



SCHOOLS TO WATCH

VISITOR'S GUIDE



Scoggins Middle School



Designated in 2017

Scoggins Middle School

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School Web site:

schools.friscoisd.org/ms/scoggins

2015-16 Statistics

(Sources: 2015-16 Texas School Report Card)

Community: Suburban District with 65 Campuses
Enrollment: 990
Grade Levels: 6-8
School Schedule: August - June

Student Demographics

- 16.8 % African American
- 15.6 % Hispanic
- 53.6 % White
- 0.6 % American Indian
- 10.2 % Asian
- 0.0 % Pacific Islander
- 3.1 % Two or More Races

- 15.0 % Economically Disadvantaged
- 2.8 % English Language Learners
- 11.5 % Special Education

Distinction Designations:

- Social Studies
- Top 25% Closing Performance Gaps

Academic Excellence Practices

- Professional Learning Community – adhering to PLC practices and Core Beliefs
- Common Conference periods for Collaborative Planning by grade level subject team
- Collaborative Planning documents and processes; Assessment Reflection documents and processes for teachers and students
- Lesson Target and Closing Task and Common Academic Vocabulary posted in each classroom
- Peer Observations, differentiated for veteran and rookie teachers
- Instructional Coach/Department Chairs provide ongoing coaching and reflection through Instructional walk-throughs
- Academic Counseling at Interim Progress Report and Report Card time
- BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) program for educational use
- Target Time every Tuesday and Thursday for intervention and enrichment – creative bell scheduling to provide 30 minutes a day
- Participation in District Technology Badge program to encourage the use of technology to enhance instruction
- STEAM Innovators Conference and STEAM Night with Vertical Elementary Schools
- Campus book studies: The Fundamental 5 (ongoing) and Yes, We Can! General and Special Educators Collaborating in a Professional Learning Community (2017)
- Seahawk Success Journals – student-driven data collection and goal-setting
- Academic Pentathlon Club
- “Aiming for the Stars” African-American Male Academic Bowl participation
- Math and Science Team and Future City Club
- 6th Grade Study Skills Class required for all 6th Grade students
- Opportunities to earn high school credit: Pre-AP Algebra I, Spanish I, Health
- Online Pre-AP Geometry offered for qualifying students
- Gifted/Talented ELAR program; Pre-AP course offerings in Science and Math

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Developmental Responsiveness

- C3 Teams (Connection, Care, Community) – gender-specific teams that meet once per week and participate in guidance curriculum, Whole Child lessons, team-building, and mentoring
- Rising Up Coaches – 8th grade mentors for 6th grade teams during C3 Team Time lessons and additional mentoring opportunities (tutoring for STAAR testing, etc.)
- Whole Child Committee – counselors, teachers, assistant principal – create C3 lessons and collect and analyze student, staff, and parent survey data
- SOAR (Support, Outreach, Achievement, Recreation) after-school program for identified at-risk 6th grade students
- Habitudes transition program for identified at-risk 8th grade students in second semester
- #Scoggins Strong Girls Summit and program – support for 8th grade girls
- Daily Team Time for grade-level interdisciplinary teams – collaboration time for student concerns, professional development (book study: Teaching with Love and Logic), Student Support Team/Response to Intervention Tier I and II
- Flexible Seating, Standing Desks, and “Fidget” tools available in many classrooms
- National Junior Honor Society and Student Council
- Board Game Club, Recycling Club, Book Club, Art Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Robotics, Digital Animation, Multi-media and Video Production, Yearbook and Broadcast classes offered
- Teen Leadership/Health and Skills for Living classes offered
- Active Fine Arts Program – Theatre, Choir, Orchestra, Art, Band, Jazz Band
- Active Athletics Program – Volleyball, Football, Basketball, Tennis, Track, Cross Country, Soccer, Cheer
- Annual all-school musicals and talent show

Social Equity

- Principal’s Advisory Committee (PAC) – monthly meetings with approximately 20 nominated students per grade level
- Partners in PE program for gen-ed students to mentor special needs students during PE
- Inclusion Classes for SPED students
- “Belong” New Student Breakfasts
- Neighborhood/Community Outreach through Back to School Nights in the neighborhood, and bus tours at beginning of year
- Advisory classes offered for 7th/8th grade students in need of additional organizational/study skills support
- Morning and afternoon tutorials offered each day
- Reading and Math Lab classes offered on A/B Day schedules to allow students room for electives
- Seahawk PRIDE – Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) Program
- PRIDE Student and Teacher winners per six weeks
- Seahawk Flag – Teacher/Colleague Recognition
- Soaring Seahawk Board and Happy Teacher Challenge (February) – Incentive and Shout-out opportunities for teachers; Shout-outs at Monthly Faculty Meetings and Seahawk PRIDE Teacher award each six weeks
- STAAR Tutorials with Intervention and Enrichment through both Target Time and after school

Organizational Support

- Friday Article and email – ongoing professional development
- Monthly Team Leader/Instructional Coach meetings with Principal and Assistant Principals
- Weekly Administrator/Counselor meetings
- New Teacher Brown Bag Lunch/Mentoring
- Monthly Departmental Meetings
- School Messenger emails/Twitter/Facebook for parents and community; Remind texting used by teachers
- Online surveys for staff and parents each spring
- “Expert Next Door” professional development at Faculty Meetings
- Grant partnerships with Frisco Education Foundation – “Grants for Great Ideas” – teacher winners
- Community partnership with Brookhaven Church
- Campus Improvement Team sub-committees, developed through achievement, demographic, and survey data

