

# Weekly High Five

May 26, 2009

I want to share some exciting news that we received today. The testing office released preliminary TAKS findings along with preliminary campus and district ratings, and we have made remarkable strides and improvements on ratings. We expect an increase in the number of Exemplary campuses from three to five and of Recognized campuses from 15 to 30. That means that more than half of all AISD schools that are eligible for an accountability rating will be Recognized or Exemplary.

Ashworth, Butler, Ditto, Farrell and Moore elementaries are expected to receive the Exemplary rating, while 30 AISD campuses – including Martin High School, and Bailey, Boles and Ferguson junior highs – are expected to receive the Recognized rating. Preliminary TAKS results are available [online](#).

I am proud of the improvements we have made this year! This has been an amazing year with everyone working together toward set goals. We have stayed focused on the one thing that is going to make the biggest impact on our students – instruction. Thank you for your leadership and for the great work preparing our students! I am truly proud of each and every one of you. Take time to celebrate your successes with your staffs. Please note, all results and ratings are still preliminary; be sure that you do not advertise your campus rating as the final rating.



Jerry McCullough  
AISD Superintendent

## Congratulations



Tiffany Benavides  
*Bailey JH Principal*

Formerly AP at Arlington HS  
B.S. - Texas A&M, 1999  
M.A. - UNT, 2006

Reception - Friday, May 29 at 4:30  
p.m., Bailey JH



Rhonda Greer  
*Ashworth ES Principal*

Formerly Principal at Chapel Hill Acad.  
B.S. - Texas Woman's University, 1993  
M.A. - TCU, 2000

Reception - Tuesday, May 26 at 4:30  
p.m., Ashworth ES



Debbie Gonzales-Roybal  
*Director of Special Education*

Formerly Coordinator of  
Instructional Support and  
Accountability at Region 11 ESC

B.S. - Eastern New Mexico Univ., 1984  
M.A. - University of New Mexico, 1985

## Expected Exemplary Campuses

Ashworth Elementary  
Butler Elementary  
Ditto Elementary  
Farrell Elementary  
Moore Elementary

## Expected Recognized Campuses

Martin High School  
Bailey Junior High  
Boles Junior High  
Ferguson Junior High  
Amos Elementary  
Atherton Elementary  
Beckham Elementary  
Berry Elementary  
Blanton Elementary  
Bryant Elementary  
Burgin Elementary  
Corey Elementary  
Duff Elementary  
Dunn Elementary  
Fitzgerald Elementary  
Foster Elementary  
Goodman Elementary  
Hale Elementary  
Hill Elementary  
Key Elementary  
Knox Elementary  
Little Elementary  
Miller Elementary  
Morton Elementary  
Pearcy Elementary  
Pope Elementary  
Rankin Elementary  
West Elementary  
Williams Elementary  
Wood Elementary

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

May 28: School board meeting

May 30: Arlington HS prom; Bowie HS prom

June 1-July 4: Fireworks Safety Month

June 3: Early dismissal; Exam day (junior/senior high)

June 4: Inclement weather makeup day; Early dismissal; Exam day (junior/senior high);

Last day of classes; End sixth grading period and second semester; Report cards distributed (PK-6); Bowie HS graduation

June 5: Teacher preparation day; Lamar HS graduation; World Environment Day

June 6: Teacher preparation day; Martin HS graduation; Arlington HS graduation; SAT

June 7: Seguin HS graduation; Sam Houston HS graduation



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