



SPRING BRANCH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

District Improvement Team (DIT)

Meeting

December 2, 2021

Agenda

- District Update
- Book Selection
- Human Sexuality Instruction



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District Update



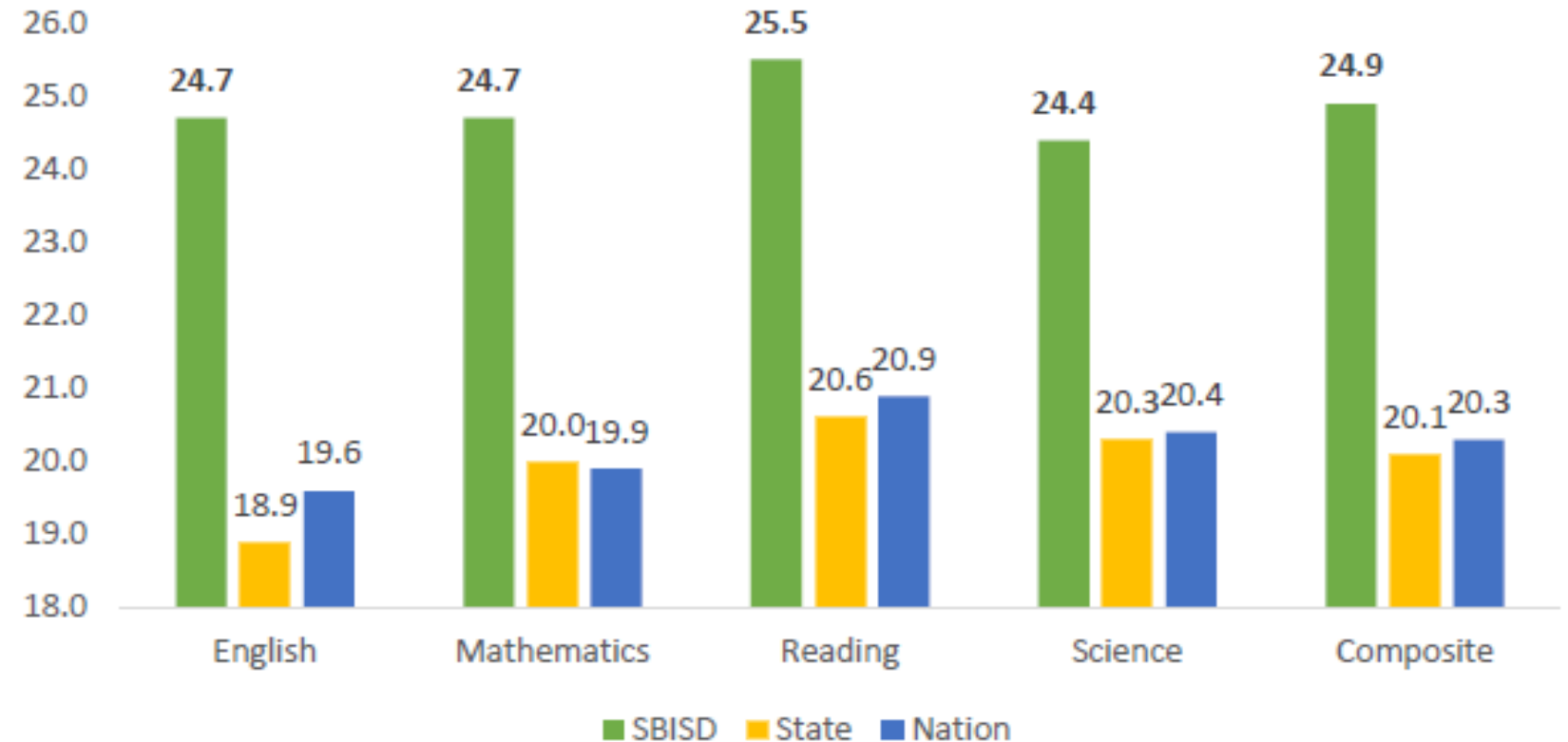
ACT Class of 2021

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- **Average Scores** For EVERY Tested Subject and Composite Score
 - Exceeded State and Nation Averages
 - Were the Highest Averages in the Last Five Years

Average ACT Scores by District, State, and Nation: Class of 2021

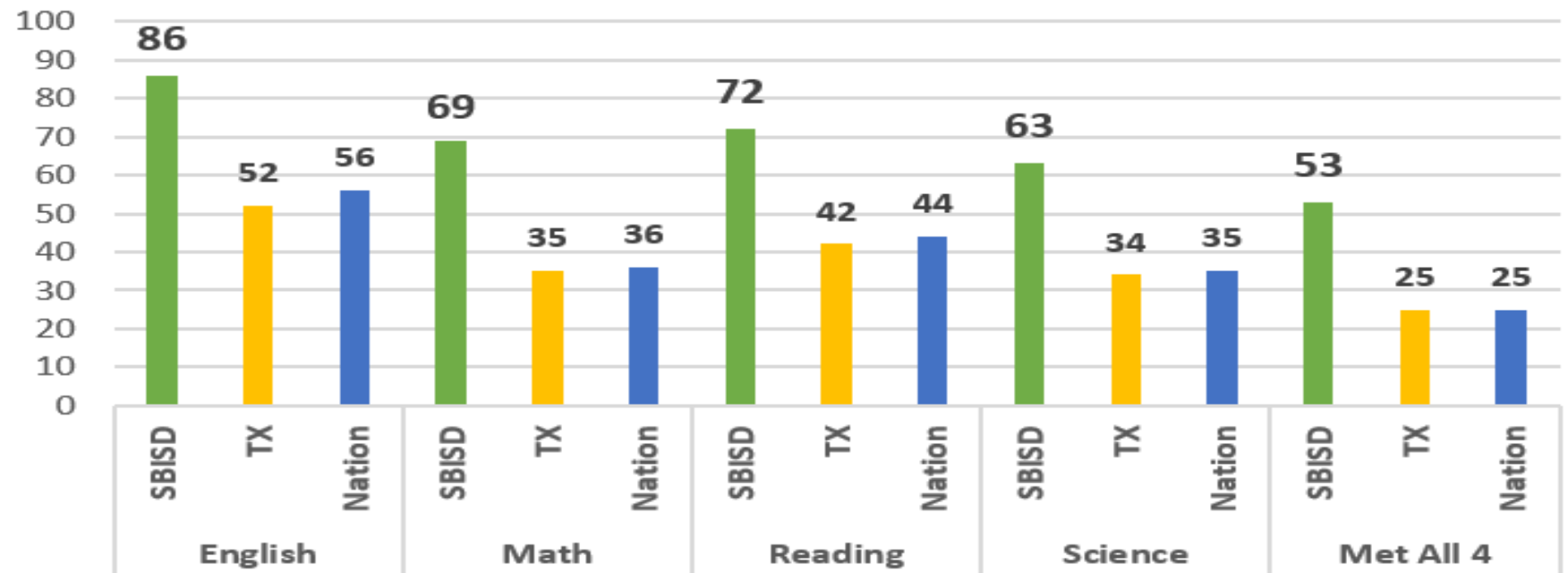


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- The Percentage of SBISD Students Meeting or Exceeding **College Readiness Benchmarks** Exceeded the State and Nation in Every Subject Tested by up to 34 Points
- The Percentage of Students Meeting All 4 was More Than Double the State and Nation

Percent of Students Meeting ACT College Readiness Benchmarks - Class of 2021

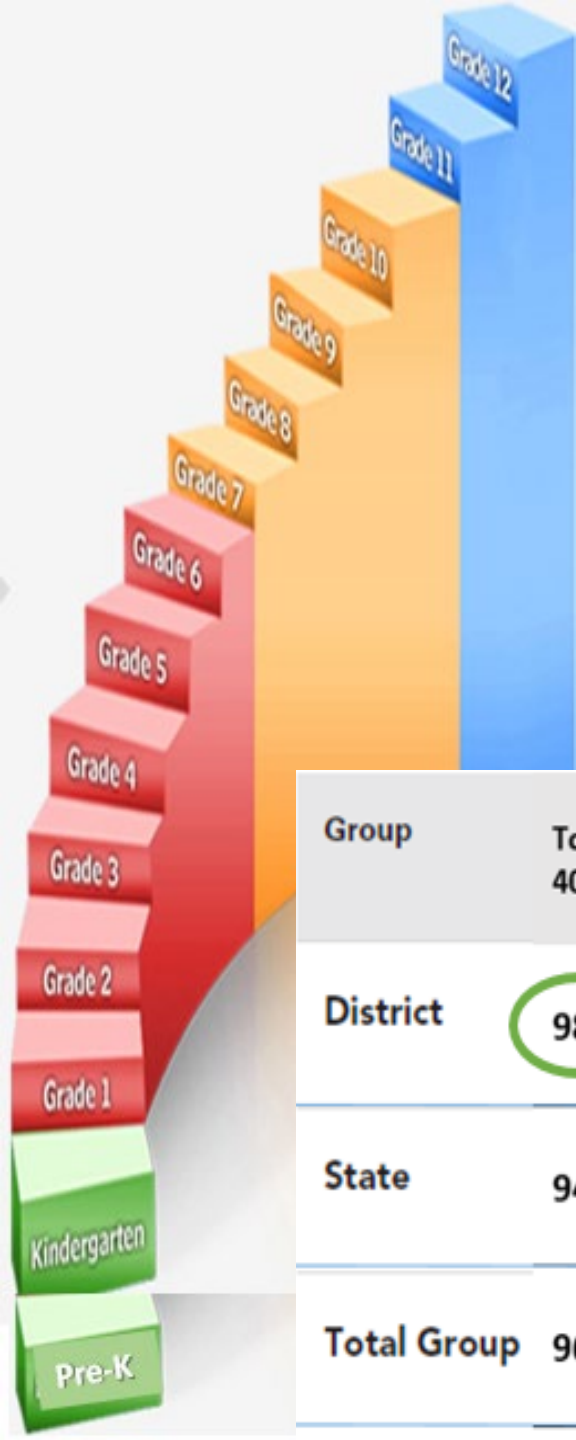


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- 773 12th Graders, More Than One-Third of the Senior Class, Participated
- SBISD Outperformed State and Total Group Averages in **Total Score, Evidence Based Reading and Writing, and Math**
- SBISD Exceeded State and Total Group in Meeting Every **College Ready Benchmark Category**:
 - More than one-third, 35%, in Math
 - More than half, 52%, in Evidence Based Reading and Writing
 - Nearly one-third, 32%, Met College Ready Benchmarks in Both

Group	Total Score 400-1600	ERW Score 200-800	Math Score 200-800	Met Both Benchmarks	ERW Benchmark (480)	Math Benchmark (530)
District	987	493	494	32% Met Both	Met 52% Approaching 10% Strengthen Skills 38%	Met 35% Approaching 9% Strengthen Skills 55%
State	944	478	465	22% Met Both	Met 46% Approaching 10% Strengthen Skills 44%	Met 24% Approaching 9% Strengthen Skills 67%
Total Group	962	490	471	27% Met Both	Met 49% Approaching 9% Strengthen Skills 42%	Met 28% Approaching 7% Strengthen Skills 65%



BOOK SELECTION



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Book Selection

- To date, the district has received five formal book challenges.
- Two of the book challenges are still in the reconsideration process.
- Principals and librarians are aware that EF policies guide the reconsideration process and have been told that if they have concerns about a book, they are also able to challenge a resource (as allowed by policy).
- A team is working to revise Board Policy EF (LOCAL) and to draft an entirely new EF (REGULATION).

Layers of Board Policy

Legal

Local

Regulation

Exhibit

Book Selection

Developing and Revising Policies

- Continued cycles of review are in progress.
- A subcommittee of librarians began the process followed by feedback from senior staff, conversations with principals, and meetings with Board members who serve as policy liaisons.
- Once a final working draft is complete, EF (LOCAL) will be posted online for thirty days for public feedback. The Board must have three public readings before adopting a revised policy.

Human Sexuality Instruction



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Human Sexuality Instruction

As required under HB 1525, passed by the 87th Legislature, Trustees will be asked to approve a resolution at their Dec. 13, 2021 Regular Meeting to convene the DSHAC to recommend curriculum materials for human sexuality instruction.

Background Information:

- Under this resolution, the DSHAC will review and recommend human sexuality instructional materials to be used by secondary students as well as resources for 5th grade human growth and development instruction.
- DSHAC recommendations will be presented for Board consideration in Spring 2022, following two public DSHAC meetings and an opportunity for stakeholders to review and provide feedback on instructional materials under consideration.
- As required under HB 1525, parents will be required to opt-in for their child to participate in human sexuality instruction in grades 6-8. To align our practices, SBISD also will adopt an opt-in approach for 5th grade human growth and development instruction.
- The district historically has followed an abstinence-based approach.
- During the week of December 6, letters will go out to parents of students in grades 6-8 to opt in for their children to participate in this instruction for Spring 2022.

Human Sexuality Curriculum

- Abstinence-based
- Taught in grades 6-8
- Once-a-week lessons, during Health Fitness classes starting in February
- Parents/guardians must consent by Opt-In
- Curriculum for Level 1 Instruction is linked to the parent form for viewing and is also included on the [Public DSHAC Website](#)



Parent Consent Form Regarding Middle School Human Sexuality Instruction

Opt In ☒

Dear Parent/Guardian:

In accordance with EHAA(LOCAL), the Spring Branch Independent School District provides human sexuality instruction in compliance with law and Board policy. As required by law, the District must obtain written consent before a student can be provided human sexuality instruction.

Your child is scheduled to receive Level I human sexuality instruction one day each week beginning February 2, 2022 and ending March 9, 2022.

If we do not receive your signed consent below by January 7, 2022, the student will not be permitted to participate in the human sexuality instruction and will be assigned an alternative instructional activity.

For a detailed description of the content of the District's human sexuality instruction, see the District's Level I human sexuality instruction website at <http://links.etr.org?IYG>.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Please return the completed form below if you consent to human sexuality instruction for your child.

I, _____ (parent), give permission for my child, _____
(student's name), to be provided with human sexuality instruction as described above.

Parent's name: _____

Parent's signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent's contact information
(phone/email): _____

District School Health Advisory Council (DSHAC)

What is a DSHAC?

- Required by law and governed by legal and local policy, a DSHAC is a group of individuals representing segments of the community who provide advice to the district on coordinated school health programming and its impact on student health and learning.

In SBISD, the DSHAC is comprised of a school board trustee, SBISD parents, community partners, and representatives from Child Nutrition Services, Systems of Care, Health Fitness, Safety and Security, SBISD Police Department, Community Engagement, Guidance and Counseling, and Student Support.

Timelines

For Current School Year, 2021-2022

- **December 2021** Parent opt-In letters sent home for students in grades 6-8
 - Letters collected through January 7, 2022
- **February and March 2022** Human sexuality instruction delivered in Health Fitness classes, grades 6-8, for those who opt in
 - Resource: It's Your Game, Level 1

For Curriculum Selections/Approvals

- **December 13th** Board meeting - EHAA Resolution
 - To convene the DSHAC for 2 meetings to discuss and recommend Human Sexuality Curriculum
- **January 17th-21st** Additional opportunity for public display and comment
- **March 2022** Board approval of health and human sexuality resources

Discussion

