

Districtwide Improvement Committee Minutes

February 22, 2005

Rita Polen presented the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) Report with the committee. She noted that each campus and the district were rated Recognized by the state for the 2003-2004 school year. Information on the results for the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS), the attendance rate, the dropout rate, and the Gold Performance Acknowledgements were also discussed. Polen shared information on the district and campuses' drug-free program and the fact that no weapons have been found on any campus at any time.

Ricki Brady shared information on the Special Education Program at Randolph Field ISD. She reviewed Public Law 94-142 of 1975 which gave schools direction for the first time on serving special education students. The law was renamed the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) in 1990 and has been reauthorized in 1997 and again in 2004. These laws identify the requirements for special education. RFISD has special education students in general education, in general education with modifications, and in general education with inclusion support. SE students are provided content mastery support as delineated in their Individual Education Plans. SE students are also placed in resource classes, in self-contained classes, vocational classes and extended day classes as outlined in their IEPs. Prevocational work experience is being provided for two high school students who work as volunteers at the Officers Club and the library with the supervision of a paraprofessional. At this time there are 68 (22 are speech only) students receiving special education services at the elementary, 21 at the middle school and 31 at the high school.

Bruce Cannon and Karen Bessette reviewed the Student Code of Conduct with the committee.

The committee discussed the staff development waiver for the 2005-2006 school year. Rita Polen noted that the teachers would develop a scope and sequence for their curriculum next year, and this waiver would provide time to accomplish this important task. The committee decided that the waiver was warranted.

Karen Bessette and Bruce Cannon shared information on school organization with the committee.

Next scheduled meeting: Tuesday, March 22, 2005
Randolph High School
Room 21
4:00 PM