

School FIRST 2021 Report Public Hearing October 18, 2021

Rating based on 2019-20 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

- ❖ 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

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

Georgetown ISD 2020 Rating

Georgetown ISD received the highest possible rating of

A = Superior Achievement

With a score of **94 out of 100**

Ceiling Indicators

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Ceiling Points for indicator 4	95
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	94
Were all critical indicators passed?	Yes

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

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 01/21/21*

*AFR Due Date Waiver Granted

Indicator 2: Review the Annual Financial Report

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

Yes, received a "clean audit"

Indicator 3: Default on Debt

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

Yes

Indicator 4: Timely Payment

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

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 scored.

Indicator 6: Days Cash on Hand

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 26,384,509 > 26,260,483

Assigned & Unassigned Fund Balance	26,384,509	
Expenditures (net of Capital Outlay)	127,801,021 * 75	26 260 483
	365	20,200,403

Indicator 7: Cash on Hand vs. Current Investments

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	47,341,457				
Total Expenditures (excluding Facilities & Construction)	46,515,327	* 3	365	=	135.2073

Indicator 8: Current Assets to Current Liabilities

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

<3.00 >=2.50

Score: 8 Points

Current Assets	150,689,888	_	2 5516
Current Liabilities	59,056,590	_	2.5516

Indicator 9: Cash on Hand

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?

>=0

Score: 10 Points

Cash Equivalent & Investments	47,341,457			
Total Expenditures (excluding Facilities & Construction)	46,515,327	* 365	=	135.2073

Indicator 10: Budgeted Revenues to Actual Revenues

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

<10%

Score: 10 Points

Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue	Budgeted Revenue	Variance
2017-2018	111,184,898	111,638,712	-0.407%
2018-2019	125,045,257	122,465,345	2.107%
2019-2020	124,082,193	123,033,133	0.853%

Average Variance = 0.851%

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.)

Score: 10 Points

2020 Total Students	12,128
2016 Total Students	10,967
Five-Year Percent Change in Students	10.59%

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

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

>4 <=7
Score: 8 Points

= 4.08

Indicator 13: Administrative Cost Ratio

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

>0.0855 <=0.1105

Score: 8 Points

District Administrative Cost Ratio	0.0912
Average Daily Attendance	11,247

Indicator 14: Student to Staff Ratio

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

Score: 10 Points

2019-2020 Total Enrollment	12,160
2017-2018 Total Enrollment	11,537

Indicator 15: PEIMS Data Quality

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?

<=0.07

Score: 5 Points

Actual ADA 11,369.746
Projected ADA 11,488.792

Indicator 16: PEIMS Data to Like Information in AFR

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.)?

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.)

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

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? (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.)

Indicator 19: Financial Information Website Posting

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: Material Noncompliance Noted On Annual Financial Report (AFR)

Did the school board members discuss the district's property values at a board meeting within 120 days before the district adopted its budget? (If the school district fails indicator 20 the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)

Required Disclosures Board Member and Superintendent Disclosures (Fiscal Year 2019-20)

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 2020

Description of Reimbursements	Fred Brent	Scott Stribling	Andy Webb	Melanie Dunham	Marcos Gonzalez	David Phillips	Ben Stewart	Elizabeth McFarland
Meals	\$327.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15.97
Lodging	\$1,809.99	\$0.00	\$1,212.14	\$684.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$722.67	\$328.42
Transportation	\$1,460.59	\$0.00	\$611.51	\$611.51	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$807.73	\$210.00
Motor Fuel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other (includes membership dues)	\$13,893.88	\$50.00	\$525.00	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$430.00	\$685.00	\$709.98
Total	\$17,492.44	\$50.00	\$2,348.65	\$1,845.81	\$0.00	\$430.00	\$2,215.40	\$1,264.37

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 2020

None

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

For the Twelve- Month Period Ended June 30, 2020								
	Fred Brent	Scott Stribling	Andy Webb	Melanie Dunham	Marcos Gonzalez	David Phillips	Ben Stewart	Elizabeth McFarland
Summary Amounts	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Board Member and Superintendent Disclosures, cont.

 Business Transactions Between School District and Board Members for Fiscal Year 2020

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June 30, 2020								
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