

Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas 2016-2017



Purpose of Financial Accountability Rating System

The primary goal of Schools FIRST is to improve the management of school district's financial resources.

The district's rating is based on upon an analysis of staff and student data reported for the 2015-2016 school year, and budgetary and actual financial data for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2016.

Ensures that districts will be:

- Held accountable for the quality of their financial management practices and
- Achieve improved performance in the management of their financial resources

Financial Management Rating

2015-2016	2016-2017
Name: South San Antonio ISD	Name: South San Antonio ISD
Status: Passed	Status: Passed
Rating: A = Superior	Rating: B = Above Standard
District Score: 78	District Score: 88

Determination of Rating

2015-2016	2016-2017
A: Superior (70-100) *78	A: Superior (90-100)
B: Above Standard (50-69)	B: Above Standard (80-89) *88
C: Meets Standard (31-49)	C: Meets Standard (70-79)
F: Substandard Achievement (<31)	F: Substandard Achievement (<50)

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Was the complete annual financial report (AFR and data submitted to the	Yes	Yes
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?		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ended August		
31, 2016 was filed with the Texas Education Agency within one month of the January 28		
deadline.		

Indicator 2A

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Review the AFR for an unmodified opinion and material weaknesses. The school		
district must pass 2.A to pass this indicator. The school district fails indicator number 2 if it responds "No" to indicator 2.a. or to both indicators 2.A and 2.B.		
Was there an unmodified opinion in the AFR on the financial statements as a whole? (The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) define unmodified opinion. The external independent auditor determines if there was an unmodified opinion.)		Yes
Response: Yes, the opinion expressed by our independent auditors on the August 31, 2016 audit report was an Unmodified Opinion.		
A "qualification" on the financial report means that the District needs to correct some of the reporting data or financial controls. A District's goal, therefore, is to receive an "unmodified" or "unqualified opinion" on its Annual Financial report.		

Indicator 2B

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Did the external independent auditor report that the AFR was free of any	Yes	Yes
instance(s) of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial		
reporting and compliance for local, state, or federal funds? (The AICPA		
defines material weakness.)		
Response: Yes, our independent auditors reported that the August 31, 2016 AFR was free		
of any instance(s) of material weakness in internal controls.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Was the school district in compliance with the payment terms of all debt agreemen	nts Yes	Yes
at fiscal year end? (If the school district was in default in a prior fiscal year,	an	
exemption applies in following years if the school district is current on its forbearar	ice	
or payment plan with the lender and the payments are made on schedule for t	he	
fiscal year being rated. Also exempted are technical defaults that are not related	to	
monetary defaults. A technical default is a failure to uphold the terms of a default	ebt	
covenant, contract, or master promissory note even though payments to the lend	er,	
trust, or sinking fund are current. A debt agreement is a legal agreement between	n a	
debtor (person, company, etc. that owes money) and their creditors, which include	s a	
plan for paying back the debt.)		
Response: South San Antonio ISD had no instance of default on bond	ed	
indebtedness obligations for fiscal year ending 2016.		
This indicator seeks compliance with laws, rules, and regulations.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Did the school district make timely payments to the Teachers Retir	ement Yes	Yes
System (TRS), Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), Internal Re	evenue	
Service (IRS), and other government agencies?		
Response: South San Antonio ISD made timely payments to government agend	cies for	
the fiscal year ending 2016.		
This indicator will be considered PASSED if the district made timely payments	s to the	
TRS, TWC, IRS, and other governmental agencies.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Was the total unrestricted net position balance (Net of the accretion of	Yes	Yes
interest for capital appreciation bonds) in the governmental activities		
column in the Statement of Net Position greater than zero? (If the school		
district's change of students in membership over 5 years was 10 percent or		
more, then the school district passes this indicator.)		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's total unrestricted net asset balance (net of accretion		
of interest) in the Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Assets was greater than zero. The net asset balance for 2016 was \$31,292,318.		
This indicator seeks to make certain that SSAISD paid bills/obligations on bonds issued to pay for school construction, etc.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Was the number of days of cash on hand and current investments in the	10	10
general fund for the school district sufficient to cover operating expenditures		
(excluding facilities acquisition and construction)?		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's number of days of cash on hand is 134.23 days for		
fiscal year ended 2016.		
This indicator focuses on the solvency of the entity by calculating days cash on hand and		
assigns points based on greater than or equal to 90 days being worth 10 points.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Was the measure of current assets to current liabilities ratio for the school	4	4
district sufficient to cover short-term debt?		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's measure of current assets to current liabilities ratio		
was 1.8524 for 2016.		
This indicator is a standard ratio used in commercial lending that calculates the district's		
current ratio and assigns points based on greater than or equal to 3 being worth 10		
points.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Was the ratio of long-term liabilities to total assets for the school district	6	6
sufficient to support long-term solvency? (If the school district's change of		
students in membership over 5 years was 10 percent or more, then the		
school district passes this indicator.)		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's ratio of long-term liabilities to total assets was 0.7404		
for 2016.		
This indicator calculates the district's ratio of long-term liabilities to total assets and assigns points based on less than or equal to 0.80 being worth 10 points.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Did the school district's general fund revenues equal or exceed expend	ditures 10	10
(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 d	ays?	
Response: South San Antonio ISD's ratio for the 2016 school year was 4.26%.		
This indicator seeks to prove that general fund revenue equal or exceed expendituassigns points based on greater or equal to 0.00% being worth 10 points.	ires and	

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Was the debt service coverage ratio sufficient to meet the required debt	10	10
service?		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's ratio for the 2016 school year was 1.7038.		
This indicator calculates the debt service coverage ratio and assigns points based on		
greater or equal to 1.20 being worth 10 points.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Was the school district's administrative cost ratio equal to or less than the	8	8
threshold ratio?		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's administrative cost ratio was 11.63 for 2016.		
TEA and state law sets a cap on the percentage of their budget that Texas school districts can spend on administration based on district size. For districts in South San		
Antonio ISD's category, the administrative cost ratio should fall below 10.00 to be		
awarded the 10 points.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Did the school district not have a 15 percent decline in the students to staff	10	10
ratio over 3 years (total enrollment to total staff)? (If the student		
enrollment did not decrease, the school district will automatically pass this		
indicator.)		
Response: South San Antonio ISD had a 0.76% decline in students to staff ratio over 3		
years.		
This indicator calculates the student to staff ratio over 3 year period and assigns 10		
points if district has less than 15% decline.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Did the comparison of Public Education Information Management System	10	10
(PEIMS) data to like information in the school district's AFR result in a total		
variance of less than 3 percent of all expenditures by function?		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's data quality measure was 0.00% for 2016 far below the allowable three percent variation.		
This indicator measures the quality of data reported to PEIMS and in the Annual		
Financial Report to make certain that the data reported in each case "matches up." If		
the difference in numbers reported in any funds type is more than three percent, the		
district fails this measure and receives zero points.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Did the external independent auditor indicate the AFR was free of any	0	10
instance(s) of material noncompliance for grants, contract, and laws related		
to local, state, or federal funds? (The AICPA defines material		
noncompliance.)		
Response: South San Antonio ISD's external auditors indicated the AFR was free of material non-compliance for 2016.		
This indicator covers material noncompliance in local, state, and federal funds in the		
AFR and awards points based on free of any instances being worth 10 points.		

Indicator Description	15-16	16-17
Did the school district not receive an adjusted repayment schedule for more	10	10
than one fiscal year for an over allocation of Foundation School Program		
(FSP) funds as a result of a financial hardship?		
Response: South San Antonio ISD did not receive an adjusted repayment schedule for		
more than one fiscal year for an over allocation of Foundation School Program funds as		
a result of a financial hardship during 2016.		
This indicator identifies school districts that cannot repay FSP funds without requesting		
an adjustment to their current repayment plan of FSP funds with the TEA and awards 10 points for not receiving an adjusted repayment schedule.		
points joi mot receiving an adjosted repayment seneabter	Total	Total
	Score	Score
	78	88

Reimbursements Received by the Superintendent and Board Members

Description	Dr. Abelardo Saavedra Superintendent	Stacy Estrada Board Member	Leticia Guerra Board Member	Carlos Longoria Board Member	Helen Madla-Prather Board Member	Trinidad Mata Board Member	Connie Prado Board Member	Angelina Osteguin Board Member
Meals	\$ 146.84	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 121.26	\$ -	\$ 167.18	\$ 69.77	\$ 86.80
Lodging	1,734.44	1,039.06	1,109.75	1,089.47	656.64	1,219.41	1,100.33	721.05
Transportation	1,348.05	-	291.21	351.67	110.60	281.26	319.48	249.33
Motor Fuel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	1,129.37	835.68	885.68	265.00	485.68	835.68	835.68	635.68
Total	\$ 4,358.70	\$ 1,874.74	\$ 2,436.64	\$ 1,827.40	\$1,252.92	\$ 2,503.53	\$ 2,325.26	\$ 1,692.86

Gifts Received by the Superintendent and Board Members

		Dr. Abelardo	Stacy	Leticia	Carlos	Helen	Trinidad	Connie	Angelina
		Saavedra	Estrada	Guerra	Longoria	Madla-Prather	Mata	Prado	Osteguin
De	scription	Superintendent	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member
Su	mmary of								
An	nounts								

Outside Compensation and/or Fees Received by the Superintendent for Professional Consulting and/or Other Personal Services

Name(s) of Entity(ies)	
	\$ 25,156.00
Total	\$ 25,156.00

Business Transactions Between School District and Board Members

	Stacy	Leticia	Carlos	Helen	Trinidad	Connie	Angelina
	Estrada	Guerra	Longoria	Madla-Prather	Mata	Prado	Osteguin
Description	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member	Board Member
Summary of							
Amounts	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 305.00

Questions