



Arlington

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

More Than a Remarkable Education

About the Arlington ISD

- More than 63,000 students are enrolled in the Arlington ISD.
- The AISD is the eighth-largest school district in Texas.
- The AISD is the largest employer in Arlington and the third largest in Tarrant County, with a staff of more than 8,000.
- Seventeen percent of the student body is enrolled in the Gifted and Talented program.
- Twenty-two percent of the student body is enrolled in the Career and Technical Education program.
- The AISD currently offers the *International Baccalaureate World School Programme* at Arlington, Bowie, Lamar and Sam Houston high schools. The AISD plans to offer the program in all high schools in the future.
- Students have the opportunity to graduate with 30 or more college credits through the district's **Advanced Placement** program; that's the equivalent of one full year of college study. This year, the Advanced Placement curricula include English, calculus, biology, American history, American government, European history, macroeconomics, computer science, physics, chemistry, art and foreign languages.
- The AISD and Tarrant County College joined forces to offer *dual-credit* choices at each high school in June 2007. The district covers tuition costs and books for students who take advantage of this on-site opportunity. The partnership expanded the district's dual-credit initiative with TCC, which required students to attend courses at a TCC campus. This program is the first of its kind in this area.
- The AISD and Texas Christian University teamed up to strengthen the area's future *nursing* professionals. Qualifying AISD students are now guaranteed admission status to TCU and the Harris College of Nursing and Health Sciences.
- The AISD is home to an award-winning and acclaimed special education program that focuses on academic success as well as the development of life skills.
- The AISD is home to **25** National Merit, National Achievement and National Hispanic Scholars.

Fine arts

- In 2009 our fine arts program was named one of the *Best Communities for Music Education* for the sixth consecutive year.
- Martin High School was selected as the GRAMMY Foundation's 2009 National GRAMMY Signature School.
- The Seguin High School Chamber Choir was selected to perform at the 2010 Texas Music Educators Association convention.
- Thirty-three students were selected for the All-State Band, Choir and Orchestra.
- Martin High School advanced to regionals in One Act Play competition.

Athletics

- During the 2008-2009 school year the AISD achieved the following:
 - Two high schools advanced to the football regional quarterfinals.
 - Four high schools advanced to the volleyball playoffs; one team advanced to the regional semifinal.
 - Seven soccer teams advanced to the playoffs.
 - Twenty-seven students competed in the state wrestling tournaments; one student won his weight class.
 - In track, athletes from all six schools advanced to regionals.

Our teachers

- Average teacher salary: \$57,064
- Beginning teacher salary: \$45,422
- Average years of teaching experience with the district: 8.4

Financial facts

- Budget: \$438,635,549
- Tax rate: **\$1.272** per \$100 of assessed value
- About **49 percent** of our revenue comes from property taxes
- 2007-2008 operating expenditures per student (all funds): **\$6,888**
- Percent of operating expenditures spent on instruction: approximately **65 percent**
- Percent of budget spent on payroll: **88.2 percent**
- Administrative cost ratio: **4.18 percent**, compared to the state standard of 11.05 percent for a district of comparable size.