

Superintendent's Report

August 6, 2009



I have some great news to share with you this evening!



Accountability Ratings & AYP

	2009	2008
Exemplary	6	3
Recognized	32	15
Academically Acceptable	28	48
Academically Unacceptable	2	2
Meets AYP	67	54
Missed AYP	3	16

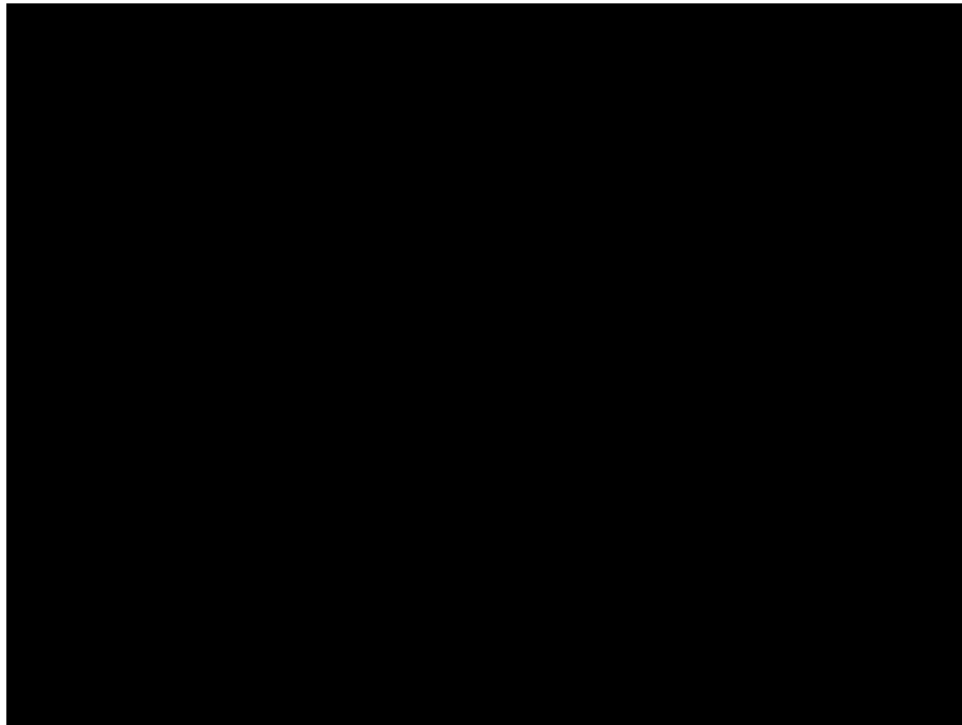
Accountability ratings were announced by the TEA last Friday, and the number of AISD campuses earning an Exemplary or Recognized rating more than doubled over the previous year. In fact, 56 percent of our schools that are eligible for an accountability rating are Exemplary or Recognized. Earlier today, the TEA released preliminary Adequate Yearly Progress results. The AISD and 96 percent of our campuses will meet AYP standards for 2009. That means that 67 campuses will meet AYP this year, compared to 54 campuses in 2008. I am excited about the gains we made! We know, however, that there are always opportunities for improvement, and we have a plan in place to continue our focus on instruction. When I look at how far we have come in just one year, I am certain that we will continue to make strides this school year.



Art Exhibition



Texas State Representative Diane Patrick collaborated with Art/Journalism Coordinator Linh Nguyen to hold an art exhibition at the State Capitol again this summer. The show included student artwork representing each elementary school and was on exhibit in early June. Students and their families were honored at a Capitol reception. Rep. Patrick is hosting another reception at her district office on Aug. 20 from 4 to 6 p.m.



Tomorrow, I will present the State of the District address during the Arlington Chamber luncheon at the Professional Development Center. I will discuss some of our achievements from this past year and our goals for the year to come. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m., with the luncheon from 12 to 1:30 p.m. I hope to see some of you there!