



## Growth

- 112,957 = student enrollment on Sept. 15, 2014
- 33,786 = new students over the last 10 years
- 7,122 = projected student enrollment increase in the next five years
- 86 campuses (53 elementary schools, 18 middle schools, 11 high schools, 4 special program facilities)
- 35 new schools built since 2000 (23 elementary schools, 8 middle schools, 4 high schools)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> largest district in the nation (*American School and University*, Sept. 2014)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> largest district in Texas
- 2<sup>nd</sup> largest district in Region IV
- 47 campuses at least 20 years old
- 20,603 first-time students in 2013-2014 (8,927 in grades 1-12; 11,676 in kindergarten, pre-kindergarten & early education)

## Demographics

- Ethnic Breakdown:

Hispanic	White	African American	Asian	Multi-racial	Native American	Pacific Islander
44.13%	27.46%	16.49%	8.82%	2.38%	0.60%	0.09%

- 15,567 ESL/bilingual students
- 100 languages and dialects spoken by students
- 13 New Arrival Centers for non-English speaking students
- 35 elementary campuses with bilingual program
- 49.7% economically disadvantaged
- 8,085 special education students

## Academic Achievement

- Largest school district to have 100 percent of its campuses earn *Met Standard* honors in the 2014 Texas Education Agency accountability ratings for the second straight year (*see below for details*)
- STAAR Percentage Passing:
  - Grade 3, Reading – 80%, Math – 82%
  - Grade 4, Reading – 80%, Math – 79%, Writing – 77%
  - Grade 5, Reading – 84%, Math – 88%, Science – 86%
  - Grade 6, Reading – 84%, Math – 85%
  - Grade 7, Reading – 83%, Math – 79%, Writing – 77%
  - Grade 8, Reading – 89%, Math 80%, Science – 83%, Social Studies – 75%
  - Algebra I – 93%; English I – 81%; English II – 80%, Biology – 97%; US History – 96%

- 2013 seniors – SAT average score: Critical reading – 501; Math – 523; Writing – 479
- 2014 seniors – 36 semifinalists in National Merit Scholarship Program
- 2014 seniors – 90 commended in National Merit Scholarship Program
- 2014 seniors – 6 semifinalists in National Achievement Scholarship Program
- 2014 seniors – 38 National Hispanic Scholars
- 2013-2014 Dual Credit course enrollment – 6,650; College hours earned – 19,328
- 2013-2014 Advanced Placement class enrollment – 8,324

## Business and Finance

- Ranked the No.1 school district in Texas by the Education Resource Group (ERG) for academic and financial performance for the second straight year
- “Superior Achievement” Schools FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) rating for 12 consecutive years
- Five-Star rating for five consecutive years for the Texas Comptroller’s Financial Allocation Study for Texas (FAST)
- Texas Comptroller’s Leadership Circle Awards for financial transparency:
  - Highest possible distinction for all five years of program: “Platinum” (2014); “Gold” (2010-2013)
- M&O Tax rate at \$1.50, the maximum allowed by law, from 2002 through 2005; reduced from \$1.50 to \$1.354 in 2006; reduced to \$1.024 in 2007; increased to \$1.04 in 2008 and remained at \$1.04 throughout 2013
- Total tax rate of \$1.44 for 2014-2015
- 20% Optional Local Homestead Exemption plus \$15,000 state exemption
- 2004 bond referendum for \$713.2 million
- 2007 bond referendum for \$806 million
- 2014 bond referendum for \$1.209 billion – the largest bond election in the district’s history
- Among the lowest administrative cost ratio (3.42%) in the Gulf Coast region for more than a decade and one of the lowest in the state
- Administrative expenditures account for only 1.6% of the operating budget
- Operating cost is \$7,289 per student - one of the lowest in Texas
- Budget reductions for four years (08-09, 09-10, 10-11, 11-12) total \$106 million
- Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for past 18 years
- Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for past 17 years
- Fitch, Standard and Poor’s, and Moody’s bond ratings are AA
- State and federal grant awards total \$674,849,547 (2000-01 to present)

## Highlights

- \$66,639,554 in academic scholarships awarded to the Class of 2014
- \$13,232,800 in athletic scholarships awarded to the Class of 2014
- 7,447 graduates in the Class of 2014
- 62,116 guests attended CFISD graduation ceremonies at the Berry Center
- 22,271 guests attended other school districts’ graduation ceremonies at the Berry Center
- 12,184 watched streaming video of graduation ceremonies from their computers or smartphones
- 5,000+ students enrolled in enrichment or accelerated summer school classes in 2014
- 19,215 hours in community use of facilities in 2013-2014

*The State of the District brochure is posted on the district website at [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net)*