

**H**itchcock Independent School District

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**FIRST  
FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING  
SYSTEM OF TEXAS**

**Annual Financial  
Accountability  
Management Report**  
For the Year Ending August 31, 2013



# Hitchcock

## INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY MANAGEMENT REPORT

**(For the Reporting Period 09/01/2012 -08/31/2013)**

### ***Introduction***

Senate Bill 218 of the 77<sup>th</sup> Legislature (2001) authorized the implementation of a financial accountability rating system, which is officially referred to as School FIRST. The School FIRST rating is based upon an analysis of staff and student data reported for the 2012-13 school year, and budgetary and actual financial data for the 2013 fiscal year.

The primary goal of School FIRST is to improve the management of school districts' financial resources. HISD's School FIRST rating was received on September 5, 2014. Within two months after receipt of the final School FIRST rating, each school district must announce and hold a public meeting to distribute a financial management report that explains the district's performance under each of the 22 indicators and the district's rating. HISD's public meeting will be held on October 21, 2014, at 6:30 PM., HISD Board Room, 8004 N. Railroad, Hitchcock, Texas.

The School FIRST worksheet consists of 20 indicators. A score of 64 to 70 results in a Superior Rating. A score between 58 to 63 results in an Above Standard Achievement Rating. A score of 52 to 57 results in a Standard Achievement Rating. A score less than 52 will result in a Substandard Rating. A negative response to any indicator 1 – 4 or both 5 – 6 will result in a substandard achievement rating. The district's FIRST rating is considered when assigning an accreditation status, as required by the accreditation status rule in 19 TAC §97.1055.

Hitchcock ISD received a rating of “**Superior Achievement**”, scoring 70 out of a possible 70 on the financial accountability worksheet.

RATING YEAR



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**Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas**

**2013-2014 RATINGS BASED ON SCHOOL YEAR 2012-2013 DATA - DISTRICT STATUS DETAIL**

<b>Name:</b> HITCHCOCK ISD(084908)	<b>Publication Level 1:</b> 6/18/2014 8:04:42 AM
<b>Status:</b> Passed	<b>Publication Level 2:</b> 9/5/2014 4:00:21 PM
<b>Rating:</b> Superior Achievement	<b>Last Updated:</b> 9/5/2014 4:00:21 PM
<b>District Score:</b> 70	<b>Passing Score:</b> 52

#	Indicator Description	Updated	Score
1	<u>Was The Total Fund Balance Less Nonspendable and Restricted Fund Balance Greater Than Zero In The General Fund?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:47 PM	Yes
2	<u>Was the Total Unrestricted Net Asset Balance (Net of Accretion of Interest on Capital Appreciation Bonds) In the Governmental Activities Column in the Statement of Net Assets Greater than Zero? (If the District's 5 Year % Change in Students was 10% more)</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:47 PM	Yes
3	<u>Were There No Disclosures In The Annual Financial Report And/Or Other Sources Of Information Concerning Default On Bonded Indebtedness Obligations?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:48 PM	Yes
4	<u>Was The Annual Financial Report Filed Within One Month After November 27th or January 28th Deadline Depending Upon The District's Fiscal Year End Date (June 30th or August 31st)?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:48 PM	Yes
5	<u>Was There An Unqualified Opinion in Annual Financial Report?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:48 PM	Yes
6	<u>Did The Annual Financial Report Not Disclose Any Instance(s) Of Material Weaknesses In Internal Controls?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:48 PM	Yes
			1 Multiplier Sum
7	<u>Was The Three-Year Average Percent Of Total Tax Collections (Including Delinquent) Greater Than 98%?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:49 PM	5
8	<u>Did The Comparison Of PEIMS Data To Like Information In Annual Financial Report Result In An Aggregate Variance Of Less Than 3 Percent Of Expenditures Per Fund Type (Data Quality Measure)?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:49 PM	5

9	<u>Were Debt Related Expenditures (Net Of IFA And/Or EDA Allotment) ≤ \$350.00 Per Student? (If The District's Five-Year Percent Change In Students = Or &gt; 7%, Or If Property Taxes Collected Per Penny Of Tax Effort &gt; \$200,000 Per Student)</u>	5/15/2014 11:51:28 AM	5
10	<u>Was There No Disclosure In The Annual Audit Report Of Material Noncompliance?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:50 PM	5
11	<u>Did The District Have Full Accreditation Status In Relation To Financial Management Practices? (e.g., No Conservator Or Monitor Assigned)</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:50 PM	5
12	<u>Was The Aggregate Of Budgeted Expenditures And Other Uses Less Than The Aggregate Of Total Revenues, Other Resources and Fund Balance In General Fund?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:51 PM	5
13	<u>If The District's Aggregate Fund Balance In The General Fund And Capital Projects Fund Was Less Than Zero, Were Construction Projects Adequately Financed? (To Avoid Creating Or Adding To The Fund Balance Deficit Situation)</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:51 PM	5
14	<u>Was The Ratio Of Cash And Investments To Deferred Revenues (Excluding Amount Equal To Net Delinquent Taxes Receivable) In The General Fund Greater Than Or Equal To 1:1? (If Deferred Revenues Are Less Than Net Delinquent Taxes Receivable)</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:52 PM	5
15	<u>Was The Administrative Cost Ratio Less Than The Threshold Ratio?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:52 PM	5
16	<u>Was The Ratio Of Students To Teachers Within the Ranges Shown Below According To District Size?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:52 PM	5
17	<u>Was The Ratio Of Students To Total Staff Within the Ranges Shown Below According To District Size?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:53 PM	5
18	<u>Was The Decrease In Undesignated Unreserved Fund Balance &lt; 20% Over Two Fiscal Years?(If Total Revenues &gt; Operating Expenditures In The General Fund,Then District Receives 5 Points)</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:53 PM	5
19	<u>Was The Aggregate Total Of Cash And Investments In The General Fund More Than \$0?</u>	4/28/2014 12:55:53 PM	5
20	<u>Were Investment Earnings In All Funds (Excluding Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund) Meet or Exceed the 3-Month Treasury Bill Rate?</u>	5/14/2014 12:20:54 PM	5
			70 Weighted Sum
			1 Multiplier Sum
			70 Score

**DETERMINATION OF RATING**

**A.** Did The District Answer 'No' To Indicators 1, 2, 3 Or 4? **OR** Did The District Answer 'No' To Both 5 and 6? If So, The District's Rating Is **Substandard Achievement**.

**B.** Determine Rating By Applicable Range For summation of the indicator scores (Indicators 7-20)

<b>Superior Achievement</b>	64-70
<b>Above Standard Achievement</b>	58-63
<b>Standard Achievement</b>	52-57
<b>Substandard Achievement</b>	<52

**INDICATOR 16 & 17 RATIOS**

Indicator 16	Ranges for Ratios		Indicator 17	Ranges for Ratios	
	Low	High		Low	High
District Size - Number of Students Between			District Size - Number of Students Between		
< 500	7	22	< 500	5	14
500-999	10	22	500-999	5.8	14
1000-4999	11.5	22	1000-4999	6.3	14
5000-9999	13	22	5000-9999	6.8	14
=> 10000	13.5	22	=> 10000	7.0	14

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# School FIRST Annual Financial Management Report

HITCHCOCK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Title 19 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 109, Budgeting, Accounting, and Auditing Subchapter AA, Commissioner's Rules Concerning Financial Accountability Rating System, Section 109.1005, Effective 2/3/11. The template has been established to help the districts in gathering their data and presenting it at their School FIRST hearing. The template may not be all inclusive.

## Superintendent's Current Employment Contract

A copy of the superintendent's current employment contract at the time of the School FIRST hearing is to be provided. In lieu of publication in the annual School FIRST financial management report, the school district may chose to publish the superintendent's employment contract on the school district's internet site. If published on the Internet, the contract is to remain accessible for twelve months.

## Reimbursements Received by the Superintendent and Board Members

For the Twelve-Month Period  
Ended August 31, 2013

Description of Reimbursements	Dr. Barbara Derrick Superintendent		Estelle Holmes		Tony Combs Member 1		Shirley Price		Edward Wilson		Ted Robinson		Dianne James		Monica Cantrell		Tom Ivy Member 7	
Meals	\$394.50	\$231.00	\$0.00	\$726.00	\$444.50	\$213.50	\$541.50	\$576.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Lodging	\$959.81	\$454.53	\$0.00	\$1,057.90	\$1,128.15	\$673.62	\$1,659.58	\$1,731.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transportation	\$1,241.25	\$225.87	\$0.00	\$1,323.75	\$538.35	\$311.00	\$970.98	\$1,301.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Motor Fuel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Registration/memberships	\$1,658.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$995.00	\$55.00	\$0.00	\$1,210.00	\$1,175.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other	\$799.33	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,052.89</b>	<b>\$1,061.40</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$4,102.65</b>	<b>\$2,166.00</b>	<b>\$1,198.12</b>	<b>\$4,382.06</b>	<b>\$4,784.07</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

All "reimbursements" expenses, regardless of the manner of payment, including direct pay, credit card, cash, and purchase order are to be reported. Items to be reported per category include:

Meals - Meals consumed out of town, and in-district meals at area restaurants (outside of board meetings, excludes catered board meeting meals).  
Lodging - Hotel charges.  
Transportation - Airfare, car rental (can include fuel on rental, taxis, mileage reimbursements, leased cars, parking and tolls).  
Motor fuel - Gasoline.  
Other: - Registration fees, telephone/cell phone, internet service, fax machine, and other reimbursements (or on-behalf of) to the superintendent and board member not defined above.

**Outside Compensation and/or Fees Received by the Superintendent for Professional Consulting and/or Other Personal Services**

For the Twelve-Month Period  
 Ended August 31, 2013  
 Name(s) of Entity(ies)

Amount Received  
 \$0

\$0.00

Compensation does not include business revenues generated from a family business (farming, ranching, etc.) that has no relation to school district business.

**Gifts Received by Executive Officers and Board Members (and First Degree Relatives, if any)  
 (gifts that had an economic value of \$250 or more in the aggregate in the fiscal year)**

For the Twelve-Month Period  
 Ended August 31, 2013

Dr. Barbara Derrick Superintendent	Estelle Holmes Member 1	Tony Combs Member 1	Sirley Price Member 2	Edward Wilson Member 3	Ted Robinson Member 4	Dianne James Member 5	Monica Cantrell Member 6	Tom Ivy Member 7
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Note - An executive officer is defined as the superintendent, unless the board of trustees or the district administration names additional staff under this classification for local officials.

**Business Transactions Between School District and Board Members**

For the Twelve-Month Period  
 Ended August 31, 2013

Estelle Holmes Member 1	Tony Combs Member 1	Shirley Price Member 2	Edward Wilson Member 3	Ted Robinson Member 4	Dianne James Member 5	Monica Cantrell Member 6	Tom Ivy Member 7
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Amounts  
 Note - The summary amounts reported under this disclosure are not to duplicate the items disclosed in the summary schedule of reimbursements received by board members.

**Summary Schedule of Data Submitted under the Financial Solvency Provisions of TEC §39.0822**

General Fund - First-Quarter Expenditures By Object Code

Report 2012-2013 first-quarter (first three months of fiscal year 2012-2013) GENERAL FUND expenditures by object code using whole numbers.

Payroll- Expenditures for payroll costs	object codes 6110-6149	\$499,181
Contract Costs- Expenditures for services rendered by firms, individuals, and other organizations	object code series 6200	\$125,284
Supplies and Materials- Expenditures for supplies and materials necessary to maintain and/or operate furniture, computers, equipment, vehicles, grounds, and facilities	object code series 6300	\$20,763
Other Operating- Expenditures for items other than payroll, professional and contracted services, supplies and materials, debt service, and capital outlay	object code series 6400	\$144,068
Debt Service- Expenditures for debt service	object code series 6500	\$0
Capital Outlay- Expenditures for land, buildings, and equipment	object code series 6600	\$0

Additional Financial Solvency Questions

1) Districts with a September 1- August 31 fiscal year:

Within the last two years, did the school district

- |   | Yes   | No |
|---|-------|----|
| 1) draw funds from a short-term financing note (term less than 12 months) between the months of September and December, inclusive, and              | _____ | X  |
| 2) for the prior fiscal year, have a total General Fund balance of less than 2 percent of total expenditures for General Fund function codes 11-61? | _____ | X  |

Districts with a July 1- June 30 fiscal year:

Within the last two years, did the school district

- |   |       |       |
|---|-------|-------|
| 1) draw funds from a short-term financing note (term less than 12 months) between the months of July and October, inclusive, and                    | _____ | _____ |
| 2) for the prior fiscal year, have a total General Fund balance of less than 2 percent of total expenditures for General Fund function codes 11-61? | _____ | _____ |

2) Has the school district declared financial exigency within the past two years? \_\_\_\_\_ X



3) Provide comments or explanations for student-to-staff ratios significantly (more than 15%) below the norm, rapid depletion of General Fund balances, or any significant discrepancies between actual budget figures and projected revenues and expenditures, or any other information that may be helpful in evaluating the school district's financial solvency.

<u>Mean Enroll-to-Teacher Ratio</u>	<u>85% of Mean Enroll-to-Teacher Ratio</u>	<u>School District Size</u>
8.30	7.05	Under 100
9.54	8.11	100 to 249
10.80	9.18	250 to 499
11.54	9.81	500 to 999
12.65	10.75	1,000 to 1,599
13.65	11.60	1,600 to 2,999
14.43	12.26	3,000 to 4,999
14.97	12.73	5,000 to 9,999
15.12	12.86	10,000 to 24,999
15.27	12.98	25,000 to 49,999
15.44	13.12	50,000 and Over

4) How many superintendents has your school district had in the last five years? 3

5) How many business managers has your school district had in the last five years? 2