Sharp Elementary

Campus overall 2017 CaSE Rating: Exemplary

BISD is rated overall Recognized for CaSE House Bill 5, Section 46; Texas Education Code Section 39.0545
Fine Arts Program rated Recognized

Sharp Elementary offers a variety of lessons and activities that promote the fine arts TEKS. The school offers opportunities for students to learn and participate in UIL Music and Art, choir, and drill team. Concerts are provided to students and parents throughout the year to showcase what they have learned. Additionally, our students participate in varied Fine Arts competitions at the campus, district, and state level.
Wellness Program rated Exemplary

In order to promote wellness and physical education programs, Sharp teachers and staff work together to get students actively involved in physical activities and health. This school year students and staff participated in community running races. Also, students were active in raising money and participating in Hoops for Heart and Jump Rope for Heart events. In addition, Sharp’s physical education staff organized volleyball and basketball camps free of charge to teach students the fundamentals of the game and providing them opportunities to play sports.

In promoting wellness, students and parents were provided presentations. Promotion of wellness continued by having campus staff participating in BISD Wellness checks. Lastly, each year Sharp participates in Red Ribbon Activities and the Breakfast in the Bag Program to further nurture our students’ healthy lifestyles. Sharp will continue to promote these activities with fidelity.

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Community and Parental Involvement

Sharp strives to create strong, collaborative relationships with parents and community members and organizations. From the first days of school, campus administration, teachers, and the parental involvement department work on establishing strong communication links and opportunities for parents and community members to be involved in the education of Sharp students. The majority of information parents receive during parent meetings discuss the academic programs at Sharp, state and local assessments, and strategies parents can use to help their children. In addition, community members are invited to speak to parents about issues such as parenting, safety, health, insurances, and assistance programs.

Sharp is always open to inviting members of the community to give presentations to our students on a variety of issues. Students gain expertise and exposure to knowledge outside of school and further enhance their education. Furthermore, Sharp encourages students to give back to their community by participating in events such as canned food drives and donating to the homeless in our community.

Community Member Donation, Parental Involvement Luncheon, and Cancer Awareness Meeting

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Sharp Scholars are College and Career Bound! 100% of students participated in College Awareness Days this school year. Students created college pennants and classrooms competed in college door contests. In addition, the campus celebrated college awareness by wearing college shirts each Thursday for the entire school year. The counselor organized a Career Day and Careers on Wheels. Sharp will continue to promote college awareness and career days.
Second Language Acquisition rated Exemplary

Sharp offers a strong and effective second language acquisition program for all ELLs. ELL students are provided many research-based instructional strategies and curriculum resources that focus on second language acquisition. Parents of ELLs are also supported by being provided information and resources on how to help their children acquire English through information pamphlets, parent meetings, and teacher conferences. Bilingualism and Cultures are embraced and celebrated at Sharp Elementary.

- Traditional Jack-o-Lanterns, ELL strategies, Future Careers, and Traditional Tamalada
Digital Learning Environment rated Exemplary

Sharp Elementary strongly believes technology improves student performance when the applications directly support the curriculum objectives and goals being assessed. Our teachers and students continue moving towards teaching and learning using a variety of technology supports alongside learning all of the vocabulary and concepts as required by the Technology TEKS.

In addition, Sharp continues to train teachers and students on the latest software programs and online websites our district provides. Sharp is moving towards further enhancing our digital teachers and digital learners.

Teacher Training: Wireless Eggsperts, Class Dojo, Writing Strategies using Technology and Upper Grade Students helping Lower Grade Students with Technology
The Dean of Instruction, Librarian, and Teachers encourage literacy, hands-on activities and technology.

**Dropout Preventions Strategies rated Exemplary**

Sharp elementary provides At-Risk students a rigorous and challenging education program. Both teachers and administrators meet consistently to view and discuss students’ progress and performance. Furthermore, At-Risk students’ achievement scores are reviewed and broken down to identify strengths and weaknesses. Teachers and administrators then discuss and plan the type of instruction students will receive to include effective research-based instructional strategies that will allow students to master the TEKS at higher levels of complexity and at higher levels of depth and knowledge. If needed, interventions are noted through a Response to Intervention (RTI) plan.

Additionally, these students are provided instructional support before, during, and after school. Summer time programs are also available for students as well. Sharp is committed to ensuring the academic success of all At-Risk students.
Educational Programs for G/T rated Exemplary

The Gifted and Talented Program at Sharp offers numerous opportunities that challenge GT students to develop academically, artistically, socially, and emotionally. All classroom teachers are GT trained and continue their GT professional development each school year. GT students are very involved in Chess, DI, Science Fair, and UIL organizations.

D.I. Competitors and Science Fair