

Requirement for Posting of Performance

Frequently Asked Questions

Updated August 2025 for 2023 final and 2024 and 2025 preliminary accountability ratings release

Notice of Performance to the Public

Q: What does statute require of districts?

A: Texas Education Code requires the following:

- [TEC, §39.306](#), requires each board of trustees to publish an annual report describing the education performance of the district and each campus.
 - [19 TAC §61.1022](#), indicates this hearing for public discussion of the Texas Academic Performance Report must be held within 90 calendar days of receiving the PDF TAPR. Winter breaks do not count toward the 90 days. Within two weeks following the public meeting, each district must widely publish its annual report, in the same format as it was received from TEA.
- [TEC, §39.361](#), requires districts to state whether one or more of its campuses have been awarded a distinction designation or have been identified as an unacceptable campus and to provide an explanation of the significance of the information.
- [TEC, §39.362](#), requires districts to post on the district website by the 10th day of each school year (see Notice on District Website below):
 - the most recent campus report card ([School Report Card \[SRC\]](#)). The 2022-23 School Report Card released with 2023 final ratings on August 26, 2025 will remain the most recent report card for districts to post on district websites until the next report card will be released in December 2025/January 2026.
 - the most recent performance report ([Texas Academic Performance Report \[TAPR\]](#)). The 2023-24 TAPR updated with 2023 final ratings on August 26, 2025 will remain the most recent report for districts to post on district websites until the next TAPR release in December 2025/January 2026.
 - the most recent accreditation status ([Accreditation Status](#)) and performance rating of the district. The district website should report the 2025 preliminary ratings as of August 15, 2025.
 - a definition and explanation of each accreditation status by the 10th day of each school year.

Q: What does statute require of TEA?

A: Texas Education Code requires the following:

- [TEC, §39.363](#), requires TEA to post the following by October 1 of each year:
 - The performance rating assigned to each district and campus

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- Each distinction designation awarded
- The financial accountability rating ([Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas \[FIRST\]](#)) assigned to each district

Q: When the 2024-25 TAPR is published in December 2025/January 2026, does a public hearing take place?

A: Yes, [statute](#) requires that each district's board of trustees hold a public hearing to discuss the district's annual report. The TAPR is part of a district's annual report. [Commissioner rule](#) indicates this hearing for public discussion must be held within 90 calendar days of receiving the PDF TAPR. Please see the [2023-24 TAPR Guidelines](#) for more information.

There is no public hearing required with the 2025 release of the 2024 ratings. This was already completed with the previous releases of the 2023 and 2024 TAPRs.

Notice in Student Grade Report [TEC, §39.361](#)

Q: Do the campus accountability rating and distinction designations need to be printed on the student's report card?

A: This is a local decision. The law states that the first written notice of a student's performance that a school district gives during a school year must include a statement of whether the campus at which the student is enrolled has been awarded a distinction designation or has been identified as an unacceptable campus. Districts may choose to print this information on the student's report card or provide this information via an insert or link to [TXschools.gov](#) or the [2025 Accountability Ratings System webpage](#).

The next written notice of a student's performance can now reflect the preliminary 2025 results.

Q: The first report the campus sends home is not a report card but a status report. Does the accountability information need to be provided at that time?

A: The statutory language is: "The first written notice of a student's performance...." The district will have to make the decision in relation to the content of the status report. The first report sent that applies to all students and contains an evaluation of their academic performance in all subjects should be used.

Q: Does TEA have a sample letter with a brief and clear explanation that we can use?

A: Yes. The Texas Education Agency created the [TXschools.gov Toolkit](#) to help districts and campuses provide parents the information they need to better understand their child's

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school rating. The [Toolkit](#) consists of working documents that districts and campuses can customize.

Notice on District Web Site [TEC, §39.362](#)

Q: What specifically is "...the 10th day after the first day of instruction of each school year...?"

A: This is the 10th school day, or actual instructional day. It does not include weekends, holidays, or other non-instructional days.

Q: Which reports need to be posted on the district website at the beginning of the school year?

A: For 2025-26, districts must post:

- the 2023-24 [TAPR](#) for the district;
- the 2022-23 [SRC](#) for each campus, the current accountability rating, and distinction designations; and
- an explanation of the school accountability ratings. [TXschools.gov](#), the [A–F Accountability Toolkit](#), and [How Accountability Ratings Work](#) website provide resources explaining district and campus ratings.
- **Q: How exactly should districts post these reports?**

A: Usually, districts save a PDF version of each report to the district server and make them available through a link on the district website.

Q: How long must these items remain on our website?

A: Statute does not specify an expiration date, these items should follow local district policy for web postings and should be updated annually with the release of new reports.

Federal Report Cards

For information about the Federal Report Card and districts' responsibilities related to it, please visit the [Title I, Part A](#) webpage.