

2015
2016 **Fast Facts**



FBISD

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INSPIRE

Inspired by Our People

As the seventh largest school district in the State of Texas, Fort Bend ISD is proud of our diverse student population, as well as our diverse group of educators. Together, we work collaboratively with our students, parents and community to fulfill our Mission:

FBISD exists to inspire and equip all students to pursue futures beyond what they can imagine.

For more than 55 years, Fort Bend ISD has built a community of learners that is making a difference in our cities and our nation.

Following is a snapshot of our District and a sampling of our many Points of Pride.



BY THE NUMBERS:

- **73,377** Current FBISD student enrollment
- **77,764** Five-year student enrollment projection for 2018
- **84,997** 10-year student enrollment projection for 2023
- Largest employer in Fort Bend County with more than **10,000** full and part-time employees
- FBISD spans **170** square miles
- **75** FBISD schools (46 elementary, 14 middle schools, 11 high schools and 4 unique programs)
- **93** FBISD facilities total with 221 permanent buildings
- **11,233,542** Total permanent square feet for FBISD facilities
- **1,757** Total acres maintained by FBISD

Sound Fiscal Management:

- 2015-2016 Operating Budget is \$580,408,153*
- 64% of M&O budget allotted to instruction
- \$7,909 Expenditure per student
- Starting teacher salary is \$50,500

*includes salary increase of 2% for all employees

District's tax rate is among lowest in the Houston area and has remained at its current level for the past five years

FBISD's overall tax rate of \$1.34 per \$100 valuation, which includes a debt service tax rate of 30 cents combined with the District's \$1.04 M&O tax rate, will remain at its current level for 2015-2016.



Student Information

Our Students (Spring 2015)

Bilingual	4.14%
ESL	10.35%
Career & Technical Education (eligible students grades 7-12)	54.89%
Economically Disadvantaged	37.8%
Gifted & Talented	7%
Limited English Proficiency (LEP)	15.5%
Special Education	6.3%
Number of Languages Spoken	95

One Family...Many Faces

In Fort Bend ISD, recognizing and appreciating cultural differences is a way of life. As a multicultural school district, our students represent various countries from around the world and speak more than 90 languages and dialects, making FBISD one of the most culturally diverse school districts in the state of Texas.

FBISD is a majority-minority school district:



2015 FBISD Ethnicity

- .75% American Indian/Alaska Native
- 23.46% Asian
- 26.92% Black
- .32% ... Native Hawaiian/Other Pac. Islander
- 19.02% White
- 26.81% Hispanic
- 2.72% Two or More Races

2015 Texas Education Agency State Accountability Ratings

Fort Bend ISD received a 2015 District accountability rating of **Met Standard**, and **67 of 70 campuses** received a Met Standard rating based on overall student achievement, progress, performance of identified student groups and post-secondary readiness. Under the state's accountability system based on the STAAR test, campuses and districts receive either Met Standard or Improvement Required ratings. FBISD campuses also earned a total of **96 distinctions** – **38** at the high school level, **28** at the middle school level, and **30** at the elementary school level – for high student performance.

FBISD Ratings

District Met Standard

Schools rated Met Standard 67

Schools rated Improvement Required.....3

The Lines of Communication are Open at Fort Bend ISD

Do you have a question about district policy, the budgeting process, or the latest on school construction and attendance zones? You can get the answers to your questions through a variety of communication resources available within FBISD and at fortbendisd.com.

Let's Talk - questions and concerns for specific departments and campuses

Bond Project Update - visit the 2014 Bond Program webpage

ASKFBISD@fortbendisd.com - general questions





EQUIP

Equipped for Success

Our students are college ready!

Fort Bend ISD is focused on efforts to ensure that all students will graduate ready for their futures – whether those paths lead to a university, technical college or joining the business world. As part of a comprehensive College and Career Ready plan, students will have more choices in their educational pathways, while providing a more holistic approach to their learning as the District aligns its efforts with the State's graduation requirements.

College and Career Readiness

Our mission is to aid every student in Fort Bend ISD in preparing for and achieving his or her post-secondary goals and aspirations. The Five Pillars of College & Career Readiness help with this process.

The Five Pillars of College and Career Readiness

1. Academic Readiness
2. Personal Readiness
3. Career Readiness
4. Admissions Readiness
5. Financial Readiness

Success Stats:

Seventy-three percent (3,657) of the Class of 2014 (5,029 graduates total) enrolled in postsecondary education the fall immediately following high school graduation.

The FBISD Advancement Via Individual Determination (**AVID**) program provides intensive college and career support for our first-generation college students. Approximately 1,500 students are currently enrolled in the AVID elective classes, and from the 2014-15 AVID seniors, **92.6%** reported acceptance to a four-year college and **96.9%** have plans to attend a college or university in the fall.

Class of 2015 seniors completed nearly **20,000** active college applications, or approximately four applications per student.

AP Exams

Number of students taking at least one AP Exam **4,210**
 Number of AP tests taken..... **9,961**

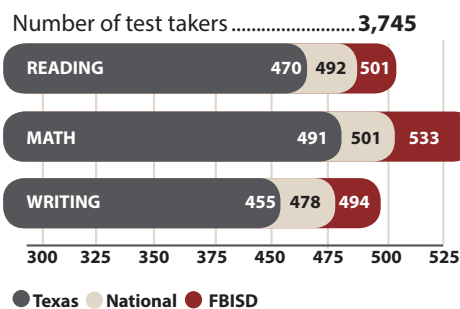
Percent of AP tests with a score of **3 or higher**
State **49%**
Global **59%**
FBISD **72.5%**

Graduation Rate

Class of 2014
 4-year graduation rate **92%**
 State average **88.3%**

Fort Bend ISD students outperform the Texas and national mean on both the SAT and ACT.

SAT Scores



ACT Scores

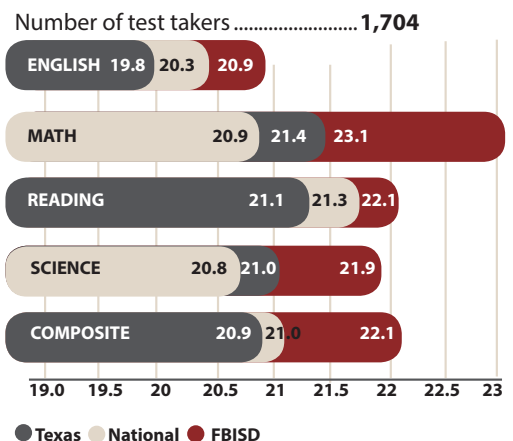


Chart Your Course

House Bill 5 sets Groundwork for Graduation and Career Planning

High school students will benefit from several changes resulting from HB5 and other education bills that were signed into law during the 83rd Legislative session. Students will benefit from reduced testing, more flexibility in core course options, and strategic use of courses (core and electives) to earn endorsements. Students may choose from a list of five endorsements similar to a major in college. Students may also focus on academics, fine arts, JROTC or Career and Technical Education. Please visit the Fort Bend ISD website for more information about Graduation Plans.

ENDORSEMENTS



FBISD POINTS OF PRIDE



IMAGINE

Imagine their Futures

Ten Fort Bend ISD high school seniors are candidates for the **2015 United States Presidential Scholars Program**. They are among the nation's more than 3,900 candidates identified for the academic component of the program, based on their exceptional scores on the SAT or ACT assessments.

The 2015 Fort Bend ISD graduating seniors were offered more than **\$104 million** in reported **academic and athletic scholarships**.

Twenty-one FBISD high school seniors were awarded 2015 **Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarships**. They are among more than 350 Metropolitan and Opportunity Scholarship winners from Houston area high schools to earn scholarships based on their impressive SAT or ACT test scores.

Fort Bend ISD is proud to announce that **62** high school seniors are finalists in the **2015 National Merit Scholarship Program**, which is one of the highest numbers of finalists among the larger school districts in Texas. The 62 FBISD scholars are among 15,000 students chosen as finalists from more than 1.5 million high school seniors in nearly 22,000 United States high schools who earned the 2015 Merit Program by taking the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Fort Bend ISD has been named a **2015 "Best Community for Music Education"** by the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation. FBISD joins 388 school districts across the country in receiving the prestigious distinction. This is the sixth consecutive year that FBISD has received this honor.



Thirty-nine Fort Bend ISD student musicians were selected as **2015 Texas All-State Musicians** by the Texas Music Educators Association. They are among 1,696 students (including 860 All-State Concert and Jazz Band, 220 All-State Orchestra, and 616 All-State Choir students) selected through competitive auditions. All-State is the highest honor a Texas music student can receive, and only three percent of musicians who audition receive All-State honors.

Seven FBISD school band and orchestra programs received recognition as winners in the **2014 Mark of Excellence** project, sponsored by The Foundation for Music Education. They were among 224 of the nation's finest musical ensembles to enter the competition and be recognized for their musical achievement.

Fort Settlement Middle School has been designated a **2015 National School of Character** by Character.org. The school was recognized for having demonstrated its use of

character education and development to drive a positive impact on academics, student behavior and the school climate. This is Fort Settlement's second designation as a National School of Character.

Last year, **business and community partners** donated approximately **\$3.5 million** to support student success. In addition, our **Volunteers In Public Schools** program recorded more than 355,000 volunteer hours. If you attach an hourly rate established by the Independent Sector, the recorded hours equate to more than **\$8.3 million** dollars in volunteer services provided for our teachers and students.

Since its inception in 1992, the Fort Bend Education Foundation has awarded more than \$31 million in grants to FBISD teachers and schools. During the 2014-2015 school year, **the Education Foundation awarded more than \$394,000** to FBISD for teacher and classroom grants.



For the 12th consecutive year, Fort Bend ISD has received a rating of **Superior Achievement** by the Texas Education Agency's School **FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas)**. The Superior Achievement rating is the state's highest mark and serves as an indicator of the quality of the District's financial management and reporting system.

Fort Bend ISD was awarded **five stars** in the Texas Comptroller's annual **Financial Allocation Study for Texas, or FAST ratings**. The annual study examines both academic performance and financial efficiency at Texas school districts and campuses, and identifies those that deliver a high-quality education at relatively low costs. This is the third consecutive year to receive the high rating.

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School Hours

PreK hours: 8:10 am – 11:10 am, 12:10 pm – 3:10 pm
Elementary: 8:10 am – 3:10 pm
Middle School: 8:55 am – 3:55 pm
High School: 7:30 am – 2:30 pm

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