

Basic Facts 2004 - 2005

GROWING.

STRONG.

LEARNERS.



Vision Statement

“The Irving ISD shall be recognized as the premier provider of educational services that meets the needs of every student.”

Mission Statement

“The Irving ISD, in partnership with families and the community, resolves to meet the needs of students and to cultivate the skills of learning, thinking and communicating.”

The Irving Independent School District offers students a fertile educational environment. Dedicated teachers are nurturing today's learners to become tomorrow's leaders. A well-planned instructional program gives students from all cultural, economic and educational backgrounds opportunities to cultivate their talents...to learn...and to grow strong.

Students



Attendance

Age requirements to attend IISD elementary schools:

Prekindergarten: Four years old on or before Sept. 1 (Prekindergarten students must also be limited English proficient or below the economic subsistence level.)

Kindergarten: Five years old on or before Sept. 1

First Grade: Six years old on or before Sept. 1, or enrolled in the first grade, or completed kindergarten, in the public schools of another state prior to transferring to the District.

Students attend schools in the attendance area where their parents reside. For information regarding which school a student should attend, contact the closest school principal's office or the Public Information Department at 972-215-5200.

Peak Enrollment

2004-2005 32,143*

*10/6/2004

Ethnic Distribution

African American	12.28%
American Indian39%
Asian	4.55%
Hispanic	60.54%
White.	22.24%

Entrance Requirements

Students entering IISD schools from other accredited schools are admitted at the level authorized by individual transcripts.

Students enrolling in the IISD must provide satisfactory evidence of required immunizations, proof of residency, and Social Security numbers are requested.

Immunization Requirements

Texas law requires immunizations for all students enrolled in schools.

PreKindergarten

5 Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus (4 if 1 received after age 4)

4 Polio's (3 if 1 received after age 4)

1 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (1 after 1st Birthday)

1 Hib after 15 months (or 3 before 15 months)

1 Varicella (dose or history of Chicken Pox)

Kindergarten, First Grade

4 Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus (1 after age 4)

3 Polio's (1 after age 4)

2 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (2 after 1st Birthday)

3 Hepatitis B

1 Varicella (dose or history of Chicken Pox)

Second, Third & Fourth Grades

3 Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus (1 after age 4)

3 Polio's (1 after age 4)

2 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (2 after 1st Birthday)

3 Hepatitis B

1 Varicella (dose or history of Chicken Pox)

Fifth Grade

3 Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus (1 after age 4)

3 Polio's (1 after age 4)

2 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (2 after 1st Birthday)

3 Hepatitis B

Sixth Grade

3 Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus (1 after age 4)

3 Polio's (1 after age 4)

2 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (2 after 1st Birthday)

Seventh, Eighth, Ninth & Tenth Grades

3 Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus ** (1 after age 4)

3 Polio's (1 after age 4)

2 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (2 after 1st Birthday)

3 Hepatitis B

1 Varicella (dose or history of Chicken Pox)

Eleventh & Twelfth Grades

3 Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus ** (1 after age 4)

3 Polio's (1 after age 4)*

2 Measles/Mumps/Rubella (2 after 1st Birthday)

*Polio vaccine not required for persons eighteen years of age or older

**Tetanus/Diphtheria booster required 10 years after last DPT or DTaP

***Serologic proof of immunity is acceptable in lieu of Measles, Mumps, Rubella and Chicken Pox vaccine.

****Serologic proof of immunity or serologic evidence

of infection for Hepatitis B is acceptable in lieu of Hepatitis B vaccine. Exclusions from compliance are allowable on an individual basis for medical contradictions and religious conflicts as specified in Texas Education Code 2.09, Chapter 97. For further information, contact a school nurse.

School Hours

Early Childhood Schools

Prekindergarten 7:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
11:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Elementary Schools

Kindergarten-Grade 5 7:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Middle Schools

Grades 6-8 8:15 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

High Schools

Grades 9-12 8:15 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

The Academy of Irving ISD

Grades 9-12 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
9:05 a.m. – 4:05 p.m.

Lunch Prices

Elementary (Grades K-5)	\$1.55
Secondary (Grades 6-8).	\$1.75
(Grades 9-12)	\$1.85
Visitors	\$2.25

Transportation

The State of Texas, through the Dallas County Schools, provides free bus transportation for students who reside two or more miles from their assigned schools. Please call your neighborhood school or the Dallas County Schools transportation supervisor at 972-313-4628 for bus route information.



Uniforms

Parents and staff at 30 IISD schools have chosen to require school uniforms. All early childhood, elementary and middle school students plus students attending selected learning centers wear uniforms. For more information, contact the schools.

Accountability Ratings



Texas Education Agency

The Texas Education Agency annually rates Texas public school districts and individual schools and then awards the following ratings: Exemplary, Recognized, Academically Acceptable or Academically Unacceptable.

The ratings are based upon student performance in reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies on the Texas Assessment of Knowledge & Skills tests during the 2003-2004 school year, school completion data for the class that graduated in 2003 (high school level) and dropout data (middle school level) from the 2002-2003 school year. Within each subject, test scores are evaluated in the following categories: all students, African-American, Hispanic, white, and economically disadvantaged.

Irving Independent School District . Academically Acceptable

Barton Elementary School	AA
Brandenburg Elementary School	AA
Britain Elementary School	AA
Brown Elementary School	AA
Davis Elementary School	AA
Elliott Elementary School	AA
Farine Elementary School	AA
Gilbert Elementary School	AA
Good Elementary School	AA
John Haley Elementary School	AA
Thomas Haley Elementary School	AA
Hanes Elementary School	AA
Johnston Elementary School	AA
Keyes Elementary School	AA
Lee Elementary School	AA
Lively Elementary School	AA
Schulze Elementary School	AA
Townley Elementary School	AA
Townsell Elementary School	AA
Austin Middle School	AA
Bowie Middle School	AA
Crockett Middle School	AA
de Zavala Middle School	AA
Houston Middle School	AA
Lamar Middle School	R
Travis Middle School	AA

Irving High School	AA
MacArthur High School	AA
Nimitz High School.....	AA

AA = Academically Acceptable R = Recognized

Test Scores

Texas Academic Knowledge & Skills (TAKS) 2003-2004

Percent Mastery

Grade	Reading/ ELA	Math	Writing	Science	Social Studies
3	90	86	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	81	83	89	N/A	N/A
5	72	76	N/A	54	N/A
6	78	69	N/A	N/A	N/A
7	79	69	90	N/A	N/A
8	87	69	N/A	N/A	88
9	82	53	N/A	N/A	N/A
10	75	56	N/A	57	83
11	86	82	N/A	81	96

ELA = English Language Arts

N/A = Not Administered

Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT)

Year	Math	Verbal	Total	Nation	Texas	IISD Tested
2003-2004	496	494	990	1026	992	45%
2002-2003	497	496	993	1016	993	43%
2001-2002	501	499	1000	1020	991	43%



National Merit Scholarship Competition

In order to participate in the National Merit Program, students take the Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test during their junior year.

Scholars

2004-2005	To be announced in April/May 2005
2003-2004	2
2002-2003	3

Finalists

2004-2005	To be announced in February 2005
2003-2004	2
2002-2003	5

Semifinalists

Commended

2004-2005	2	2004-2005	5
2003-2004	2	2003-2004	19
2002-2003	5	2002-2003	3

Scholarships

Seniors in the Class of 2004 earned scholarships in the amount of \$28,523,036.

College Attendance

Approximately 80% of the high school graduates attend technical school, two-year college, or four-year college or university.

Dropout Rate

0.3% 2002-2003 School Year



Curriculum



The Irving ISD is committed to providing the best educational experience possible for every student. By offering a diverse curriculum, approximately 32,000 students will have the opportunity to excel not only in reading, writing and mathematics, but also in a variety of other challenging and innovative courses designed to improve and extend learning. The following is a list of special features in the District.

Special Features

Advanced Placement Classes (8-12)
After School Programs (selected campuses)
Advanced & Applied Technology Studies
(Academy)
Army, Marine & Navy JROTC (9-12)
Athletics (7-12) including baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, gymnastics, ice hockey, soccer, softball, swimming/diving, tennis, track, volleyball and wrestling
Bilingual Education in Spanish and Vietnamese (PK-5)
Career & Technology Education (7-12)
Computer Instruction (PK-12)
Dual Enrollment at North Lake College (11-12)
Credit by Examination (K-12)
Distance Learning (K-12)
Dyslexia Services
Education & Early Childhood Studies (Academy)
Elementary Development Center (K-5)
English for Speakers of Other Languages (PK-12)
Entrepreneurship & Tourism Studies (Academy)
Extended Day & Year Programs (K-8)
Extracurricular Activities such as cheerleaders, drill team, high school newspapers and yearbooks, literary magazines, Student Council as well as subject and special interest clubs (secondary)
Fine Arts such as art, band, choir, dance, debate, drama, music, orchestra and speech (K-12)
French, German, Latin & Spanish (secondary)
Full-Day Kindergarten (all elementary schools)
Gifted & Talented Program (1-12)
Guidance & Counseling Program (PK-12)
Hands-on Science (K-5)
Health Services (all schools)
Honors Classes (6-12)
Internet connections (all schools)
Laboratory Sciences (6-12)



Laptop computers for all high school students
Learning Resources Services at Ratteree Center
Legal & International Studies (Academy)
Library with certified librarian (all schools)
Medical & Dental Studies (Academy)
MEGA (Motivation/Education/Guidance/
Achievement) Program for secondary students
(7-12)
Natatorium for Swim Teams (9-12)
Night School (9-12)
Newcomers Class for recent arrivals to USA
Online Curriculum & Assessment
Pacesetter English and PreCalculus (11-12)
Planetarium Instruction
Physical Education (K-12)
Prekindergarten (four-year-olds who are limited
English proficient and/or economically
disadvantaged offered at 3 schools)
Reading, Speech, Language and Hearing
Services
Reading Recovery Program & Descrubiendo La
Lectura
Regional School for the Deaf
Secondary Reassignment Center (6-12)
Special Education for Students With Disabilities*
Student Assistance Services
Summer School Programs (K-12)
Uniforms required at all schools except high
schools
Values Education (K-5)
Visual Arts & Communications Studies (Academy)
* Ages 3-22

Graduation Requirements

Students Entering 9th Grade

Prior to 2001-2002

Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12

	Recommended Diploma	Distinguished Achievement Diploma*
English	4	4
Mathematics	3	3
Science	3	3
Social Studies	4	4
Physical Education	1.5	1.5
Health	.5	.5
Other Languages	2	3
Technology Applications	2	2
Fine Arts	1	1
Speech	.5	.5
Electives	3.5	2.5
Total	25	25

Students Entering 9th Grade

2001-2002 & Beyond

Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12

	Recommended Diploma	Distinguished Achievement Diploma*
English	4	4
Mathematics	3	4
Science	3	3
Social Studies	4	4
Physical Education	1.5	1.5
Health	.5	.5
Other Languages	2	3
Technology Applications	1	1
Fine Arts	1	1
Communication Applications	.5	.5
Electives	4.5	3.5
Total	25	26

*Additional requirements of the Distinguished Achievement Diploma are (1) five of the credits must be earned in Honors/ Gifted & Talented/ Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate courses, and (2) the completion of 4 advanced measures.

Grade Reports

Grade reports are issued every six weeks during the school year. Progress reports are issued in the middle of each six weeks period.

Staff

Employees

Teachers	2,173
Other Professionals	419
Paraprofessional/Classified	1,264
Total Employees	3,856

Teacher Salaries

Degree	Beginning	Maximum
Bachelor	\$37,500	\$55,700
Master	\$39,000	\$58,860
Doctorate	\$41,000	\$60,860

Staff Development

IISD staff members participate in a year-round staff development program with extensive course offerings.

Percent of Professional Staff with

Advanced Degrees:	33%
Average number of years of teaching experience:	9.7

Student/Teacher Ratios

Early Childhood School Average	15.21/1
Elementary School Average	13.53/1
Middle School Average	15.30/1
High School Average	15.72/1

Finance 2004-2005

IISD Tax Rate	\$1.837 per \$100 assessed valuation
Assessed Valuation	\$7,845,066,791
Operating Budget	\$181,909,320
Percentage of Operating Budget for Instruction	68.2%
Per Student Cost	\$ 5,708 (Operating Budget, Based on Projected Peak Enrollment)
Operating Fund Balance	\$ 28,670,914*
Operating Fund Sources	
Local	63.8%
State	35.8%
Federal	4%
Bonded Indebtedness	\$ 456,726,321**
Bond Ratings	Standard & Poor's "AA" Moody's Investors Service "Aa3"

*Unaudited Balance as of 8/31/2004

**Principal Balance Only

Schools

Early Childhood Schools

Clifton	3950 Pleasant Run	972-261-2800
Kinkeade	2333 Cameron Place	972-273-6500
Pierce	901 Britain	972-554-3700

Elementary Schools

Barton	2931 Conflans	972-313-4100
Brandenburg	2800 Hillcrest	972-258-7100
Britain	631 Edmondson	972-554-3800
Brown	2501 W. Tenth	972-513-4000
Davis	310 Davis	972-313-4900
Elliott	1900 S. Story	972-313-4300
Farine	615 Metker	972-261-2700
Gilbert	1501 E. Pioneer	972-721-8400
Good	1200 E. Union Bower	972-721-3300
John Haley	1100 Schulze	972-273-6600
Thomas Haley	3601 Cheyenne	972-261-2500
Hanes	2730 Cheyenne	972-261-2900
Johnston	2801 Rutgers	972-659-7700
Keyes	1501 N. Britain	972-721-3400
Lee	1600 Carlisle	972-261-2600
Lively	1800 Plymouth	972-273-6700
Schulze	1200 S. Irving Heights	972-785-3500
Townley	1030 Vilbig	972-273-6800
Townsell	3700 Pleasant Run	972-215-5500

Middle Schools

Austin	825 E. Union Bower	972-721-3100
Bowie	600 E. Sixth	972-721-3000
Crockett	2431 Hancock	972-313-4700
de Zavala	707 W. Pioneer	972-273-8900
Houston	3033 W. Country Club	972-261-2300
Lamar	219 Crandall	972-313-4400
Travis	1600 Finley	972-261-2400

High Schools

Irving	900 O'Connor	972-273-8300
MacArthur	3700 N. MacArthur	972-261-2100
Nimitz	100 W. Oakdale	972-273-8600
The Academy of Irving	4601 N. MacArthur	972-258-5300

Special Schools

Elementary Development Center	1600 E. Shady Grove	972-721-3280
Wheeler Transitional Center	1600 E. Shady Grove	972-554-3755
Ratteree Career Development Center	2121 S. MacArthur	972-313-4800
Regional School for the Deaf	631 Edmondson	972-554-3880
Secondary Reassignment Center	3207 W. Pioneer	972-313-4600
Union Bower Center for Learning	101 E. Union Bower	972-273-6180

Facilities

Students attend classes in air-conditioned schools complete with cafeterias, libraries and gymnasiums. Several buildings have received national attention for their design.

IISD voters approved a \$249.5 million bond program in October 2001. These funds are being used to provide for new construction to accommodate enrollment growth, to renovate existing schools/other facilities, to provide additional technology for instruction and support services, to improve disabled access, and to update heating, ventilation and air conditioning.

Accreditation

IISD schools are accredited by the Texas Education Agency and the high schools are also accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools.

Board of Trustees

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Michael Hill
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School Board meetings are scheduled on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, 2621 W. Airport Freeway. Work sessions are also held at noon on the first and third Mondays at the same location. The meetings are open to the public.

Additional Information

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The Irving Independent School District is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of age, national origin, race, sex, color, religion, disability or against any other legally protected group.

Central Administrative Staff

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