

MEMORANDUM

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TO: School Board Members

FROM: Terry B. Grier, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: **GRADUATES BY TYPE OF DIPLOMA FOR 2009–2010 AND 2010–2011**

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In an effort to keep you informed about graduates of the Houston Independent School District (HISD), attached is the Graduate Report for 2009–2010 and 2010–2011. The report includes graduates by type of diploma and ethnicity for HISD and the State of Texas.

The report tables show the percentages of students graduating with the different diplomas and the percentages of graduates based on the fall 12th grade enrollment for each year. This is a different rate calculation than the four-year longitudinal graduation rate following ninth graders for four years. Bar graphs are provided to compare the district and state graduation percentages for the last two years.

Should you have any further questions or require any further information, please contact me or Carla Stevens, Department of Research and Accountability.



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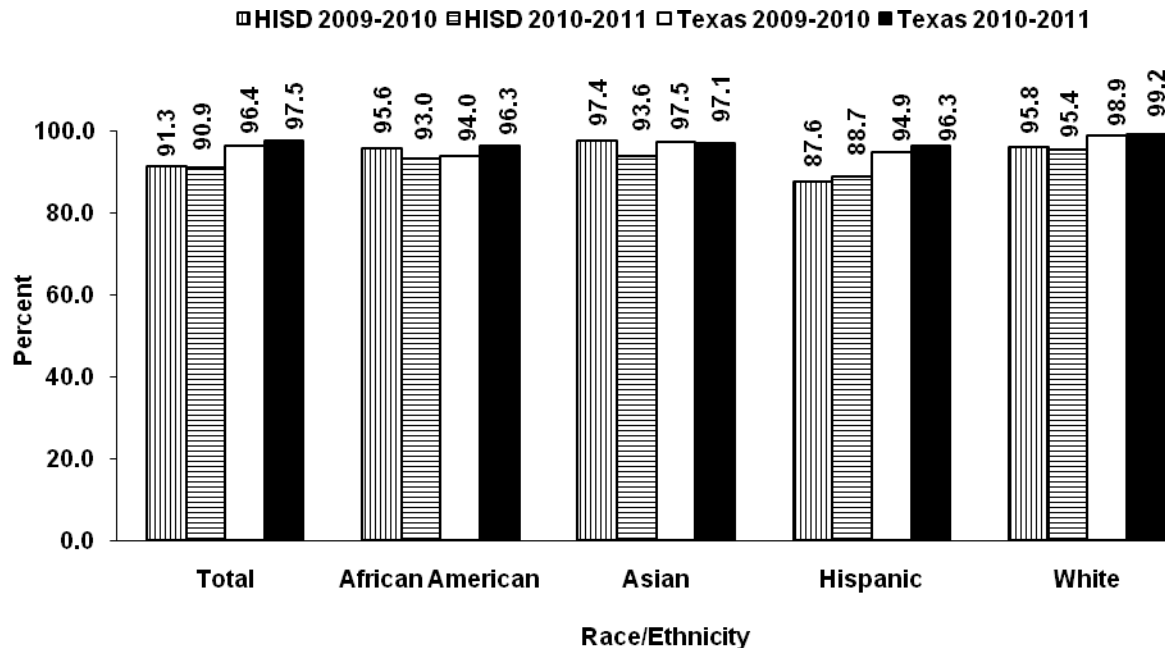
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HISD and Texas Percentage of Seniors Graduating by Race/Ethnicity, 2009–2010 and 2010–2011

This chart presents the percentages of seniors graduating by race/ethnicity. Percentages were calculated by dividing the number of graduates within a subgroup by the number of 12th grade students in the same subgroup. The number of 12th grade students was based on the PEIMS fall enrollment. Data were taken from the “Houston Independent School District and Texas Total Graduates by Type of Diploma and Ethnicity, 2009–2010 and 2010–2011” table found on page 4 of this report.



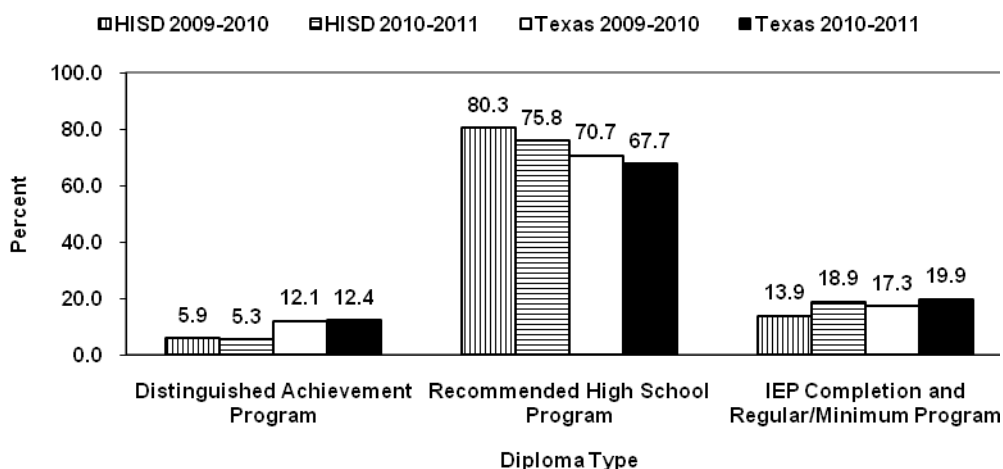
Note: Percentages based on fall 12th grade enrollment and graduation status.

Sources: PEIMS Edit+ Reports Data Review: Graduates by Gender, Ethnicity and Graduation Type, 2010–2011 and 2011–2012 Fall Collection, Resubmission.
PEIMS Standard Reports, Texas Education Agency.

- There was an increase in the percentage of Hispanic seniors graduating from 2009–2010 to 2010–2011. HISD showed decreases in the total percentage of seniors graduating and the percentages of African American, Asian, and White seniors graduating. The state experienced increases in the percentage of African American, Hispanic, and White students graduating and a slight decrease in the percentage of Asian graduates.
- In 2009–2010, the percentages of HISD seniors graduating ranged from 97.4 percent for Asian students to 87.6 percent for Hispanic students. Texas percentages ranged from 98.9 percent for White students to 94.0 percent for African American students. In 2010–2011, the percentages of HISD seniors graduating ranged from 95.4 percent for White students to 88.7 percent for Hispanic students. Texas percentages ranged from 99.2 percent for White students to 96.3 percent for both African American and Hispanic students.

HISD and Texas Diplomas by Type and Year

The percentages of diplomas by type in this chart were calculated on the basis of all graduates. Data were taken from the “Houston Independent School District and Texas Total Graduates by Type of Diploma and Ethnicity, 2009–2010 and 2010–2011” table found on page 4 of this report.

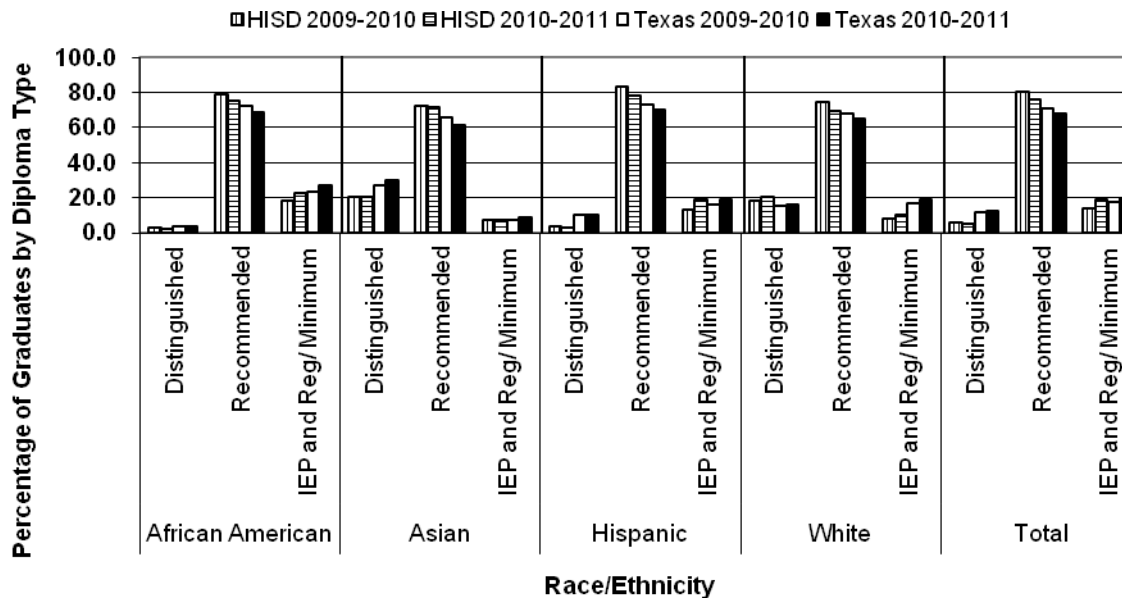


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- The largest percentage of HISD and Texas graduates received Recommended High School Program diplomas, followed by the IEP and Regular/Minimum Graduation, and the Distinguished Achievement Program diplomas in 2009–2010 and 2010–2011.
- The percentage of Texas graduates receiving Distinguished Achievement Program diplomas exceeded HISD by 6.2 percentage points in 2009–2010 and 7.1 percentage points in 2010–2011. However, the percentage of HISD graduates earning either the Distinguished Achievement Program or the Recommended High School Program diploma exceeded the state by 3.4 percentage points in 2009–2010 and by 1.0 percentage point in 2010–2011.
- The percentage of HISD graduates receiving Distinguished Achievement Program diplomas decreased by 0.6 percentage point from 2009–2010 to 2010–2011 and the percentage of Texas graduates receiving Distinguished Achievement Program diplomas increased by 0.3 percentage point.
- The percentage of HISD graduates receiving Recommended High School Program diplomas decreased by 4.5 percentage points from 2009–2010 to 2010–2011, while the percentage of Texas graduates decreased 3.0 percentage points since the previous year. The percentage of HISD graduates earning IEP Completion and Regular/Minimum Program diplomas increased by 5.0 percentage points from 2009–2010 to 2010–2011, and the percentage of Texas graduates increased by 2.6 percentage points.

HISD and Texas Graduates by Type of Diploma and Race/Ethnicity, 2009–2010 and 2010–2011

The percentages of diplomas by type and race/ethnicity are presented in this chart. Together, the percentages of the three types of diplomas total 100 percent of the graduating students in a subgroup. Data were taken from the “Houston Independent School District and Texas Total Graduates by Type of Diploma and Ethnicity, 2009–2010 and 2010–2011” table found on page 4 of this report.



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- Across all subgroups, the highest percentage of students earned the Recommended High School Program diploma over the other types of diplomas offered for HISD and Texas. In HISD, Hispanic students experienced the highest rate earning this diploma type in 2009–2010 and 2010–2011 (83.2 and 78.0 percent respectively). These rates exceeded the statewide levels during the same two periods for Hispanic students (73.1 percent for 2009–2010 and 70.1 percent for 2010–2011). From 2009–2010 to 2010–2011, the percentage of HISD Hispanic students receiving Recommended High School program diplomas decreased 5.2 percentage points while the remaining student groups experienced declines of 0.4–5.1 percentage points. Over this same period of time, the percentage of Texas students receiving this diploma type also decreased for all ethnic groups.
- From 2009–2010 to 2010–2011, the percentage of HISD students receiving Distinguished Achievement Program diplomas increased for Asian and White students. At the state level, increases were observed for African American, Asian, and White students. The largest increase in HISD, 2.3 percentage points, occurred among White students compared to the state’s largest increase of 2.8 percentage points among Asian students.
- The subgroup with the largest percentage of HISD and Texas graduates receiving an IEP Completion or Regular/Minimum Graduation diploma was the African American student group for both 2009–2010 (18.6 and 23.6 percent, respectively) and 2010–2011 (22.5 and 27.1 percent, respectively).

Houston Independent School District and Texas Total Graduates by Type of Diploma and Ethnicity, 2009–2010 and 2010–2011

		Ethnicity							
HISD	Type of Diploma		African American	Asian/Pac.Isl.	Hispanic	American Ind/Alaskan Native	White	Two or More	Total
	Distinguished Achievement	Count	74	88	150	<5	207	8	529
		%	2.4	20.7	2.8		20.4	0.0	5.3
	Recommended High School Pgm	Count	2,332	306	4,158	15	700	34	7,545
		%	75.1	71.8	78.0	68.2	69.1	60.7	75.8
2010-2011	Completion of Indiv Educ Plan and Regular/ Minimum	Count	699	32	1,025	5	106	14	1,881
		%	22.5	7.5	19.2	22.7	10.5	25.0	18.9
	HISD Total Graduates	Count	3,105	426	5,333	22	1,013	56	9,955
	12th Grade Fall Enrollment	Count	3,338	455	6,015	26	1,062	56	10,952
	%	93.0	93.6	88.7	84.6	95.4	100.0	90.9	
2009-2010	Distinguished Achievement	Count	72	86	184	<5	182	10	535
		%	2.6	20.6	3.8		18.1	-	5.9
	Recommended High School Pgm	Count	2,198	302	4,007	25	746	42	7,320
		%	78.9	72.2	83.2	92.6	74.2	-	80.3
	Completion of Indiv Educ Plan and Regular/ Minimum	Count	517	30	628	<5	77	10	1,263
		%	18.6	7.2	13.0		7.7	-	13.9
	HISD Total Graduates	Count	2,787	418	4,819	27	1,005	62	9,118
	12th Grade Fall Enrollment	Count	2,915	429	5,501	34	1,049	61	9,989
	%	95.6	97.4	87.6	79.4	95.8	101.6	91.3	
Texas									
	Distinguished Achievement	Count	1,559	3,264	13,427	134	16,973	591	35,948
		%	4.0	30.0	10.5	9.4	15.8	14.1	12.4
	Recommended High School Pgm	Count	26,688	6,691	89,545	962	70,168	2,807	196,861
		%	68.9	61.5	70.1	67.3	65.2	67.2	67.7
2010-2011	Completion of Indiv Educ Plan and Regular/ Minimum	Count	10,508	919	24,774	334	20,456	781	57,772
		%	27.1	8.5	19.4	23.4	19.0	18.7	19.9
	Texas Total Graduates	Count	38,755	10,874	127,746	1,430	107,597	4,179	290,581
	12th Grade Fall Enrollment	Count	40,236	11,200	132,586	1,467	108,477	4,162	298,128
	%	96.3	97.1	96.3	97.5	99.2	100.4	97.5	
2009-2010	Distinguished Achievement	Count	1,410	2,806	12,512	105	16,537	527	33,897
		%	3.8	27.2	10.5	7.2	15.2	-	12.1
	Recommended High School Pgm	Count	26,840	6,784	87,309	1,014	73,588	2,697	198,232
		%	72.6	65.7	73.1	69.8	67.8	-	70.7
	Completion of Indiv Educ Plan and Regular/ Minimum	Count	8,738	740	19,544	333	18,452	584	48,391
		%	23.6	7.2	16.4	22.9	17.0	-	17.3
	Texas Total Graduates	Count	36,988	10,330	119,365	1,452	108,577	3,808	280,520
	12th Grade Fall Enrollment	Count	39,357	10,599	125,814	1,526	109,745	3,841	290,882
	%	94.0	97.5	94.9	95.2	98.9	99.1	96.4	

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HISD Graduates by School and Type of Diploma, 2010–2011

School	Distinguished Achievement Program		Recommended High School Program		IEP Completion and Regular/Minimum Program		All Diploma Types
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Advanced Virtual Academy	0	0.0	7	26.9	19	73.1	26
Austin HS	0	0.0	356	91.8	32	8.2	388
Bellaire HS	122	17.1	434	61.0	156	21.9	712
Carnegie Vanguard HS	21	26.3	58	72.5	1	1.3	80
Challenge HS	56	64.4	30	34.5	1	1.1	87
Chavez HS	3	0.5	496	87.9	65	11.5	564
CLC HS	0	0.0	49	53.3	43	46.7	92
Community Services	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1
Davis HS	0	0.0	287	76.9	86	23.1	373
DeBakey HS	34	16.2	175	83.3	1	0.5	210
East Early College HS	18	16.4	85	77.3	7	6.4	110
Eastwood Academy	0	0.0	65	100.0	0	0.0	65
Empowerment College Prep HS	4	44.4	5	55.6	0	0.0	9
Furr HS	0	0.0	125	67.6	60	32.4	185
Harper	0	0.0	0	0.0	8	100.0	8
HCC Life Skills	0	0.0	0	0.0	18	100.0	18
Hope Academy	0	0.0	25	75.8	8	24.2	33
Houston Academy for Int'l Studies	29	37.7	48	62.3	0	0.0	77
Houston Math/Sci./Tech. Center	0	0.0	342	76.3	106	23.7	448
HS Bus & Eco Success	0	0.0	1	25.0	3	75.0	4
HSLECJ	5	4.2	106	88.3	9	7.5	120
HSPVA	0	0.0	152	99.3	1	0.7	153
International HS at Sharpstown	1	2.1	45	95.7	1	2.1	47
Jones HS	0	0.0	83	64.8	45	35.2	128
Jordan HS	16	5.7	215	76.2	51	18.1	282
Kashmere HS	0	0.0	68	63.0	40	37.0	108
Lamar HS	154	20.7	560	75.4	29	3.9	743
Leader's Academy HS	0	0.0	58	98.3	1	1.7	59
Lee HS	0	0.0	257	83.7	50	16.3	307
Liberty HS	0	0.0	31	100.0	0	0.0	31
Madison HS	0	0.0	436	88.3	58	11.7	494
Milby HS	5	1.0	379	78.0	102	21.0	486
Mount Carmel Academy	4	7.7	38	73.1	10	19.2	52
New Aspirations HS	0	0.0	32	54.2	27	45.8	59
REACH HS	0	0.0	1	1.4	72	98.6	73
Reagan HS	0	0.0	265	70.1	113	29.9	378
Rogers, T. H. MS	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	100.0	9
Scarborough HS	0	0.0	101	71.1	41	28.9	142
Sharpstown HS	0	0.0	170	85.0	30	15.0	200
Soar Center	0	0.0	0	0.0	8	100.0	8
Sterling HS	0	0.0	170	70.5	71	29.5	241

HISD Graduates by School and Type of Diploma, 2010–2011 (continued)

School	Distinguished Achievement Program		Recommended High School Program		IEP Completion and Regular/Minimum Program		All Diploma Types
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Waltrip HS	2	0.5	317	82.1	67	17.4	386
Washington HS	5	3.1	118	72.8	39	24.1	162
Westbury HS	0	0.0	300	75.2	99	24.8	399
Westside HS	42	6.3	478	71.9	145	21.8	665
Wheatley HS	0	0.0	144	74.6	49	25.4	193
Worthing HS	3	1.3	174	72.5	63	26.3	240
Yates HS	5	1.7	259	86.3	36	12.0	300
Totals	529	5.3	7,545	75.8	1,881	18.9	9,955

Source: PEIMS Graduate File 2011-2012 Fall Collection, Resubmission