

Notice of Public Hearing to Discuss Richland Springs ISD's State Financial Accountability Rating

Richland Springs ISD will hold a public hearing at 6:00pm, October 15, 2018 in the RSISD Boardroom at 700 W. Coyote Trail, Richland Springs, TX 76871
The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Richland Springs ISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

Richland Springs ISD Earns State's Highest Fiscal Accountability Rating

Richland Springs ISD Receives Superior Achievement on School FIRST

School administration announced that the District received a rating of "Superior Achievement" from the Texas Education Agency (TEA) regarding financial operations.

The superior achievement rating is the state's highest, demonstrating the quality of the district's financial management and reporting system. This is the 16th consecutive year the Richland Springs ISD has received a SUPERIOR rating from TEA under the state's Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST), financial accountability system, which evaluates the performance in the management of school districts' financial resources using 15 different criteria.

"We are very pleased with Richland Springs ISD's Schools FIRST rating," said Superintendent Don Fowler, "as it shows that our district is making the most of our taxpayers' dollars. This rating shows that Richland Springs schools are accountable not only for student learning, but also for achieving these results cost-effectively and efficiently."

In each of the 15 criteria, Richland Springs results were perfect. The district scored a perfect 100, with the highest score being 100, on the report that evaluates total fund balance, district academic rating, timeliness of financial reports, debt-related expenditures and others. The passing score is 60.

The School FIRST accountability rating system assigns one of four financial accountability ratings schools districts, with the highest being superior achievement, followed by above-standard achievement, meets standard, and substandard achievement.