



**GEORGETOWN**  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**School FIRST 2023 Report  
Public Hearing  
October 16, 2023**

**Rating based on 2021-22 data**

# Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas

- ❖ **FIRST** is an accountability rating system developed by TEA in 1999 that holds school districts accountable for the quality of their financial management practices and actual improved performance.
- ❖ Ratings based on 20 indicators established by the Commissioner of Education.



# Types of Ratings

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- ❖ **A for Superior Achievement** is the highest possible score and recognizes the districts with the highest financial integrity.
- ❖ **B for Above Standard Achievement** indicates that the district has performed significantly above the minimum passing score.
- ❖ **C for Standard Achievement** is the minimum passing score and indicates that the district meets the minimum passing standard for financial integrity.
- ❖ **F for Substandard Achievement** indicates the school district did not pass FIRST for the applicable rating year

# FIRST Indicator Categories

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## ❖ Critical Indicators

Indicators 1 – 4 Yes/No, Failure to meet requirements of any of these results in an overall F Substandard rating.

\*Indicator 5 is not being scored

## ❖ Solvency Indicators

Indicators 6 – 20, points range from 0 – 10

\*Indicators 10, 14, 15 are not being scored

# Georgetown ISD 2022 Rating

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**A = Superior Achievement**

**With a score of 98 out of 100**

**Ceiling Indicators**

Ceiling Points for indicator 4	100
Ceiling Points for indicator 5	100
Ceiling Points for indicator 6	100
Ceiling Points for indicator 16	100
Ceiling Points for indicator 17	100
Ceiling Points for indicator 20	100
Total Points	98
Were all critical indicators passed?	Yes

# Indicator 1: Filing the Annual Financial Report and Electronic Data Feed

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Was the complete annual financial report (AFR) and data submitted to the TEA within 30 days of the November 27 or January 28 deadline depending on the school district's fiscal year end date of June 30 or August 31, respectively?

**Yes, the AFR was submitted 11/07/22**

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## Indicator 2: Review the Annual Financial Report

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*2. Was there an unmodified opinion in the AFR on the financial statements as a whole?*

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**Yes, received a “clean audit”**

## Indicator 3: Default on Debt

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*Was the school district in compliance with the payment terms of all debt agreements at fiscal year end?*

**Yes**



## Indicator 4: Timely Payment

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*Did the school district make timely payments to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS), Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and other government agencies?*

**Yes**

## Indicator 5: Unrestricted Net Asset Balance

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*Was the total unrestricted net asset balance (Net of the accretion of interest for capital appreciation bonds) in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Assets greater than zero?*

**This indicator is not being evaluated.**

## Indicator 6: Average Change in Fund Balance

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Was the average change in (assigned and unassigned) fund balances over 3 years less than a 25 percent decrease or did the current year's assigned and unassigned fund balances exceed 75 days of operational expenditures?

(If the school district fails indicator 6, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)

Yes

0.0115 >= -0.25

# Indicator 7: Cash on Hand and Current Investments

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Was the number of days of cash on hand and current investments in the general fund for the school district sufficient to cover operating expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)?

**>=90**

**Score: 10 Points**

Cash Equivalent & Investments	65,100,797	*	365	=	162.0096
Total Expenditures (excluding Facilities & Construction)	146,669,801				

## Indicator 8: Current Assets to Current Liabilities

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Was the measure of current assets to current liabilities ratio for the school district sufficient to cover short-term debt?

**$\geq 3.00$**

**Score: 10 Points**

Current Assets	309,564,559	=	<b>4.2776</b>
Current Liabilities	72,368,471		

## Indicator 9: Cash on Hand

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Did the school district's general fund revenues equal or exceed expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)?  
If not, was the school district's number of days of cash on hand greater than or equal to 60 days?

**162.0096 >= 60**

**Score: 10 Points**

Cash Equivalent & Investments	65,100,797	*	365	=	162.0096
Total Expenditures (excluding Facilities & Construction)	146,669,801				

# Indicator 10: Budgeted Revenues to Actual Revenues

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*Did the school district average less than a 10 percent variance (90% to 110%) when comparing budgeted revenues to actual revenues for the last 3 fiscal years?*

**This indicator is not being evaluated.**

**Score: 10 Points**

# Indicator 11: Long-Term Liability to Total Assets Ratio

Was the ratio of long-term liabilities to total assets for the school district sufficient to support long-term solvency? (If the school district's increase of students in membership over 5 years was 7 percent or more, then the school district passes this indicator.)

**0.0919 >= 0.070**

**Score: 10 Points**

2022 Enrollment	12,566
2018 Enrollment	11,508



# Indicator 12: Debt Per \$100 of Assessed Property Value

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Was the debt per \$100 of assessed property value ratio sufficient to support future debt repayments?

**> 4 <= 7**

**= 4.3377**

**Score: 8 Points**

$$\left( \frac{\text{Total Local \& Intermediate Sources}}{45,810,641} \div \frac{\text{Total Revenue}}{46,094,975} \times \frac{\text{Long Term Liabilities}}{609,797,149} \times 100 \right) \div \text{Assessed Property Value } 13,971,211,999$$

## Indicator 13: Administrative Cost Ratio

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Was the school district's administrative cost ratio equal to or less than the threshold ratio for ADA size 10,000 and above?

**$\leq 0.0855$**

**Score: 10 Points**

District Administrative Cost Ratio	<b>0.0745</b>
Average Daily Attendance	11,247.143

## Indicator 14: Student to Staff Ratio

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Did the school district **not** have a 15 percent decline in the students to staff ratio over 3 years (total enrollment to total staff)? (If the student enrollment did not decrease, the school district will automatically pass this indicator.)

**This indicator is not being evaluated.**

**Score: 10 Points**

## Indicator 15: PEIMS Data Quality

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Was the school district's ADA within the allotted range of the district's biennial pupil projection(s) submitted to TEA? If the district did not submit pupil projections to TEA, did it certify TEA's projections?

**This indicator is not being evaluated.**

**Score: 5 Points**

## Indicator 17: Material Weaknesses Noted On Annual Financial Report (AFR)

Did the external independent auditor report that the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting and compliance for local, state, or federal funds? (The AICPA defines material weakness.) (If the school district fails indicator 17, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard Achievement.)

**Passed**

## Indicator 18: Material Noncompliance Noted On Annual Financial Report (AFR)

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*Did the external independent auditor indicate the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material noncompliance for grants, contracts, and laws related to local, state, or federal funds? (The AICPA defines material noncompliance.)*

**Passed**

**Score: 10 Points**

## Indicator 19: Financial Information Website Posting

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*Did the school district post the required financial information on its website in accordance with Government Code, Local Government Code, Texas Education Code, Texas Administrative Code and other statutes, laws and rules that were in effect at the school district's fiscal year end?*

**Yes**

**Score: 5 Points**

## Indicator 20: Impact to Funding Discussion

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*Did the school district's administration and school board members discuss any changes and/or impact to local, state, and federal funding at a board meeting within 120 days before the district adopted its budget?*

**Passed**



# Required Disclosures

## Board Member and Superintendent Disclosures

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### Superintendent's Employment Contract

A copy of the superintendent's current employment contract at the time of the School FIRST hearing is to be provided. In lieu of publication in the annual School FIRST financial management report, the school district may chose to publish the superintendent's employment contract on the school district's Internet site. If published on the Internet, the contract is to remain accessible for twelve months.

*The Superintendent's Employment Contract is available on the District's webpage found at the following link:*

<https://www.georgetownisd.org/Domain/79>

# Reimbursements Received by the Superintendent and Board Members for Fiscal Year 2022

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Description of Reimbursements	Fred Brent	Stephen Benold	Stephanie Blanck	Melanie Dunham/Conner	Cody Hirt	Jen Mauldin	Elizabeth McFarland	James Scherer	Scott Stribling	Andy Webb
<b>Meals</b>	\$435.14	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Lodging</b>	\$2,559.91	\$596.04	\$596.04	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$565.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.65
<b>Transportation</b>	\$948.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$272.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Motor Fuel</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Other (includes membership dues)</b>	\$13,252.85	\$1,295.00	\$1,670.00	\$460.00	\$0.00	\$1,235.00	\$435.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,196.86</b>	<b>\$1,891.04</b>	<b>\$2,266.04</b>	<b>\$460.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,235.00</b>	<b>\$1,272.67</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,000.65</b>

**Meals** – Meals consumed off of the school district’s premises, and in-district meals at area restaurants.

**Lodging** - Hotel charges.

**Transportation** - Airfare, car rental (can include fuel on rental), taxis, mileage reimbursements, leased cars, parking and tolls.

**Motor fuel** – Gasoline.

**Other** - Registration fees, telephone/cell phone, internet service, fax machine, and other reimbursements (or on-behalf of) to the superintendent and board member not defined above.

# Board Member and Superintendent Disclosures

- Outside Compensation and/or Fees Received by the Superintendent for Professional Consulting and/or Other Personal Services in Fiscal Year 2022

*None*

Gifts Received by the Executive Officer(s) and Board Members

For the Twelve-Month Period Ended									
June 30, 2022									
	<b>Fred Brent</b>	<b>Stephanie Blanck</b>	<b>Melanie Dunham/Conner</b>	<b>Cody Hirt</b>	<b>Jen Mauldin</b>	<b>Elizabeth McFarland</b>	<b>James Scherer</b>	<b>Scott Stribling</b>	<b>Andy Webb</b>
<b>Summary Amounts</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

# Board Member and Superintendent Disclosures, cont.

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- Business Transactions Between School District and Board Members for Fiscal Year 2022

For the Twelve-Month Period Ended									
June 30, 2021									
	<b>Fred Brent</b>	<b>Stephanie Blanck</b>	<b>Melanie Dunham/Conner</b>	<b>Cody Hirt</b>	<b>Jen Mauldin</b>	<b>Elizabeth McFarland</b>	<b>James Scherer</b>	<b>Scott Stribling</b>	<b>Andy Webb</b>
<b>Summary Amounts</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00