



## Pampa ISD Earns State's Highest Fiscal Accountability Rating

**Pampa Independent School District received a rating of "A" for "Superior Achievement" under Texas' School FIRST financial accountability rating system.** The "A" rating is the state's highest, demonstrating the quality of Pampa ISD's financial management and reporting system.

This is the 15th year of School FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas), a financial accountability system for Texas school districts developed by the Texas Education Agency in response to Senate Bill 875 of the 76th Texas Legislature in 1999 and amendments under House Bill 5, 83rd Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2013. 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.

The Texas Education Agency assigned one of four financial accountability ratings to Texas school districts, with the highest being "A" for "Superior Achievement," followed by "B" for "Above-Standard Achievement," "C" for "Standard Achievement" and "F" for "Substandard Achievement." Pampa ISD achieved the rating of Superior Achievement for the 2015-2016 rating year.

**This is the 15th consecutive year  
Pampa ISD achieved a  
Superior Achievement rating.**

More information regarding the Pampa ISD FIRST accountability rating may be accessed through the Pampa ISD website, [www.pampaisd.net](http://www.pampaisd.net) or through the Texas Education Agency website, [tea.texas.gov](http://tea.texas.gov).



"The A Superior FIRST rating is a testament to the diligence and mindfulness that our staff employ daily when it comes to decision making on expenses and priorities. We know that every penny counts and we do not take the fact that we are spending tax dollars lightly. We do our very best to maximize every dollar spent in Pampa schools to ensure that our students and staff are benefiting from the communities' investment. Making an investment in Pampa public schools is bringing large dividends back into our community in every child that is inspired to dream and in every student that graduates as a compassionate, competent, confident learner who is future-ready!"

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