

EANES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL FIRST

Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas

2024 RATING and REPORT



EANES
WESTLAKE
INNOVATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Based on Audited Financial Data

For the 2022 - 2023 Fiscal Year

It is the policy of the Eanes Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its employment or in providing education or access to benefits of educational services, activities, and programs. The following persons are designated to handle inquiries, regarding non-discrimination policies:

Title II, Section 504, and Age Act of 1975: Molly May, Asst Superintendent Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment, (512) 732-9020

Title IX: Laurie Lee, Chief Human Resources Officer, (512) 732-9010

Both are officed at EISD Central Administration, 601 Camp Craft Road, Austin, TX 78746

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Annual Financial Management Report 2024 Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Rating

This report includes the following information to assist the public in understanding the FIRST rating system and Eanes ISD's rating:

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Beginning with the 2001-02 fiscal year, the financial health of every school district in Texas is evaluated as part of a financial accountability system known as School FIRST. The primary goal of School FIRST is to achieve quality performance in the management of school districts' financial resources, a goal made more significant due to the complexity of accounting associated with Texas' school finance system.

Eanes ISD has received a rating of

Superior

for 2024, the highest rating a district can achieve. The 2024 rating is based on an analysis of staff, student, budget, and audited financial data for 2022-23. Eanes ISD has received the highest possible rating for all years since 2003, the first year of implementation for the FIRST accountability system.

In 2021, the accountability standards were revised to include 20 indicators as compared to 15 in the prior year. In 2024, one additional indicator was added making it a total of 21 indicators. The FIRST rating is assigned to each school district based on indicators to measure critical financial management practices, ratios, and other indicators. These indicators provide a snapshot of the district's financial stability and management practices and include information about fund balance reserves, the annual financial audit, debt payments, and district expenditures.

Questions regarding the District's FIRST rating may be addressed to: Chris Scott, Chief Financial Officer or Maria Rockstead, Executive Director of Finance at 601 Camp Craft Rd, Austin, TX 78746, (512) 732-9000.

Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas
Overall Statistics
2024 School District Ratings

Ratings	Number of Districts	% Total
A = Superior	870	85.55%
B = Above Standard	82	8.06%
C = Meets Standard	50	4.92%
F = Substandard Achievement	15	1.47%
Totals	1,017	100.00%

RATING YEAR DISTRICT NUMBER



Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas

2023-2024 RATINGS BASED ON SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023 DATA - DISTRICT STATUS DETAIL

Name: EANES ISD(227909)	Publication Level 1: 8/8/2024 6:33:40 PM
Status: Passed	Publication Level 2: 8/8/2024 6:33:40 PM
Rating: A = Superior Achievement	Last Updated: 8/20/2024 2:05:49 PM
District Score: 92	Passing Score: 70

#	Indicator Description	Updated	Score
1	<u>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?</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Yes
2	<u>Was there an unmodified opinion in the AFR on the financial statements as a whole? (The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) defines unmodified opinion. The external independent auditor determines if there was an unmodified opinion.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Yes
3	<u>Was the school district in compliance with the payment terms of all debt agreements 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 forbearance or payment plan with the lender and the payments are made on schedule for the 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 debt covenant, contract, or master promissory note even though payments to the lender, trust, or sinking fund are current. A debt agreement is a legal agreement between a debtor (= person, company, etc. that owes money) and their creditors, which includes a plan for paying back the debt.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Yes
4	<u>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? (If the school district received a warrant hold and the warrant hold was not cleared within 30 days from the date the warrant hold was issued, the school district is considered to not have made timely payments and will fail critical indicator 4. If the school district was issued a warrant hold, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 95 points, A = Superior Achievement, even if the issue surrounding the initial warrant hold was resolved and cleared within 30 days.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Yes Ceiling Passed
			1 Multiplier Sum
5	<u>Was the total net position in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Position (net of accretion of interest for capital appreciation bonds, net pension liability, and other post-employment benefits) greater than zero? (If it is not, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard Achievement, unless the school district has an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership. If the school district has an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership, the</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Ceiling Passed

	<u>maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)</u>		
6	<u>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.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Ceiling Passed
7	<u>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)? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	10
8	<u>Was the measure of current assets to current liabilities ratio for the school district sufficient to cover short-term debt? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	2
9	<u>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? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	10
10	This indicator is not being evaluated.		10
11	<u>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 or 1,000 or more students in membership, then the school district passes this indicator.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	10
12	<u>What is the correlation between future debt requirements and the district's assessed property value?</u>	8/20/2024 2:05:48 PM	10
13	<u>Was the school district's administrative cost ratio equal to or less than the threshold ratio? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.</u>	8/20/2024 2:05:49 PM	10
14	<u>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.</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	10
15	This indicator is not being evaluated.		5
16	<u>Did the comparison of Public Education Information Management System (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? (If the school district fails indicator 16, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Ceiling Passed
17	<u>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 and free from substantial doubt about the school district's ability to continue as a going concern? (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.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Ceiling Passed
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19	<u>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?</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	5

20	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?	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Ceiling Passed
21	Did the school district receive an adjusted repayment schedule for more than one fiscal year for an over-allocation of Foundation School Program (FSP) funds because of a financial hardship?	4/19/2024 6:26:34 PM	Ceiling Passed
			92 Weighted Sum
			1 Multiplier Sum
			(100 Ceiling)
			92 Score

DETERMINATION OF RATING

A.	Did the school district fail any of the critical indicators 1, 2, 3, or 4? If so, the school district's rating is F for Substandard Achievement regardless of points earned.	
B.	Determine the rating by the applicable number of points.	
	A = Superior Achievement	90-100
	B = Above Standard Achievement	80-89
	C = Meets Standard Achievement	70-79
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CEILING INDICATORS

<p>Did the school district meet the criteria for any of the following ceiling indicators 4, 6, 16, 17, 20, or 21? If so, the school district's applicable maximum points and rating are disclosed below. Please note, an F = Substandard Achievement Rating supersedes any rating earned as the result of the school district meeting the criteria of a ceiling indicator.</p>		
Determination of rating based on meeting ceiling criteria.	Maximum Points	Maximum Rating
Indicator 4 (Timely Payments) - School district was issued a warrant hold.	95	A = Superior Achievement
Indicator 6 (Average Change in Fund Balance) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement

Indicator 16 (PEIMS to AFR) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 17 (Material Weaknesses) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	79	C = Meets Standard Achievement
Indicator 20 (Property Values and Tax Discussion) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 21 (FSP Repayment Plan) - Response to indicator is <i>Yes</i> .	70	C = Meets Standard Achievement

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Name: EANES ISD(227909)	Publication Level 1: 8/4/2023 12:02:16 PM
Status: Passed	Publication Level 2: 8/7/2023 3:01:39 PM
Rating: A = Superior Achievement	Last Updated: 8/7/2023 3:01:39 PM
District Score: 90	Passing Score: 70

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			90 Weighted Sum
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	(100 Ceiling)
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Disclosure Requirements

- Copy of Superintendent's Contract
[Current Superintendent Contract](#) Published on District site
- Summary Schedule of Total Reimbursements Received by the Superintendent and each Board Member

Schools FIRST Report									
Total reimbursements or payments made on behalf of current and past Board Members and the Superintendent for Fiscal Year 2022-2023									
For the Twelve-Month Period Ending June 30, 2023									
Description of Reimbursements	Superintendent Dr. Jeff Arnett	Board Member John Havenstrite	Board Member Jennifer Champagne	Board Member Ellen Balthazar	Board Member Heather Sheffield	Board Member James Spradley	Board Member Laura Clark	Board Member Kim McMath	Board Member Diane Hern
Meals	\$ 1,246.59	\$ 55.45	\$ 154.68	\$ 94.72	\$ 150.17	\$ 81.45	\$ 140.17	\$ 161.84	\$ 94.72
Lodging	\$ 1,927.85	\$ -	\$ 1,473.44	\$ 450.08	\$ 1,745.04	\$ 1,423.50	\$ 1,406.69	\$ 543.18	\$ 675.12
Transportation	\$ 1,002.56	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 139.64
Motor Fuel	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other	\$ 2,625.65	\$ 950.00	\$ 1,022.50	\$ 557.50	\$ 497.50	\$ 1,612.50	\$ 1,022.50	\$ 597.50	\$ -
Total	\$ 6,802.65	\$ 1,005.45	\$ 2,650.62	\$ 1,102.30	\$ 2,392.71	\$ 3,147.45	\$ 2,569.36	\$ 1,302.52	\$ 909.48

- Summary Schedule of the Dollar amount of Compensation received by the Superintendent in exchange for Professional Consulting
None to Report
- Total Dollar Amounts of Gifts that had an Economic Value of \$250 or more received by the Superintendent and Board
None to Report
- Summary Schedule of the Dollar Amount of Business Transactions Between a Board Member and School District
None to Report