## 2019-20 School Profile

W.H. GASTON MIDDLE SCHOOL (TEA 48)

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Middle school with grades 6-8 in the ADAMS, B feeder pattern.
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| Student Group Enrollment |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | \% of School |
| At Risk | 717 | $75.9 \%$ |
| EL | 532 | $56.3 \%$ |
| Low SES | 882 | $93.3 \%$ |
| SPED | 102 | $10.8 \%$ |
| TAG | 115 | $12.2 \%$ |


| Attendance / Retention |  | 2016-17 |  | 017-18 |  | 8-19 |
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| Students | Average student attendance rate | 96.2\% | $\rightarrow$ | 96.2\% | $\downarrow$ | 6.0\% |
|  | Percentage absent fewer than $10 \%$ of days enrolle | 91.0\% | $\uparrow$ | 91.2\% | $\downarrow$ | 89.6\% |
| Teachers | Average number of absences | 6.6 | $\downarrow$ |  | $\uparrow$ |  |
|  | Percentage returned to campus from prior year | 68.2\% | $\uparrow$ | 73.0\% |  |  |


| Disciplinary Actions | $\mathbf{1 6 - 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 - 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 - 1 9}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| In-School Suspension | 162 | 110 | 67 |
| Out-of-School Suspension | 132 | 115 | 230 |
| Alternative Placement | 46 | 15 | 46 |
| Expulsion | 1 | 1 | 1 |



Distinctions Achievement in ELA/reading; Top $25 \%$ in academic growth

*Rank out of 63 secondary, 148 elementary, or 17 magnet schools



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Middle School Metric and Term Definitions

## Attendance

| Student attendance rate | Average of students' attendance rates (number of days in attendance out of number of days enrolled). The target for middle <br> schools is 96\%. |
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| Students absent fewer than <br> $10 \%$ of days enrolled | An indicator of how many students are in regular attendance. Percentage of students with fewer than 10\% absences (excused or <br> unexcused) is based on a snapshot taken at the end of the fifth six-week grading period. |

## Enrollment

Number enrolled by grade ( N ) Average daily enrollment at the campus during the school year.
Percentage enrolled by grade Grade-level percentage of total school enrollment.
(\% Sch)
Percentage in grade by Percentage of students within grade level identified as African American, Hispanic, white, or other. Identification in a category race/ethnicity (\% of Grade)
Percentage enrolled by student group provided by parents/guardians at registration. Students identified as Hispanic are not counted elsewhere.
Counts taken at the end of fifth six-week grading period based on data in student information system. Students may be classified in more than one or no student groups.

## Teachers

Teacher absences
Teachers returning to campus
Average number of days not at campus, such as for illness or personal business. Counts do not include vacation days or leave. Percentage of teachers from previous school year who continued at the school. The number of teachers who were at the school in both current and previous years is divided by the number of teachers in the previous year. Teachers from the prior year are not included in the statistic if they changed to non-teaching positions within the district.
Discipline
Frequency of disciplinary Disciplinary actions reported to TEA in PEIMS summer submission. Reporting codes by action are in-school suspensions: 6, 26; outactions of-school suspensions: 5, 25; alternative placement: 7; explusion: 2, 4.

## Accountability Rating System for Texas Public Schools

Schools receive scaled scores in four domains (Student Achievement, Student Progress: Academic Growth, Student Progress: Relative Performance, and Closing the Gaps) and a single scaled score across the three domains from the TEA. Dallas ISD opted into the state's Local Accountability System, which adds domains to Dallas ISD schools' accountability ratings. The additional local domains are Academics (measured by the school's prior-year SEI), Culture and Climate (measured with the staff climate survey and parent/guardian survey), and Student Engagement (measured by a confidential student experience survey and extracurricular participation). As with state domains, each local domain receives a scaled score, and there is a single scaled score across the three local domains. Scaled scores range to 100 . The state scaled score and local scaled score are averaged to compute the school's overall accountability score and grade. Based on the state domains only, schools can earn distinctions from the TEA for student achievement in math, reading, science, and social studies; top 25\% (among comparable schools) in student progress; top $25 \%$ in closing performance gaps; and postsecondary readiness.

## School Effectiveness Index

SEI
A measure of performance on assessments that is relative to other Dallas ISD schools. The SEI isolates a school's effect on student outcomes by controlling for differences the school cannot control, such as socio-economic status, neighborhood characteristics, and prior-year academic levels. A large change in one year, whether up or down, will typically be followed by a move in the opposite direction. This is expected based on the statistical model used for SEI; it is an example of the concept of "regression to the mean."

Campus Climate Survey
Percentage positive responses Surveys conducted November and May. Positive responses include Agree and Strongly Agree. Other responses included Disagree, Strongly Disagree, and Neutral. Campuses with multiple TEA numbers have results only for the campus as a whole; results are repeated on each profile.

## Parent Survey

Percentage positive responses
Survey conducted in spring. Positive responses include Agree and Strongly Agree. Other responses included Disagree, Strongly Disagree, and Neutral. Campuses with multiple TEA numbers have results only for the campus as a whole; results are repeated on each profile.

## State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness (STAAR)

Percentage meeting grade level standard

Percentage mastering grade level standard

Percentage of all tests with scores meeting grade level standard. Statistics include results from all STAAR test types. School's statistics based on results from students in the accountability subset. District statistics are based on grade levels at the campus. State statistics not available for isolated grades, such as Grade 8 Algebra I. Students meeting grade level standard have a high likelihood of success in the next grade or course but may stil need some short-term, targeted acadmic intervention.
Percentage of all tests with scores demonstrating mastery of grade level standard. Scores are a subset of scores that "meet grade level standard". Students mastering grade level standard are expected to succeed in the next grade or course with little or no academic intervention.

