

# Marlin Independent School District

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**IMPORTANT  
ACCREDITATION  
INFORMATION**

Marlin ISD Parents and Property Owners,

Subject: Assignment of Accreditation Status to the MARLIN ISD

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the 2013-2014 accreditation status of the MARLIN ISD is **Accredited-Warned**. Under state law, the accreditation statuses that may be assigned to districts include Accredited, Accredited-Warned, Accredited-Probation, and Not Accredited-Revoked. A status of **Accredited-Warned** means that a district exhibits deficiencies in performance that, if not addressed, will lead to probation or revocation of the district's accreditation status.

The MARLIN ISD has been assigned an **Accredited-Warned** status due to the ratings assigned to the district in the state's ACADEMIC ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM. Specifically, the MARLIN ISD was assigned A 2011-2012 AND 2013-2014 ACCREDITED WARNED STATUS AND A 2011-2012 AND 2013-2014 ACADEMIC ACCOUNTABILITY RATING OF ACADEMICALLY UNACCEPTABLE AND IMPROVEMENT REQUIRED.

The district is taking the following steps to address the areas of identified deficiency. MARLIN ISD HAS CREATED AND CONTINUES TO FOLLOW THE DISTRICT-WIDE PLAN THAT ADDRESSES STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, TARGETED INTERVENTIONS, CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL STAFF AND ONGOING ASSESSMENT OF SYSTEMATIC PROCESSES. Under law, if the current accreditation concerns for the district are not addressed, the district may be assigned an accreditation status of **Accredited-Probation** or **Not Accredited-Revoked**. A Not Accredited-Revoked status means that the TEA no longer recognizes the district as a Texas public school. Districts with an accreditation status below Accredited also may be subject to additional accreditation sanctions as referenced in statute and rule.

For more information regarding the assignment of accreditation statuses to school districts, you may access the TEA website at <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/accredstatus>. This website will provide you with background information as well as links to the Texas Education Code and current commissioner's rules related to accreditation.

If you have additional questions regarding the assignment of an **Accredited-Warned** status to the MARLIN ISD or if you would like additional information about the district's ongoing improvement efforts, please contact MICHAEL STECK, SUPERINTENDENT, AT 254-883-3585.

SINCERELY,

MICHAEL STECK  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
MARLIN ISD

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