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Dallas ISD

Building Blocks for Transformation

Vision

To be the best urban district in the United States.

Dallas Achieves Transformation Plan

Dallas Achieves Commission

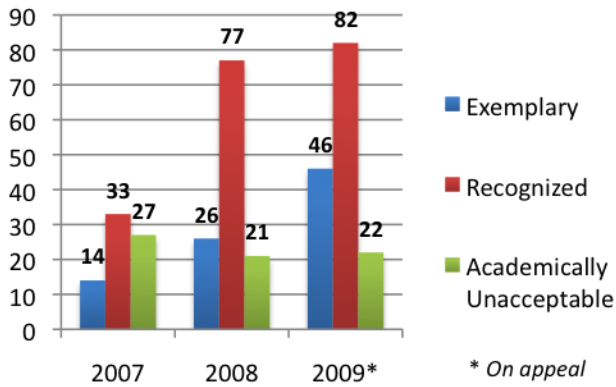
NCEA Curriculum Audit

Principles of Learning

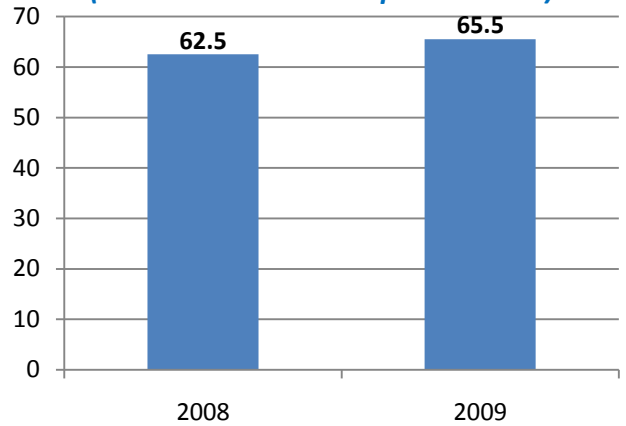
Theory of Action: Managed Instruction with Earned Empowerment

Results

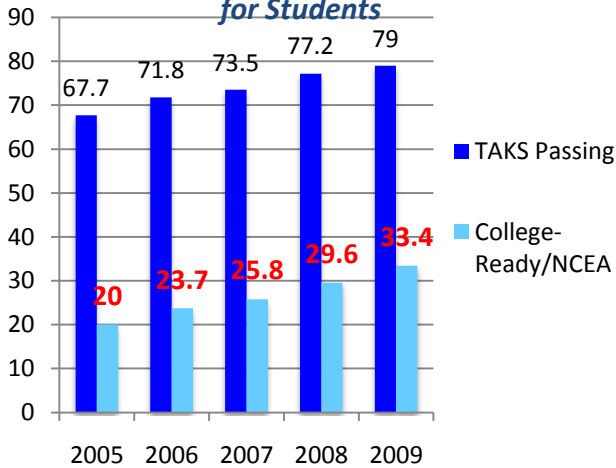
Texas Accountability System for Schools



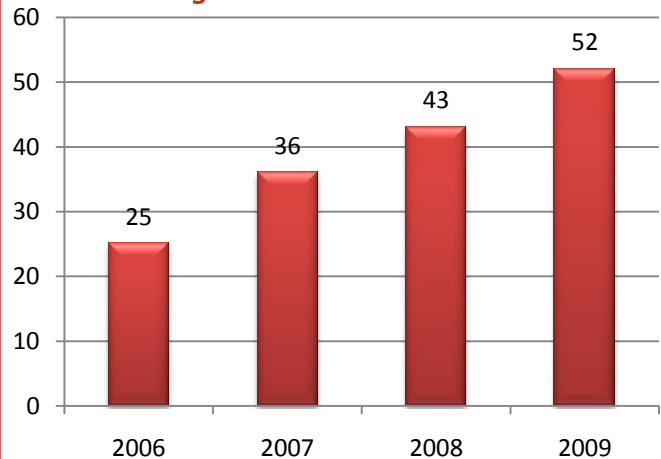
4 Year Graduation Rate (National Criteria Adopted in 2008)



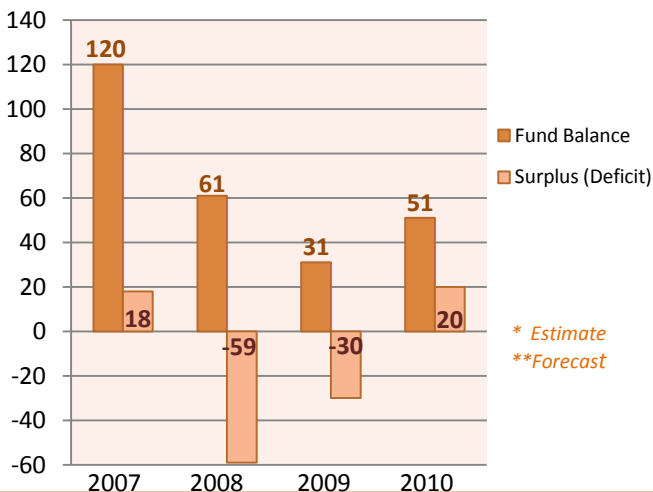
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Organizational Health Index



Operating & Maintenance (\$1,000,000)



Completed:

2002 \$1.37B Bond Program on time, under budget, no lawsuits

Passed:

2008 \$1.35B Bond Program

What Others Are Saying

“Dallas ISD has improved more than any other urban district in Texas and more than all but one urban district in the country in narrowing the achievement gap.”

**Brown Center on Education Policy
Brookings Institution
February 2009**

“The Dallas Independent School District and the students it serves have made substantial strides over the last several years. Its academic gains have been some of the most impressive in the country, and the district is now viewed as one of the nation’s fastest improving urban school systems.”

**Council of Great City Schools
June 2009**

“Dallas ISD students are showing improvement on college readiness indicators... and (the district) has shown improvement on Broad Prize indicators. Among the comparison Texas urban districts, only Houston ISD slightly outperforms Dallas ISD.”

**National Center for Educational Achievement
December 2008**

“Dallas ISD is pioneering a college readiness warning system and we are proud to lend our support to it,” in announcing a \$3.77 million grant.

**Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
January 2009**

“Top two public high schools in the country—School for the Talented and Gifted and School for Science and Engineering. Finding great schools is hard; finding our list’s two top schools close together in the same building is beyond belief.”

**Newsweek Magazine
June 2009**

“Dallas ISD principals and their teachers are no longer focusing on teaching to the test but rather creating academically challenging assignments that will better prepare students for college and the world of work. Dallas ISD has become an exemplar for urban schools as an effort based district that focuses on high achievement for all students.”

**Institute for Learning
June 2009**