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How are we going to fix the elementary school? I have been asked this a few times by concerned individuals. The elementary school, as well as the rest of Alpine ISD, is charged with ensuring our students are prepared for the future. While we know there are improvements to be made, we also know there are numerous wonderful things happening at Alpine ISD.

The elementary school is listed as Improvement Required in the new A-F Accountability System. The overall score for the campus was 58 out of 100 possible points. The areas of measurement for this score are derived from STAAR Assessments and include student achievement, academic growth from the previous year, and academic performance by sub groups of students. While we are not satisfied with the rating the elementary school received, we know that our students and the campus are more than the results of a standardized test that measures student success.

We will implement a systems based approach for overall improvement to target the deficits denoted in the rating. All the staff at Alpine Elementary is committed to overall improvement and have been working since day one towards fulfilling the huge charge presented to them. They believe in their students and know they will be successful. Our students are more than the letter grade the campus received and we will take this opportunity to improve and turn it into a success. Our parental support has been outstanding and greatly welcomed.

Within the A-F Accountability System, Alpine High School received an overall score of 90, which is an A. Additionally the campus received distinction designations in Academic Achievement in Mathematics, Academic Achievement in English Language Arts/Reading, Postsecondary Readiness, and Top 25% Comparative Closing the Gaps. Alpine Middle School received an overall score of 86, which is a B. The campus received distinction designations in Academic Achievement in Science, Academic Achievement in English Language Arts/Reading, Top 25% Comparative Academic Growth, and Top 25% Comparative Closing the Gaps. The district received an 87, which is a B. These are a few examples of the successes and great things happening at Alpine ISD.

As always, we will continue to prepare our students to be successful adults and we will always put our students first. Schools are for kids and their future is in our hands.

Go Bucks.
Becky McCutchen