY 6
HITCHCOCK, TEXAS 77563**

Notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing to Present the Hitchcock ISD's State Financial Accountability Rating Pursuant to the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST), a Public Hearing on the High School Equivalency Program, and a Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Hitchcock Independent School District of Galveston County to be held at the Hitchcock ISD Boardroom/Conference Facility located at 8004 North Railroad, Hitchcock, Texas on Tuesday, October 20, 2009, commencing at 6:30 PM. The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. (Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.)

**Public Hearing to Present Hitchcock ISD's State Financial Accountability Rating
Pursuant to the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) for 2007-2008;
Public Hearing on the High School Equivalency Program; and
Regular Meeting of
Tuesday, October 20, 2009
6:30 PM**

AGENDA

**If you have any questions regarding an agenda item, please contact Dr. Michael Bergman, Superintendent.*

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I.	Call to Order Announcement by the president as to the presence of a quorum, that the meeting has been duly called, and that the notice of the meeting has been posted in the manner prescribed by law. <i>Board members, staff, and patrons are requested to turn off all cell phones. The purpose of this meeting is for the Board of Trustees to conduct the business of the school district. Patrons may only be recognized when Public Participation is an agenda item, and only after having duly registered with the meeting's recording secretary.</i>	
II.	Pledge of Allegiance A. United States Flag B. Texas Flag <i>"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."</i>	
III.	Recognitions Above & Beyond Citizen Award—September 2009 and October 2009	1
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X.		Discussion/Possible Action	
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XI. Closed Session for the purposes permitted as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section:

551.074 Personnel

- Employment of new professional employee(s) for the 2009-2010 school year
- Employment of campus principal—Crosby Middle School for the 2009-2010 school year

XII. Reconvene from Closed Session for action, if any, from Closed Session

XIII. Suggested Future Agenda Items

XIV. Announcements

XV. Adjourn

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Sub-chapters D and E.

Witness by hand and the official seal of the District this 16th day of October 2009.

Michael F. Bergman, Ed.D., Superintendent