## **Evaluating Community & Student Engagement**

The state has added a new component to its accountability system; evaluating Texas school districts and individual campuses on how well they engage the community and students.

Under this new system, which is based on District-developed criteria, Crystal City ISD earned an overall rating of **Recognized**. Also **80** percent of Crystal City ISD campuses were rated either Recognized or Exemplary.

See all ratings

## About the new system

The 83<sup>rd</sup> Texas Legislature, through House Bill 5 (HB 5), added Section 39.0545 to the Texas Education Code (TEC).

This section requires school districts to evaluate performance in community and student engagement, as well as in compliance with state reporting requirements, for the District as a whole and for each of its campuses.

For the evaluation, districts must use criteria developed by a local committee and must assign an overall rating and a rating for each criteria at both the District and campus levels.

## Factors used in the evaluation

The following factors were used evaluating Crystal City ISD performance in community and student engagement:

- 1. 21st-Century workforce development programs
- 2. Second-language acquisition programs
- 3. Community and parental involvement
- 4. Digital learning environment
- 5. Dropout prevention strategies
- 6. Fine Arts
- 7. Gifted & talented programs
- 8. Wellness and physical education
- 9. History compliance with statutory reporting requirements

## What are the ratings categories?

There are five possible ratings a District and individual campuses can receive for Factors 1-8. The are: Exemplary, Recognized, Acceptable, Unacceptable or Non Applicable.

A rating label of Yes or No will be assigned for Factor 9, history of compliance with statutory reporting requirements.