



News Release: 2016 State Accountability Ratings

For Immediate Release

(August 15, 2016) – Crowley ISD continues to exceed state standards in all four of the key academic indexes in the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR), with more campuses achieving success in student progress, closing performance gaps and postsecondary readiness.

Results released today by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) show the district and 17 of its 19 tested campuses have been rated at the top level of “Met Standard” for 2016. ([TEA news release](#))

The TEA has delayed the release of the academic “Distinction Designations.” Many Crowley ISD campuses are expected to receive numerous distinctions. These distinctions are scheduled to be released in September.

District Summary:

- ✓ Index 1 (Student Achievement) – Crowley ISD “Met Standard”
- ✓ Index 2 (Student Progress) – Crowley ISD “Met Standard”
- ✓ Index 3 (Closing Performance Gaps) – Crowley ISD “Met Standard”
- ✓ Index 4 (Postsecondary Readiness) – Crowley ISD “Met Standard”

Campus Summary:

- 89% of tested campuses in Crowley ISD “Met Standard” by meeting all applicable state index targets. *(5-point increase from 2015)*
- Two campuses were rated “Improvement Required” in 2016, compared to three campuses in 2015.
- All of the campuses that were rated “Improvement Required” in 2015 improved to “Met Standard” in 2016.
- 88% of the required campus performance indexes (67 of 76) were met or exceeded by Crowley ISD students. *(1-point increase from 2015)*
 - Index 1 (Student Achievement) – 68% of Crowley ISD’s campuses *(13 of 19)* exceeded state standards. *(18-point decrease from 2015)*
 - Index 2 (Student Progress) – 89% of Crowley ISD’s campuses *(17 of 19)* exceeded state standards. *(15-point increase from 2015)*
 - Index 3 (Closing Performance Gaps) – 95% of Crowley ISD’s campuses *(18 of 19)* exceeded state standards. *(6-point increase from 2015)*
 - Index 4 (Postsecondary Readiness) – 100% of Crowley ISD’s campuses *(19 of 19)* exceeded state standards. *(unchanged from 2015)*

To receive a “Met Standard” rating, districts and campuses must meet the performance index target on either Index 1 or Index 2 as well as the targets on Index 3 and Index 4.

Among Crowley ISD’s campuses, both high schools were rated as “Met Standard,” all three middle schools were rated as “Met Standard,” all four intermediate schools were rated as “Met Standard” while eight out of 10 elementary schools were rated as “Met Standard.” *(See Table 1: District/Campus Overview of 2016 Results)*

2016 ratings apply one of two labels to districts and campuses: “Met Standard” or “Improvement Required” based on performance in four key academic indexes. The TEA has produced a short online video that explains the accountability system. [Click here to watch.](#)

“State tests are just one of the many tools we use in Crowley ISD as we strive to provide our students with excellence in education,” Superintendent Dan Powell said. “These latest results show significant academic gains and highlight specific needs in our schools that will help us identify key areas of intervention and enrichment as we help all students achieve their full potential.”

“But, we will not let ratings from a complicated and controversial state accountability system dictate how we teach students,” Dr. Powell said. “Our educators are committed to increasing levels of student achievement in every classroom across our district regardless of the unpredictable labels assigned to our schools in this constantly changing accountability system.”

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Table 1: District/Campus Overview of 2016 Results

- The district's rating is Met Standard and the rating for each school is shown below. Results for each index are as follows. Please note that green shading in the body of the table indicates that the target was **met**.

District/Campus	2016 Rating	Index 1 Score Student Achievement (Target = 60)	Index 2 Score OR Student Progress (Targets vary*)	Index 3 Score Closing Performance Gaps (Targets vary**)	Index 4** Score Postsecondary Readiness (Targets vary***)
Crowley ISD	Met Standard	65	37	35	73
High Schools					
CHS/CHS 9th	Met Standard	68	22	39	74
NCHS/NCHS 9th	Met Standard	67	24	37	75
Middle Schools					
H.F. Stevens	Met Standard	61	34	28	27
Crowley Middle	Met Standard	59	38	31	25
Summer Creek	Met Standard	70	41	36	42
Intermediate Schools					
Sue Crouch	Met Standard	76	42	41	45
S.H. Crowley	Met Standard	73	38	38	30
David L. Walker	Met Standard	56	35	30	19
Mary Harris	Met Standard	61	43	34	18
Elementary Schools					
Bess Race	Improvement Required	59	31	25	21
Sycamore	Met Standard	82	34	52	37
Deer Creek	Met Standard	67	35	37	34
Meadowcreek	Met Standard	59	43	33	26
Jackie Carden	Met Standard	77	50	43	30
Parkway	Met Standard	58	48	31	23
Oakmont	Met Standard	78	50	50	37
Dallas Park	Met Standard	72	43	39	33
J.A. Hargrave	Improvement Required	55	27	29	16
Sidney H. Poynter	Met Standard	65	36	40	29

*Index 2 targets in 2016 are: District = 22, high schools = 17, middle = 30, intermediate = 30, elementary = 32

** Index 3 targets in 2016 are: District = 28, high schools = 30, middle = 26, intermediate = 26, elementary = 28

***Index 4 targets in 2016 are: District = 60, high schools = 60, middle = 13, intermediate = 13, elementary = 12