

SCHOOLS FIRST REPORT 2023-2024

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FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE REPORT

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Introduction

The 77th Legislature (2001) enacted SB 218, which requires the implementation of a financial accountability rating system. The financial accountability rating system will be officially referred to as “Schools FIRST” (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas). The state’s school financial accountability rating system ensures that Texas public schools are held accountable for the quality of their financial management practices and that they improve those practices. The system is designed to encourage Texas public schools to better manage their financial resources to provide the maximum allocation possible for direct instructional purposes. After full implementation of the rating system, the districts’ ratings will be openly reported to the general public and to other interested persons and entities.

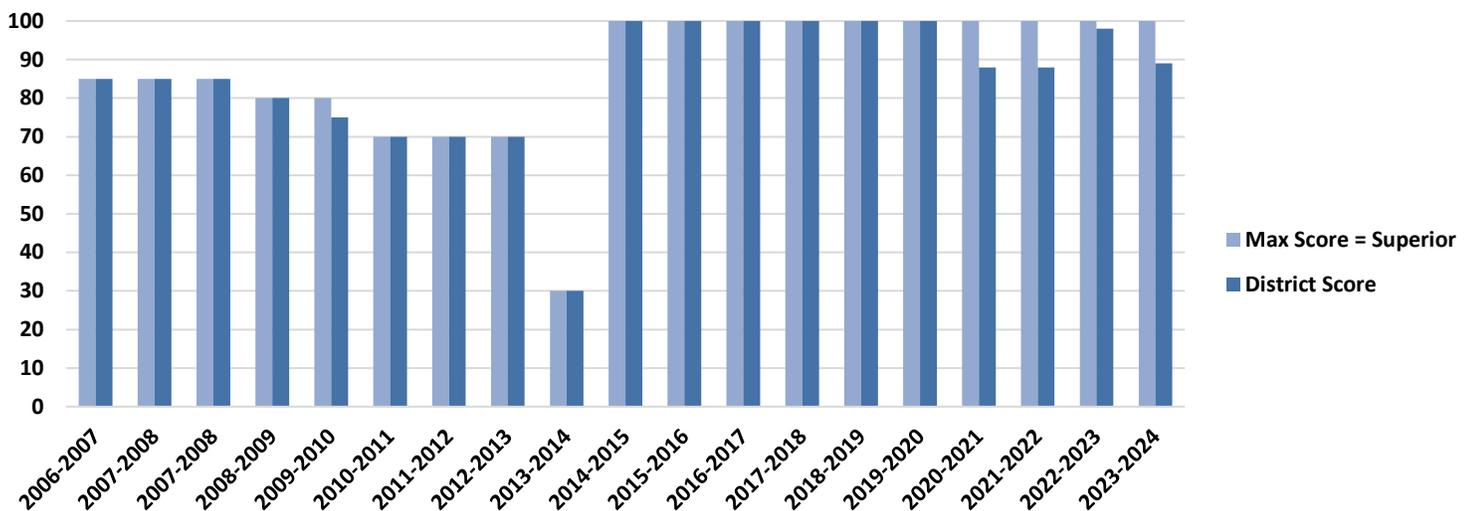
School Districts are required to prepare an annual financial management report within two months of issuing the final Schools FIRST ratings. School Districts are rated on various performance “indicators” relating to financial management. These indicator ratings inform the District of how well they are doing financially, and where the District should focus efforts for improvement. In addition to the rating of each indicator, Districts receive an overall status “superior, above standard, meets standard or substandard achievement” rating. These ratings are based on an analysis of staff and student data reported for the school year and budgetary and actual financial data for the same school fiscal year. The information that determines the Schools FIRST rating is submitted to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) via the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) and the Annual Financial Report (AFR).

The Schools FIRST accountability rating system has four different ratings. A financial accountability rating of “Superior” is scoring 90-100, with a perfect score equaling 100. The “Above Standard” rating is a score of 80-89, and “Meets Standard” rating is a score of 70-79. A financial accountability rating of “Substandard Achievement” is scoring less than 70. Any District answering “No” to the critical indicators 1, 2, 3, or 4 also qualifies for a financial accountability rating of “Substandard Achievement” regardless of points earned. Districts receiving the “Substandard Achievement” ratings must file a corrective action plan with the Texas Education Agency.

For several years, Dickinson ISD has received the highest financial accountability rating of Superior Achievement under the Schools FIRST. This year the District received a passing score of 89 with an **Above Standard Achievement** rating, the second highest financial accountability rating.

Dickinson ISD’s status detail is included in the report.

FIRST Rating Scores for Dickinson ISD





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2023-2024 RATINGS BASED ON SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023 DATA - DISTRICT STATUS DETAIL

Name: DICKINSON ISD(084901)	Publication Level 1: 8/8/2024 6:33:40 PM
Status: Passed	Publication Level 2: 8/8/2024 6:33:40 PM
Rating: B = Above Standard Achievement	Last Updated: 8/20/2024 1:41:25 PM
District Score: 89	Passing Score: 70

#	Indicator Description	Updated	Score
1	<u>Was the complete annual financial report (AFR) and data submitted to the TEA within 30 days of the November 27 or January 28 deadline depending on the school district's fiscal year end date of June 30 or August 31, respectively?</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Yes
2	<u>Was there an unmodified opinion in the AFR on the financial statements as a whole? (The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) defines unmodified opinion. The external independent auditor determines if there was an unmodified opinion.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Yes
3	<u>Was the school district in compliance with the payment terms of all debt agreements at fiscal year end? (If the school district was in default in a prior fiscal year, an exemption applies in following years if the school district is current on its forbearance or payment plan with the lender and the payments are made on schedule for the fiscal year being rated. Also exempted are technical defaults that are not related to monetary defaults. A technical default is a failure to uphold the terms of a debt covenant, contract, or master promissory note even though payments to the lender, trust, or sinking fund are current. A debt agreement is a legal agreement between a debtor (= person, company, etc. that owes money) and their creditors, which includes a plan for paying back the debt.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Yes
4	<u>Did the school district make timely payments to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS), Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and other government agencies? (If the school district received a warrant hold and the warrant hold was not cleared within 30 days from the date the warrant hold was issued, the school district is considered to not have made timely payments and will fail critical indicator 4. If the school district was issued a warrant hold, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 95 points, A = Superior Achievement, even if the issue surrounding the initial warrant hold was resolved and cleared within 30 days.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Yes Ceiling Passed
			1 Multiplier Sum
5	<u>Was the total net position in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Position (net of accretion of interest for capital appreciation bonds, net pension liability, and other post-employment benefits) greater than zero? (If it is not, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard Achievement, unless the school district has an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership. If the school district has an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Ceiling Failed
6	<u>Was the average change in (assigned and unassigned) fund balances over 3 years less than a 25 percent decrease or did the current year's assigned and unassigned fund balances exceed 75 days of operational</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Ceiling Passed

	<u>expenditures? (If the school district fails indicator 6, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)</u>		
7	<u>Was the number of days of cash on hand and current investments in the general fund for the school district sufficient to cover operating expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	8
8	<u>Was the measure of current assets to current liabilities ratio for the school district sufficient to cover short-term debt? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	10
9	<u>Did the school district's general fund revenues equal or exceed expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)? If not, was the school district's number of days of cash on hand greater than or equal to 60 days? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	10
10	This indicator is not being evaluated.		10
11	<u>Was the ratio of long-term liabilities to total assets for the school district sufficient to support long-term solvency? (If the school district's increase of students in membership over 5 years was 7 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership, then the school district passes this indicator.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	10
12	<u>What is the correlation between future debt requirements and the district's assessed property value?</u>	8/20/2024 1:41:25 PM	6
13	<u>Was the school district's administrative cost ratio equal to or less than the threshold ratio? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.</u>	8/20/2024 1:41:25 PM	10
14	<u>Did the school district not have a 15 percent decline in the students to staff ratio over 3 years (total enrollment to total staff)? If the student enrollment did not decrease, the school district will automatically pass this indicator.</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	10
15	This indicator is not being evaluated.		5
16	<u>Did the comparison of Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) data to like information in the school district's AFR result in a total variance of less than 3 percent of all expenditures by function? (If the school district fails indicator 16, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Ceiling Passed
17	<u>Did the external independent auditor report that the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting and compliance for local, state, or federal funds and free from substantial doubt about the school district's ability to continue as a going concern? (The AICPA defines material weakness.) (If the school district fails indicator 17, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard Achievement.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Ceiling Passed
18	<u>Did the external independent auditor indicate the AFR was free of any instance(s) of material noncompliance for grants, contracts, and laws related to local, state, or federal funds? (The AICPA defines material noncompliance.)</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	10
19	<u>Did the school district post the required financial information on its website in accordance with Government Code, Local Government Code, Texas Education Code, Texas Administrative Code and other statutes, laws and rules that were in effect at the school district's fiscal year end?</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	5
20	<u>Did the school district's administration and school board members discuss any changes and/or impact to local, state, and federal funding at a board meeting within 120 days before the district adopted its budget?</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Ceiling Passed
21	<u>Did the school district receive an adjusted repayment schedule for more than one fiscal year for an over-allocation of Foundation School Program (FSP) funds because of a financial hardship?</u>	4/19/2024 6:26:05 PM	Ceiling Passed
			94 Weighted Sum

		1 Multiplier Sum
		(89 Ceiling)
		89 Score

DETERMINATION OF RATING

A.	Did the school district fail any of the critical indicators 1, 2, 3, or 4? If so, the school district's rating is F for Substandard Achievement regardless of points earned.	
B.	Determine the rating by the applicable number of points.	
	A = Superior Achievement	90-100
	B = Above Standard Achievement	80-89
	C = Meets Standard Achievement	70-79
	F = Substandard Achievement	<70
<p>No Rating = A school district receiving territory that annexes with a school district ordered by the commissioner under TEC 13.054, or consolidation under Subchapter H, Chapter 41. No rating will be issued for the school district receiving territory until the third year after the annexation/consolidation.</p> <p>The school district receives an F if it scores below the minimum passing score, if it failed any critical indicator 1, 2, 3, or 4, if the AFR or the data were not both complete, or if either the AFR or the data were not submitted on time for FIRST analysis.</p>		

CEILING INDICATORS

Did the school district meet the criteria for any of the following ceiling indicators 4, 6, 16, 17, 20, or 21? If so, the school district's applicable maximum points and rating are disclosed below. Please note, an F = Substandard Achievement Rating supersedes any rating earned as the result of the school district meeting the criteria of a ceiling indicator.		
Determination of rating based on meeting ceiling criteria.	Maximum Points	Maximum Rating
Indicator 4 (Timely Payments) - School district was issued a warrant hold.	95	A = Superior Achievement
Indicator 6 (Average Change in Fund Balance) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 16 (PEIMS to AFR) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 17 (Material Weaknesses) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	79	C = Meets Standard Achievement
Indicator 20 (Property Values and Tax Discussion) - Response to indicator is <i>No</i> .	89	B = Above Standard Achievement
Indicator 21 (FSP Repayment Plan) - Response to indicator is <i>Yes</i> .	70	C = Meets Standard Achievement

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RESULT DETERMINATION REFERENCE

1. This indicator will be considered PASSED if the following CONDITION is TRUE:

The sum of Total Net Position, Net Pension Liability, and Net Other Post-Employment Benefits in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Position and Accretion of Interest for Capital Appreciation Bonds is greater than zero.

2. If the CONDITION above is not TRUE and:

a. The school district did not have an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7% or more or 1,000 or more students, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard Achievement.

b. The school district had an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7% or more or 1,000 or more students, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.

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2023-2024 RATINGS BASED ON 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR DATA INDICATOR TEST 5

Name: **DICKINSON ISD (084901)**

Indicator: Was the total net position in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Position (net of accretion of interest for capital appreciation bonds, net pension liability, and other post-employment benefits) greater than zero? (If it is not, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 79 points, C = Meets Standard Achievement, unless the school district has an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership. If the school district has an increase of students in membership over 5 years of 7 percent or more or 1,000 or more students in membership, the maximum points and highest rating that the school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.)

Ceiling: Ceiling criteria met. The maximum points and highest rating that your school district may receive is 89 points, B = Above Standard Achievement.

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FORMULA

Field	Value	Percent Variance
(
(
Total Net Position	-70,150,007	
+ Accretion of Interest for Capital Appreciation Bonds	2,107,102	
+ Net Pension Liability	44,303,387	
+ Net Other Post-Employment Benefits	22,757,481	
)		
> 0		
)		
And		
(
No matter what below conditions are	true	
Or		
(
(
2022-2023 Total Membership	12,334	
- 2018-2019 Total Membership	11,129	
)		
/ 2018-2019 Total Membership	11,129	
>= Threshold for Five-Year Percent Increase in Students	0.07	
)		
Or		
(
Change in Students	1,205	10.83
>= Threshold for Five-Year Numerical Increase in Students	1,000	
)		
)		

Mathematical Breakdown: $-982,037 > 0$ And (true Or $0.1083 \geq 0.07$ Or $1,205 \geq 1,000$)



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2023-2024 RATINGS BASED ON 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR DATA INDICATOR TEST 7

Name:	DICKINSON ISD (084901)
Indicator:	Was the number of days of cash on hand and current investments in the general fund for the school district sufficient to cover operating expenditures (excluding facilities acquisition and construction)? See ranges below in the Determination of Points section.
Result/Points	8
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FORMULA

Field	Value
(
(
Cash and Equivalents	14,524,179
+ Current Investments	15,533,737
)	
/	
(
Total Expenditures	131,598,843
- Facilities Acquisition and Construction	987,508
)	
)	
* 365	
Mathematical Breakdown: 83.9984	

RESULT DETERMINATION REFERENCE

DETERMINATION OF POINTS					
10	8	6	4	2	0
>=90	<90 >=75	<75 >=60	<60 >=45	<45 >=30	<30

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2023-2024 RATINGS BASED ON 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR DATA INDICATOR TEST 12

Name:	DICKINSON ISD (084901)
Indicator:	What is the correlation between future debt requirements and the district's assessed property value?
Result/Points	6
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FORMULA

Field	Value
(
Total Local and Intermediate Sources	28,988,431
/ Total Revenue	30,157,162
)	
* Long Term Liabilities	486,455,681
* 100	
/ Assessed Property Value	6,587,115,822
Mathematical Breakdown: 7.0988	

RESULT DETERMINATION REFERENCE

DETERMINATION OF POINTS					
10	8	6	4	2	0
<= 4	> 4 <= 7	> 7 <= 10	> 10 <= 11.5	> 11.5 <= 13.5	> 13.5

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DICKINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SUPERINTENDENT’S EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 § KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:
COUNTY OF §
GALVESTON §

THIS SUPERINTENDENT’S EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT (“Contract”) is made and entered into effective the 14th day of May, 2024, by and between the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the Dickinson Independent School District (the “District”) and Rebecca Brown, Ph.D. (the “Superintendent”).

WITNESSETH:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board and the Superintendent, for and in consideration of the terms hereinafter established and pursuant to Section 11.201(b) and Chapter 21, Subchapter E of the Texas Education Code, have agreed, and do hereby agree, as follows:

I. Term

1.1 **Term.** The Board, by and on behalf of the District, does hereby employ the Superintendent, and the Superintendent does hereby accept employment as Superintendent of Schools for the District for a term of four (4) years, commencing on July 1, 2024, and ending on June 30, 2028. The District may, by action of the Board, and with the consent and approval of the Superintendent, extend the term of this Contract as permitted by state law.

1.2 **No Tenure.** The Board has not adopted any policy, rule, regulation, law, or practice providing for tenure. No right of tenure is created by this Contract. No property interest, express or implied, is created in continued employment beyond the Contract term.

II. Employment

2.1 **Duties.** The Superintendent is the chief executive of the District and shall faithfully perform the duties of the Superintendent of Schools for the District as prescribed in the job description and as may be lawfully assigned by the Board, and shall comply with all lawful Board directives, state and federal law, District policy, rules, and regulations as they exist or may hereafter be amended. Specifically, it shall be the duty of the Superintendent to recommend to the Board or employ personnel of the District in accordance with the Board’s policies. It shall be the further duty of the Superintendent to direct, assign, reassign, and evaluate all of the employees of the District consistent with Board policies and federal and state law. It shall be the further duty of the Superintendent to organize, reorganize, and arrange the staff of the District, and to develop and establish administrative regulations, rules, and procedures which the Superintendent deems necessary for the efficient and effective operation of the District consistent with the Board’s lawful

directives, the Board's policies, and state and federal law. It shall be the further duty of the Superintendent to accept all resignations of employees of the District consistent with the Board's policies, except the Superintendent's resignation, which may only be accepted by the Board. The Superintendent shall perform the duties of the Superintendent of Schools for the District with reasonable care, diligence, skill, and expertise. All duties assigned to the Superintendent by the Board shall be appropriate to and consistent with the professional role and responsibility of the Superintendent.

2.2 Professional Certification. The Superintendent shall at all times during the term of this Contract, and any renewal or extension thereof, hold and maintain a valid certificate required of a superintendent by the State of Texas and issued by the State Board for Educator Certification or the Texas Education Agency and any other certificates required by law.

2.3 Reassignment. The Superintendent cannot be reassigned from the position of Superintendent to another position without the Superintendent's express written consent.

2.4 Board Meetings. The Superintendent shall attend all meetings of the Board, both public and closed, with the exception of those closed meetings devoted to the consideration of any action or lack of action on the Superintendent's Contract, or the Superintendent's evaluation, or for purposes of resolving conflicts between individual Board members, or when the Board is acting in its capacity as a tribunal. In the event of illness or Board-approved absence, the Superintendent's designee shall attend such meetings.

2.5 Criticisms, Complaints, and Suggestions. The Board, individually and collectively, shall refer in a timely manner all substantive criticisms, complaints, and suggestions called to the Board's attention either: (a) to the Superintendent for study and/or appropriate action, and the Superintendent shall refer such matter(s) to the appropriate District employee or shall investigate such matter(s) and shall within a reasonable time inform the Board of the results of such efforts; or, (b) to the appropriate complaint resolution procedure as established by District Board policies.

2.6 Indemnification. To the extent it may be permitted to do by applicable law, including, but not limited to Texas Civil Practice & Remedies Code Chapter 102, the District does hereby agree to defend, hold harmless, and indemnify Superintendent from any and all demands, claims, suits, actions, judgments, expenses and attorneys' fees incurred in any legal proceedings brought against Superintendent in the Superintendent's individual or official capacity as an employee and as Superintendent of the District, providing the incident(s), which is (are) the basis of any such demand, claim, suits, actions, judgments, expenses and attorneys' fees, arose or does arise in the future from an act or omission of Superintendent as an employee of the District, acting within the course and scope of Superintendent's employment with the District; excluding, however, any such demand, claim, suits, actions, judgments, expenses and attorneys' fees for those claims or any causes of action where it is determined that Superintendent committed official misconduct, or committed a willful or wrongful act or omission, or an act or omission constituting gross negligence, or acted in bad faith; and excluding any costs, fees, expenses or damages that would be recoverable or payable under an insurance contract, held either by the District or by Superintendent. The selection of Superintendent's legal counsel shall be with the mutual agreement of Superintendent and the District if such legal counsel is not also District's legal

counsel. A legal defense may be provided through insurance coverage, in which case Superintendent's right to agree to legal counsel provided for him will depend on the terms of the applicable insurance contract. To the extent this Section 2.6 exceeds the authority provided and limitations imposed by Texas Civil Practice & Remedies Code, Chapter 102, it shall be construed and modified accordingly. The provisions of this Section 2.6 shall survive the termination of this contract.

III. Compensation

3.1 **Salary.** The District shall provide the Superintendent with an annual salary in the sum of two hundred fifty-five thousand dollars (\$255,000) predicated on 221 work days each year. This annual salary rate shall be paid to the Superintendent in equal installments consistent with the Board's policies.

3.2 **Salary Adjustments.** At any time during the term of this Contract, the Board may, in its discretion, review and adjust the salary of the Superintendent, but in no event shall the Superintendent be paid less than the salary set forth in Section 3.1 of this Contract except by mutual agreement of the two parties or on a temporary basis in accordance with Section 21.4021 or Section 21.4032 of the Texas Education Code. Such adjustments, if any, shall be made pursuant to lawful Board action. Except for circumstances making a widespread salary reduction or furlough necessary, the parties agree to provide their best efforts and reasonable cooperation to execute a new contract or contract amendment incorporating the adjusted salary. Subject to and without waiving any Constitutional and/or other challenges by the Superintendent, the Superintendent acknowledges that the District may have certain rights pursuant to Texas Education Code Sections 21.4021 and/or 21.4032. Once the exigent financial conditions of the District making a widespread salary reduction necessary under Section 21.4032 of the Texas Education Code no longer exist, the Superintendent's annual salary shall return to the sum set forth in Section 3.1 of this Contract. If the Board implements a furlough under Texas Education Code section 21.4021, the Superintendent shall be furloughed for the same number of days as other contract personnel and the Superintendent's salary shall be reduced in proportion to the number of furlough days.

3.3 **Non-contract, Holiday and Personal Leave.** The Superintendent may take, at the Superintendent's choice, the same number of non-contract days authorized by policies adopted by the Board for administrators on twelve-month contracts, the days to be in a single period or at different times. If the Superintendent anticipates taking more than five (5) consecutive non-contract days then prior approval of the Board President is required, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The non-contract days taken by the Superintendent will be taken at such time or times as will least interfere with the performance of the Superintendent's duties as set forth in this Contract. Accrued but unused non-contract days, up to a maximum of ten (10) days annually, shall accumulate and carry forward from year to year during the term of this Contract for a total of no more than fifty (50) days total accumulation. The Superintendent shall observe the same legal holidays and receive the same sick leave and personal leave benefits as authorized by Board policies for administrative employees who serve 221 work days each year.

3.4 **Insurance.** The District shall pay the same premiums for hospitalization and major medical insurance coverage for the Superintendent pursuant to the group health care plan provided by the District for its administrative employees.

3.5 **Professional Growth.** The Superintendent shall devote the Superintendent's time, attention, and energy to the direction, administration, and supervision of the District. The Board, however, encourages the continued professional growth of the Superintendent through the Superintendent's active attendance at and participation in appropriate professional meetings at the local, regional, state and national levels. The Board shall encourage the use of data and information sources, and shall encourage the participation of the Superintendent in pertinent education seminars and courses offered by public or private institutions or by educational associations, as well as the participation in informational meetings with those individuals whose particular skills, expertise, or backgrounds would serve to improve the capacity of the Superintendent to perform the Superintendent's professional responsibilities for the District. In its encouragement of the Superintendent to grow professionally, the Board shall permit a reasonable amount of release time for the Superintendent as the Superintendent and the Board deem appropriate, to attend such seminars, courses or meetings. The District shall pay the Superintendent's membership dues in relevant professional organizations. The District shall bear the reasonable cost and expense for registration, travel, meals, lodging, and other related expenses for such attendance and membership with notice to the Board.

3.6 **Civic Activities.** The Board encourages the Superintendent to become a member of and participate in community and civic affairs, civic clubs, governmental committees, and educational organizations. The Board concludes that such participation will serve a legitimate purpose related to the educational mission of the District. The Superintendent may hold offices or accept responsibilities in these professional organizations, provided that such responsibilities do not interfere with the performance of his duties as Superintendent. Prior to engaging in these activities, the Superintendent will notify the Board in writing of the activity. The Board will notify the Superintendent if the activity presents a conflict or interferes with the performance of his duties as Superintendent. The District shall also pay the reasonable and customary dues for the Superintendent's membership in local civic and community organizations of the Superintendent's choice subject to prior Board approval.

3.7 **Expenses.** Subject to Board approval, the District shall pay or reimburse the Superintendent for reasonable, business-related expenses incurred by the Superintendent in the continuing performance of the Superintendent's duties under this Contract. Subject to such actual or incidental costs may include, but are not limited to, gasoline, hotels and accommodations, meals, rental car, and other reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of the District's business. The Superintendent shall comply with all procedures and documentation requirements in accordance with Board Policy.

3.8 The District shall pay a salary supplement to the Superintendent of \$7,500 per annum to cover performance of ancillary duties and services rendered in the performance of this contract, to be paid semi-monthly as other salary payments.

3.9 The District shall fund a \$50,000 term life insurance plan for the Superintendent; the beneficiaries to the policy shall be determined by the Superintendent or her designee.

3.10 **Moving/Relocation Expense – Reimbursement.** In connection with the necessary relocation of the Superintendent and the Superintendent's family to the District, the District shall reimburse the Superintendent no more than Ten Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00) for necessary and reasonable expenses incurred in moving the Superintendent's family and belongings, including any necessary storage unit rental costs associated with the move. The Superintendent shall document all expenses with receipts, cancelled checks or credit card statements and the District shall reimburse the Superintendent for all such documented expenses up to the maximum amount as stated above, within thirty (30) school days of the Superintendent's final move into the District. The Superintendent will be required to physically reside in the District within twelve (12) months of the first day of school for the 2024-25 school year.

3.11 All payments to the Superintendent as made by the District to fulfill this contract shall be considered as salary and shall be reported as such to all appropriate agencies.

IV. Annual Performance Goals

4.1 **Development of Goals.** The Superintendent and Board shall work together to develop goals for the District in accordance with Board Policy and applicable law. The goals approved by the Board shall at all times be reduced to writing ("District Goals") and shall be among the criteria on which the Superintendent's performance is reviewed and evaluated. The Board agrees to work with and support the Superintendent in achieving the District Goals.

V. Review of Performance

5.1 **Time and Basis of Evaluation.** The Board shall evaluate and assess in writing the performance of the Superintendent at least once each year during the term of this Contract. The Board's evaluation and assessment of the Superintendent shall be reasonably related to the duties of the Superintendent as outlined in the Superintendent's job description and shall be based on the District's progress towards accomplishing the District Goals.

5.2 **Confidentiality.** Unless the Superintendent expressly requests otherwise in writing, the evaluation of the Superintendent shall at all times be conducted in executive session and shall be considered confidential to the extent permitted by law. Nothing herein shall prohibit the Board or the Superintendent from sharing the content of the Superintendent's evaluation with their respective legal counsel.

5.3 **Evaluation Format and Procedures.** The evaluation format and procedure shall be in accordance with the Board's policies and state and federal law. In the event that the Board determines that the performance of the Superintendent is unsatisfactory in any respect, it shall describe in writing, in reasonable detail, specific instances of unsatisfactory performance. The evaluation shall include recommendations as to areas of improvement in all instances where the Board deems performance to be unsatisfactory. A copy of the written evaluation shall be delivered to the Superintendent. The Superintendent shall have the right to make a written response to the evaluation within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written evaluation from the Board. That response shall become a permanent attachment to the evaluation in the Superintendent's personnel file. In the event the Board deems that the evaluation instrument, format, and/or procedure is to

be modified by the Board and such modifications would require new or different performance expectations, the Superintendent shall be provided a reasonable period of time to demonstrate such expected performance before being evaluated.

VI. Extension or Nonrenewal of Employment Contract

6.1 **Extension/Nonrenewal.** Extension and/or nonrenewal shall be in accordance with Board policy and applicable law.

VII. Termination of Employment Contract

7.1 **Mutual Agreement.** This Contract may be terminated by the mutual agreement of the Superintendent and the Board in writing upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon.

7.2 **Retirement or Death.** This Contract shall be terminated upon the retirement or death of the Superintendent.

7.3 **Dismissal for Good Cause.** The Board may dismiss the Superintendent during the term of the Contract for good cause. The term "good cause" is defined as follows:

- (a) Failure to fulfill duties or responsibilities as set forth under the terms and conditions of this Contract;
- (b) Incompetence or inefficiency in the performance of required or assigned duties as documented by evaluations, supplemental memoranda, or other written communication from the Board; provided, however, the terms and conditions of this paragraph shall not justify good cause unless the Board has provided the Superintendent a reasonable opportunity to remediate any incompetency or inefficiency;
- (c) Insubordination or failure to comply with lawful written Board directives;
- (d) Failure to comply with the Board's policies or the District's administrative regulations;
- (e) Neglect of duties;
- (f) Drunkenness or excessive use of alcoholic beverages;
- (g) Illegal use of drugs, hallucinogens, or other substances regulated by the Texas Controlled Substances Act;
- (h) Conviction of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude;
- (i) Failure to meet the District's standards of professional conduct;
- (j) Failure to comply with reasonable District professional development requirements regarding advanced course work or professional development;
- (k) Disability, not otherwise protected by law, that impairs performance of the required duties of the Superintendent;
- (l) Immorality, which is conduct the Board determines is not in conformity with the accepted moral standards of the community encompassed by the District. Immorality is not confined to sexual matters, but includes conduct inconsistent with rectitude or indicative of corruption, indecency, or depravity;

- (m) Assault on an employee or student;
- (n) Knowingly falsifying records or documents related to the District's activities;
- (o) Conscious misrepresentation of facts to the Board or other District officials in the conduct of the District's business;
- (p) Failure to fulfill requirements for superintendent certification; or,
- (q) Any other reason constituting "good cause" under Texas law.

7.4 Termination Procedure. In the event that the Board terminates this Contract for "good cause," the Superintendent shall be afforded all the rights as set forth in the Board's policies and State and Federal law.

7.5 Resignation of Superintendent. The Superintendent may leave the employment of the District at the end of a school year without penalty by filing a written resignation with the Board. The resignation must be addressed to the Board and filed not later than the 90th day before the first day of instruction of the following year. The Superintendent may resign with the consent of the Board at any other time.

VIII. Miscellaneous

8.1 Controlling Law. This Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas and shall be performable in Galveston County, Texas, unless otherwise provided by law. Venue for any legal proceeding related to this Contract and/or the Superintendent's employment at the District shall lie in Galveston County, Texas.

8.2 Complete Agreement. This Contract embodies the entire agreement between the parties hereto and cannot be varied except by written agreement of the undersigned parties, except as expressly provided herein. This Contract supersedes all prior agreements and resolutions concerning employment of the Superintendent into one document. This Contract may only be amended by written instrument, executed by both parties.

8.3 Conflicts. In the event of any conflict between the terms, conditions, and provisions of this Contract and the provisions of the Board's policies, or any permissive state or federal law, then, unless otherwise prohibited by law, the terms of this Contract shall take precedence over the contrary provisions of the Board's policies or any such permissive law during the term of the Contract.

8.4 Savings Clause. In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Contract shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision thereof, and this Contract shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein. All existing agreements and contracts, both verbal and written, between the parties hereto regarding the employment of the Superintendent have been superseded by this Contract, and this Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties unless amended pursuant to the terms of this Contract.

DICKINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: [Signature]
President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

By: [Signature]
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Executed this 14 day of May, 2024.

SUPERINTENDENT

By: [Signature]
Rebecca Brown, Ph.D.

Executed this 14 day of May, 2024.

SCHOOL FIRST ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT 2022/2023 FISCAL YEAR

Title 19 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 109, Budgeting, Accounting and Auditing Subchapter AA, Commissioner's Rules Concerning Financial Accountability Rating System, 109.1001(o). Effective 8/6/2015

1. SUPERINTENDENT'S CURRENT EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

A copy of the superintendent's current employment contract at the time of the Schools FIRST hearing is to be provided. In lieu of publication in the Schools FIRST financial management report, the school district may choose to publish the superintendent's employment contract on the school district's internet site. If published on the internet, the contract is to remain accessible for twelve months.

Attached

2. REIMBURSEMENTS RECEIVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD MEMBERS (detail attached)

For the Twelve-Month Period Ended August 31, 2023

Description of Reimbursement	Superintendent Carla Voelkel	President David Swartz	Vice-President Corey Magliolo	Secretary Veanna Veasey	Member Jeff Pittman	Member Jessica Rodriguez	Member Fritzie Samford	Member Mike Mackey	Member Mary Anthamatten	Total
Meals	\$32.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$32.00
Lodging	\$424.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$424.58
Transportation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Motor Fuel	\$1,688.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,710.66
Other	\$1,050.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$490.00	\$0.00	\$460.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$105.00	\$2,105.00
Business Meeting Meals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$3,194.74	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$512.50	\$0.00	\$460.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$105.00	\$4,272.24

Note - The spirit of the rule is to capture all "reimbursements" for the fiscal year, regardless of the manner of payment, including direct pay, credit card, cash and purchase orders. Items to be reported per category include:

Meals - Meals consumed off of the school district's premises, and in-district meals at area restaurants (excludes catered meals for board meetings).

Lodging - Hotel charges.

Transportation - Airfare, car rental (can include fuel on rental), taxis, mileage reimbursements, leased cars, parking and tolls.

Motor Fuel - Gasoline.

Other - Registration fees, telephone/cell phone, internet service, fax machine, and other reimbursements (or on-behalf of) to the superintendent and board member not defined above.

3. OUTSIDE COMPENSATION AND/OR FEES RECEIVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING AND/OR OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES

For the Twelve-Month Period Ended August 31, 2023

Name(s) of Entity(ies)	Amount Received
Total	\$0.00

Note - Compensation does not include business revenues generated from a family business (farming, ranching, etc.) that has no relation to school district business.

4. GIFTS RECEIVED BY EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS (AND FIRST DEGREE RELATIVES, IF ANY)

(gifts that had an economic value of \$250 or more in the aggregate in the fiscal year)

For the Twelve-Month Period Ended August 31, 2023

Description of Gift	Superintendent Carla Voelkel	President David Swartz	Vice-President Corey Magliolo	Secretary Veanna Veasey	Member Jeff Pittman	Member Jessica Rodriguez	Member Fritzie Samford	Member Mike Mackey	Member Mary Anthamatten	Total
Summary Amounts										
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Note - An executive officer is defined as the superintendent, unless the board of trustees or the district administration names additional staff under this classification for local officials.

5. BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN SCHOOL DISTRICT AND BOARD MEMBERS

For the Twelve-Month Period Ended August 31, 2023

Description of Transaction	Superintendent Carla Voelkel	President David Swartz	Vice-President Corey Magliolo	Secretary Veanna Veasey	Member Jeff Pittman	Member Jessica Rodriguez	Member Fritzie Samford	Member Mike Mackey	Member Mary Anthamatten	Total
Summary Amounts										
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Note - The summary amounts reported under this disclosure are not to duplicate the items disclosed in the summary schedule of reimbursements received by board members.

**SCHOOL FIRST ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT 2022/2023 FISCAL YEAR
DETAIL**

REIMBURSEMENTS TO SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEMBERS
For the Twelve- Month Period Ending August 31, 2023

Description of Reimbursement	Superintendent Carla Voelkel	President David Swartz	Vice-President Corey Magliolo	Secretary Veanna Veasey	Member Jeff Pittman	Member Jessica Rodriguez	Member Fritzie Samford	Member Mike Mackey	Member Mary Anthamatten	Total
MEALS										
N2 Learning Principal's Institute	\$8.00									\$8.00
UIL State Marching Contest	\$24.00									\$24.00
										\$0.00
										\$0.00
Total Meals	\$32.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$32.00
LODGING										
N2 Learning Principal's Institute	\$241.53									\$241.53
UIL OAP State Competition	\$183.05									\$183.05
										\$0.00
										\$0.00
Total Lodging	\$424.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$424.58
TRANSPORTATION										
										\$0.00
										\$0.00
Total Transportation - Airfare, car rental, parking	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
MOTOR FUEL-MILEAGE REIMB										
										\$0.00
Governance Camp/TASB	\$45.00			\$22.50						\$67.50
N2 Learning Principal's Institute	\$179.10									\$179.10
Bond Basics -TACS	\$192.60									\$192.60
UIL State Marching Contest	\$212.40									\$212.40
UIL OAP State Competition	\$192.60									\$192.60
RRR Leadership Conference	\$149.85									\$149.85
Mileage- September 2022	\$65.70									\$65.70
Mileage- October 2022	\$129.83									\$129.83
Mileage- November 2022	\$133.20									\$133.20
Mileage- December 2022	\$9.00									\$9.00
Mileage- February 2023	\$142.56									\$142.56
Mileage- April 2023	\$80.28									\$80.28
Mileage- May 2023	\$49.95									\$49.95
Mileage- July/Aug 2023	\$106.09									\$106.09
										\$0.00
										\$0.00
Total Motor Fuel/Mileage Reimbursement	\$1,688.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,710.66
OTHER-Registration fees										
										\$0.00
Orientation to TEC- Region IV									\$75.00	\$75.00
Governance Camp- TASB				\$460.00		\$460.00				\$920.00
CEUs for BOT- TASB				\$30.00					\$30.00	\$60.00
Bond Basics -TACS	\$200.00									\$200.00
Midwinter- TASA	\$75.00									\$75.00
RRR Leadership Conference	\$450.00									\$450.00
Legislative Update- Walsh Gallegos	\$150.00									\$150.00
Legal Update- Leon Alcala	\$175.00									\$175.00
										\$0.00
										\$0.00
Total-Registration fees, tips, other	\$1,050.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$490.00	\$0.00	\$460.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$105.00	\$2,105.00
BUSINESS MEETINGS / LUNCHEONS										
										\$0.00
										\$0.00
										\$0.00
Total Business Meetings	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$3,194.74	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$512.50	\$0.00	\$460.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$105.00	\$4,272.24