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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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WE'VE GOT LOTS TO CHEER ABOUT



STATE OF THE DISTRICT
2017-2018

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OUR MISSION

WE WILL MAXIMIZE EVERY STUDENT'S POTENTIAL THROUGH RIGOROUS AND RELEVANT EXPERIENCES PREPARING STUDENTS TO BE 21ST CENTURY GLOBAL LEADERS.

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MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

I have a #CFISDForAll t-shirt that I wear from time to time that tends to elicit questions. If I'm asked what it means, I'm happy to share the CFISD story that is "Opportunity for All."

It's about programs like our Early College Plus initiative—a focus on affordable college now and not some hollow promise from charter schools.

It's about enrolling in our schools versus applying.

It's about first-class facilities and technology—no matter which corner of the district you happen to live in.


It's about local democracy; parents having a voice in their child's education.

It's about fine arts, athletics and CTE programs like welding or cosmetology—stimulating the whole child and their love for school.

It's about overcoming the poverty cycle—one student, one graduate at a time.

It's about a dedicated business community. One that includes a partner like Butch Milks at Balfour, who sells discounted letterman jackets to Cy-Fair High School so every LIFE Skills student can own one and feel like they belong.

It's what sets us apart, and why I'm so passionate about universal public education. The following pages will give you a glimpse of the CFISD story. I think you'll agree we have a lot to cheer about in this school district, and I invite you to join us in spreading the #CFISDspirit across northwest Harris County as we tell that story in 2017-2018.


Mark Henry, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

We are the best school district in the state because we offer each of our students the opportunities they need to be personally successful.

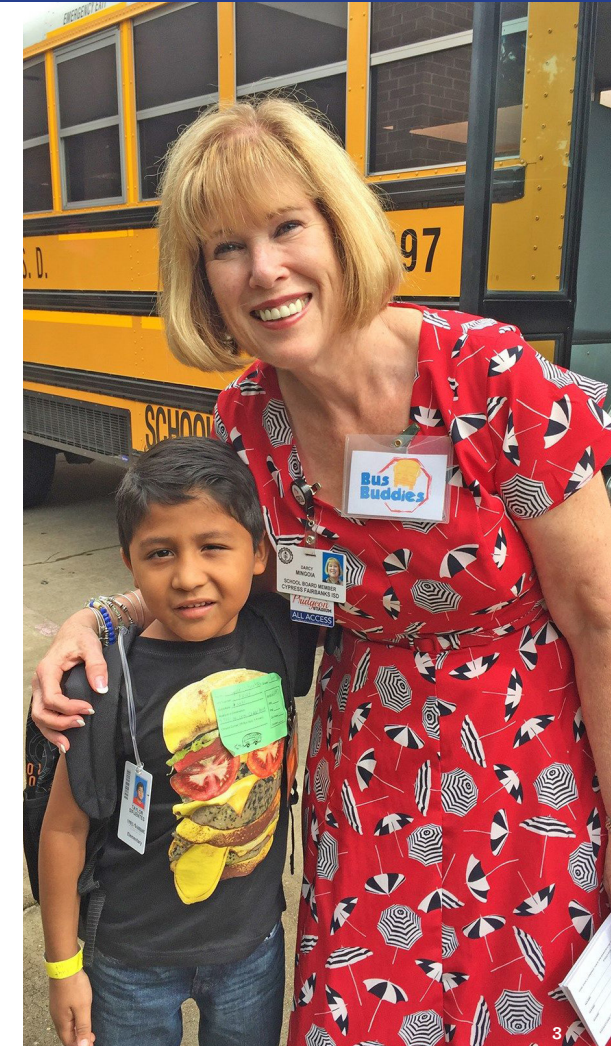
Our academics prepare our students for their careers or for their chosen higher education institutions. Every imaginable co-curricular and extra-curricular activity is available. Athletics for both boys and girls for any sport they might want is offered. Technology that prepares our students to operate effectively in the workplace and in higher education is a part of every day. And for the fifth year in a row, we are one of the top three districts in the State according to the Education Resource Group (ERG). The ERG looks at the academic and financial performance of the 200 largest districts in the state. Their productivity rating measures academic achievement and operating efficiency based on all funded expenditures.

In our 78th year, we will open our 12th full-service high school, Bridgeland High School, and two elementary schools, Pre-K through 5th grade at Wells Elementary and, in a new model, Pre-K through 2nd at Hoover Elementary. Hoover's across the street partner, the existing Jowell Elementary, will provide education opportunities for 3rd-5th graders. This year, almost 116,000 students in 91 facilities will call CFISD home.

We plan to continue and expand on our theme of #CFISDForAll. We have much to be proud of and we have lots of #CFISDSpirit. Join us in celebrating the good news and click on the Community Involvement tab at CFISD.net for volunteer opportunities.

2017-2018 is going to be a great year for all of us!


Darcy Mingoia
President, CFISD Board of Trustees



ENROLLMENT & DEMOGRAPHICS

CFISD continues to grow by approximately **1,000 students** each year, and is expected to **surpass 116,000 students** enrolled in 2017-2018. The district is the **third-largest in the state** and **22nd-largest in the nation**.

CFISD's multicultural population represents a **rich ethnic diversity** throughout the community.

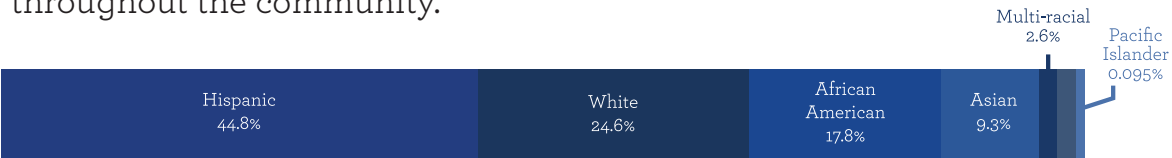


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According to district demographer Population and Survey Analysts (PASA), CFISD ranks second out of 61 Houston Metro area school districts for the most housing starts in the first quarter of 2017. New home closings have increased by 17 percent in CFISD, while the cumulative Houston Metro area decreased by 4 percent.

Approximately **17%** of CFISD's **186 square miles** remain undeveloped.

MORE THAN
38,000
NEW HOUSING OCCUPANCIES
PROJECTED IN CFISD BETWEEN
2017 - 2026



MORE THAN
100
LANGUAGES & DIALECTS
SPOKEN BY CFISD STUDENTS



FACILITIES

School construction is **booming** in 2017, as CFISD continues to make **efficient use** of taxpayer-approved **bond funds**.



Bridgeland High School



Wells Elementary School



Hoover Elementary School

The district expands to **91 schools and special program facilities** with the opening of Bridgeland HS (No. 12) and Wells ES (No. 55) in the educational village in the Bridgeland community, as well as Hoover ES (No. 56), an early-childhood focus campus relieving Jowell ES.



New security vestibule at Dean Middle School



Renovation at Watkins Middle School

Major renovations at Watkins and Dean MS and Adam and Bane ES will allow students and staff at aging campuses to feel as though they have brand-new homes in 2017-2018.



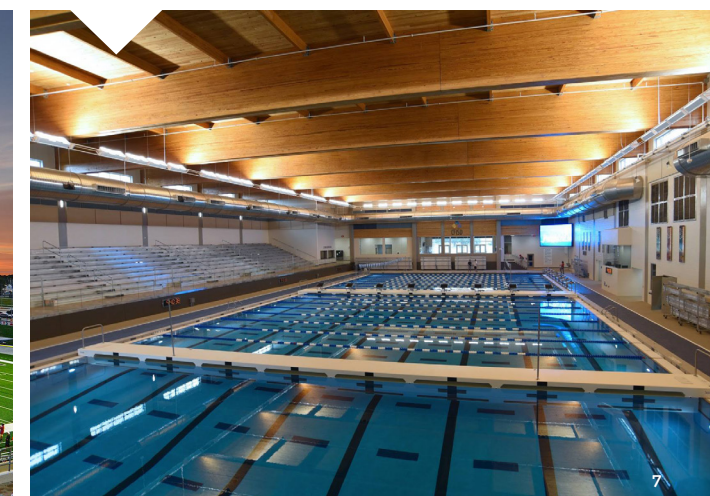
Finished renovation at Adam Elementary School

In addition to renovating tracks and grounds at several high schools, the athletics department opened a brand-new natatorium near Pidgeon Stadium this summer. The first-class facility will allow for more meet flexibility and easier access for a greater number of school swim teams.



The Matzke ES replacement campus also opened in August, providing a gorgeous and spacious home to a school that had outgrown its previous design.

A new cold food storage warehouse near Cypress Woods HS will relieve space and transportation for the food service department.





CY-FAIR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Cy-Fair Educational Foundation continues to generously support CFISD graduates and teachers with scholarships and staff development grants. Through events such as the Salute to the Stars Gala, Houston Methodist Cy-Hoops Invitational and BF Adam Golf Classic, the CFEF awarded \$447,000 in scholarships to 105 students in 2017.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

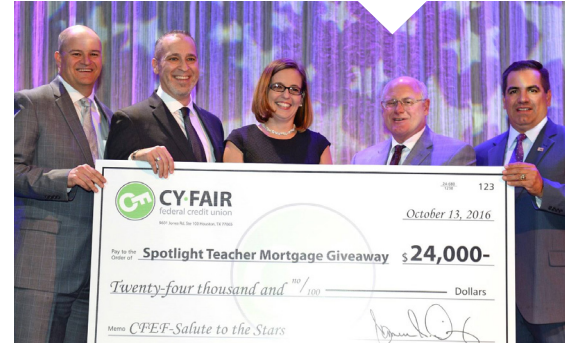
The CFISD community has truly embraced its local school district. Working with the community engagement team, more than **50 businesses and faith-based organizations** have formed Adopt-a-School partnerships with CFISD campuses.



Students benefit from nearly **800 adult mentors**.

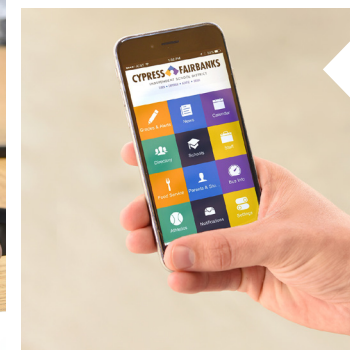
COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

The community programs department served more than 5,800 students through its before- and after-school program, Club Rewind, in the 2016-2017 school year.



COMMUNICATION

The communication team keeps the community up to date through resources such as the CFISD app (**30,000-plus downloads**), SchoolMessenger notification service (**nearly 300,000 subscribers**), website (**23 million-plus pageviews**) and social media (**more than 60,000 combined followers**).



\$449,854

IN ADVERTISING REVENUE

\$14,000,000

IN DONATIONS

\$94,850

IN SPONSORSHIPS FROM EVENTS LIKE SUPERINTENDENT'S FUN RUN & VIPS EVENT

HEALTH & SAFETY

CFISD police and security officers protect and keep peace in the community by forging positive relationships throughout the district.

78 POLICE OFFICERS

5 SECURITY PERSONNEL

MORE THAN **100** POLICE VEHICLES



Bond funds have allowed for new security cameras, card access and construction of new vestibules with bullet-resistant glazing at all campus sites. New fire alarms and public address systems will continue to be installed at several campuses.

CFISD's first-ever school-based health clinic, Cy-Fair Community Health Center, opened in 2016 and serves students and community members at its location near Cypress Park High School.

92 REGISTERED NURSES **43** CLINIC ASSISTANTS

OFFERED MORE THAN **190** CPR CLASSES IN 2016-2017

370 LIFE-SAVING AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS & **3,455** ELECTROCARDIOGRAM SCREENINGS across the district

NURSES & ATHLETIC TRAINERS ADMINISTERED



TECHNOLOGY



Nearly **7,000 Hovercams**, more than **3,000 Promethean** panels and more than **3,800 Light Speed** systems help enhance the educational experience throughout the district.



The district's three data centers host **95 physical and 210 virtual servers with 1.2 PB of data storage**. More than **17,000 CFISD email accounts** and **150,000-plus** network Microsoft and Google accounts are in operation.



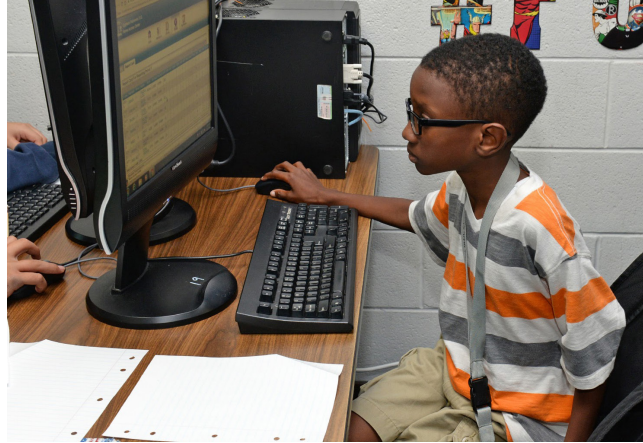
CFISD's information services team processed **593,000 report cards** and **383,387 payroll checks** in 2016-2017.

The eighth annual Technology Festival showcased 1,000 student projects to 3,700 guests last April, and the annual Digital Learning Conference in July allowed nearly 1,000 educators to enhance instruction with technology.



CFISD's technology team prepares students and staff for the ever-changing world. More than **200** 21st-century classrooms boast brand-new devices and equipment in 2017-2018.

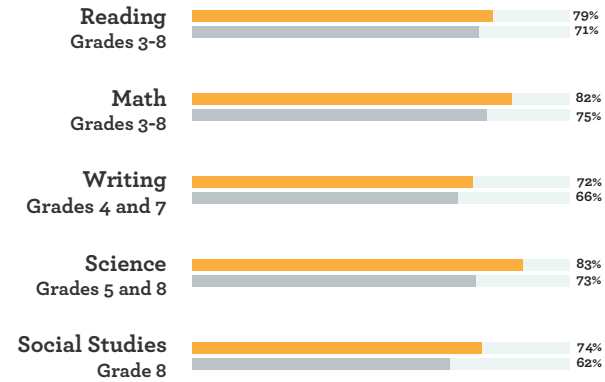




The 2017 STAAR assessments resulted in high passing numbers for CFISD as compared to state averages (see chart below).

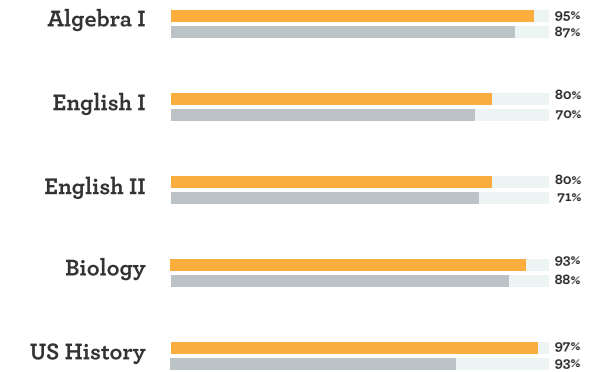
2017 STAAR Results, Grades 3 - 8

Approaches Grade Level Standard, English Version, All Student Group



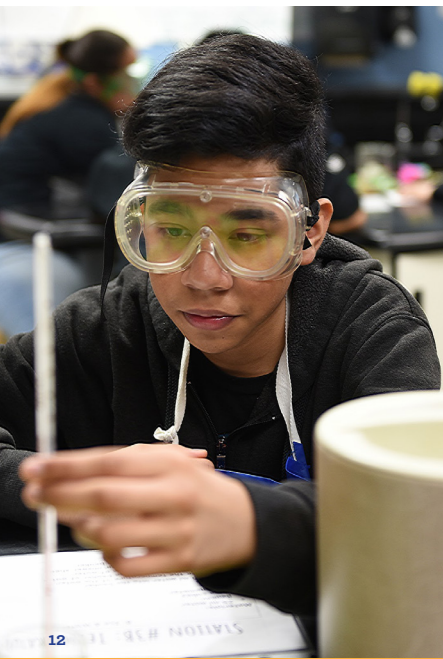
2017 STAAR Results, EOC Passing Rates

Approaches Grade Level Standard, First Time Tested, Spring 2017, All Student Group



CFISD State of Texas

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



The Texas Education Agency (TEA) awarded CFISD the highest possible rating of *Met Standard* for the fifth straight year in its annual accountability ratings in August.



LARGEST TEXAS DISTRICT WITH
100%
OF SCHOOLS EARN
MET STANDARD RATING

CFISD is taking college readiness to another level with a **College Academy** pilot program with Lone Star College—CyFair in 2017-2018 at Cypress Lakes HS. The program will allow students who earn diplomas in 2021 to **graduate with an associate degree** from LSC-CyFair.

Tuition Price Comparison			
Cost of one 3-hour course			
Texas A&M University	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	University of Houston	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$
Lone Star College	\$\$	Lone Star College Dual Credit	⌘



More than 17,000 students took advantage of AP courses in 2016-2017, while **more than 6,000** earned dual credit college hours.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY



Despite further decreases in state funding, CFISD passed a budget in June allowing for a **competitive teacher salary** and staff raises. The budget passed with a proposed 2017-2018 tax rate that will remain **unchanged** for yet another year.



Statewide organizations consistently rank CFISD as a fiscal leader in Texas. The district has earned a five-star rating from TXSmartSchools (formerly FAST) for all seven years of the program. The Education Resource Group has given CFISD a top-three state rating for combined financial and academic performance for five consecutive years.

CFISD's Board continues to preserve a 20-percent local homestead exemption that gives taxpayers a discount simply for living in the district.



20% Optional Local Homestead Exemption + \$25,000 state exemption



Total tax rate of \$1.44 for 2016-2017



CFISD BY THE NUMBERS

91
CAMPUSES

- 56 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
- 18 MIDDLE SCHOOLS
- 12 HIGH SCHOOLS
- 5 SPECIAL PROGRAM FACILITIES

115,525 STUDENTS

14,212
ESL/BILINGUAL STUDENTS

9,098
SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

49%
ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED

5,088
PROJECTED STUDENT ENROLLMENT INCREASE IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS

OPERATING COST PER STUDENT: **\$7,937**

ONE OF THE **LOWEST** IN TEXAS

89,090
STUDENTS INVOLVED IN FINE ARTS PROGRAMS

41%
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ATHLETES ON A/B HONOR ROLL

7,951 GRADUATES IN THE CLASS OF 2017

\$73,726,562 IN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO THE CLASS OF 2017

\$28,150,162 IN ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO THE CLASS OF 2017

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