

## Parent School Ratings FAQ

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### 1. Where can I learn more about how my child's school and district performed?

Visit [TXschools.gov](https://www.txschools.gov) to learn about how your child's school is preparing them for the next grade level and success after high school.

### 2. Why do we have school accountability ratings?

School ratings are one of many ways to determine how well your child's school is preparing them for the next grade and success after high school. Ratings also help us determine whether schools are serving all students.

### 3. Why are school accountability ratings important?

School ratings help Texas public schools meet the educational needs of all students by providing the information they need to assess and improve their schools. Ratings provide a look into how your child's school is performing in different areas, including

- STAAR Performance;

- English language acquisition;

- Graduation Rates; and

- College, Career, and Military Readiness (CCMR).

### 4. What does the overall rating tell me about my child's school and district?

Overall ratings are calculated based on performance in three key areas. We take the higher score between how much students know (Student Achievement) or how much better students are doing than last year or than peers in similar schools (School Progress). We then consider whether performance gaps exist among different groups of students (Closing the Gaps).

5. Where can I learn more about the accountability system in Texas?

Visit the [How Accountability Ratings Work](#)