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Houston-area schools serving low-income students well, 2012–2025

Five views of the same analysis. Each ranks the top ten schools at every level by how many years the campus was both performing at or above its level's grade bar and serving a student body at least 75% economically disadvantaged. The views differ only in which school types are allowed in.

View	Allowed alongside neighborhood campuses	Elementary	Middle	High
All school types included	Early college, Magnet, Charter	64 of 365	63 of 114	16 of 41
Early college included	Early college	45 of 306	30 of 64	7 of 22
Magnet included	Magnet	57 of 344	44 of 92	8 of 29
Charter included	Charter	52 of 327	49 of 86	9 of 18
Neighborhood campuses only	nothing — neighborhood campuses only	45 of 306	30 of 64	3 of 12

Figures are campuses that qualified, out of those eligible.

How to read these lists. A year counts when the school was both at or above its grade bar — A– or better for elementary, B– or better for middle and high school — and at least 75% economically disadvantaged. Schools are ordered by how many such years they have, with average statewide percentile breaking ties. Early college, magnet and charter status come from the 2024-25 campus file the 2025 rankings were built on; that file's charter flag matches TEA's on all 8,352 campuses in both. Seven Houston campuses are both early college and magnet, so they appear in both of those views. Statewide percentile is reported but is not a condition. The 2012 edition issued ranks but no letter grades, so no school can earn a qualifying year for 2012.

Elementary schools

A qualifying year means the campus was graded A– or better and was at least 75% economically disadvantaged. To be eligible at all it had to be ranked in at least 8 of 12 years and low-income in at least 60% of them. The five views below apply that same test to different sets of schools.

All school types included

64 of 365 eligible campuses qualified.

	School	District	Type	Qualifying years	Avg percentile	Years in top 20%	Econ. disadv.	Years ranked
1	**Park Place Elementary**	Houston ISD	—	**7 of 11**	84	8 of 12	93%	12 (2012-2025)
2	**Lyons Elementary**	Houston ISD	—	**6 of 11**	82	7 of 12	94%	12 (2012-2025)
3	**Field Elementary**	Houston ISD	—	**6 of 11**	82	9 of 12	77%	12 (2012-2025)
4	**De Chaumes Elementary**	Houston ISD	—	**6 of 11**	80	8 of 12	96%	12 (2012-2025)
5	**De Zavala Elementary**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**5 of 11**	83	9 of 12	91%	12 (2012-2025)
6	**Taylor Ray Elementary**	Lamar CISD	—	**5 of 11**	78	8 of 12	86%	12 (2012-2025)
7	**Windsor Village Elementary**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**4 of 11**	83	6 of 12	90%	12 (2012-2025)
8	**Burbank Elementary**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**4 of 11**	80	9 of 12	95%	12 (2012-2025)
9	**Amigos Por Vida-Friends for Life Charter School**	Amigos Por Vida-Friends for Life Pub Chtr Sch	Charter	**4 of 10**	75	5 of 10	98%	10 (2013-2025)
10	**Carrillo Elementary**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**4 of 11**	74	6 of 12	87%	12 (2012-2025)

Neighborhood campuses only

45 of 306 eligible campuses qualified.

	School	District	Type	Qualifying years	Avg percentile	Years in top 20%	Econ. disadv.	Years ranked
1	**Park Place Elementary**	Houston ISD	—	**7 of 11**	84	8 of 12	93%	12 (2012-2025)
2	**Lyons Elementary**	Houston ISD	—	**6 of 11**	82	7 of 12	94%	12 (2012-2025)
3	**Field Elementary**	Houston ISD	—	**6 of 11**	82	9 of 12	77%	12 (2012-2025)

Middle schools

A qualifying year means the campus was graded B– or better and was at least 75% economically disadvantaged. To be eligible at all it had to be ranked in at least 8 of 12 years and low-income in at least 60% of them. The five views below apply that same test to different sets of schools.

All school types included

63 of 114 eligible campuses qualified.

	School	District	Type	Qualifying years	Avg percentile	Years in top 20%	Econ. disadv.	Years ranked
1	**YES Prep - Southwest**	YES Prep Public Schools Inc	Charter	**10 of 11**	86	11 of 12	86%	12 (2012-2025)
2	**Burbank Middle**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**10 of 11**	81	9 of 12	95%	12 (2012-2025)
3	**Project Chrysalis Middle**	Houston ISD	Application	**9 of 11**	98	12 of 12	84%	12 (2012-2025)
4	**YES Prep - North Central**	YES Prep Public Schools Inc	Charter	**9 of 11**	80	8 of 12	81%	12 (2012-2025)
5	**Hamilton Middle**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**9 of 11**	71	3 of 12	82%	12 (2012-2025)
6	**Sharpstown International School**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**8 of 11**	82	8 of 11	92%	11 (2013-2025)
7	**Pilgrim Academy** *not in the 2025 rankings*	Houston ISD	—	**8 of 10**	75	4 of 11	96%	11 (2012-2024)
8	**Stevenson Middle**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**8 of 11**	71	6 of 12	91%	12 (2012-2025)
9	**Harmony School of Innovation - Houston**	Harmony Public Schools - Houston South	Charter	**7 of 11**	91	11 of 11	79%	11 (2013-2025)
10	**Amigos Por Vida-Friends for Life Charter School** *not in the 2025 rankings*	Amigos Por Vida-Friends for Life Pub Chtr Sch	Charter	**7 of 8**	77	5 of 9	98%	9 (2012-2023)

Neighborhood campuses only

30 of 64 eligible campuses qualified.

	School	District	Type	Qualifying years	Avg percentile	Years in top 20%	Econ. disadv.	Years ranked
1	**Pilgrim Academy** *not in the 2025 rankings*	Houston ISD	—	**8 of 10**	75	4 of 11	96%	11 (2012-2024)
2	**North Shore Middle**	Galena Park ISD	—	**6 of 11**	58	0 of 12	81%	12 (2012-2025)
3	**Southmore Intermediate**	Pasadena ISD	—	**5 of 11**	58	2 of 12	90%	12 (2012-2025)
4	**O'donnell Middle**	Alief ISD	—	**5 of 11**	53	0 of 12	84%	12 (2012-2025)

High schools

A qualifying year means the campus was graded B– or better and was at least 75% economically disadvantaged. To be eligible at all it had to be ranked in at least 8 of 12 years and low-income in at least 60% of them. The five views below apply that same test to different sets of schools.

All school types included

16 of 41 eligible campuses qualified.

	School	District	Type	Qualifying years	Avg percentile	Years in top 20%	Econ. disadv.	Years ranked
1	**East Early College High School**	Houston ISD	ECHS, Magnet	**11 of 11**	97	12 of 12	84%	12 (2012-2025)
2	**YES Prep - North Central**	YES Prep Public Schools Inc	Charter	**10 of 11**	93	11 of 12	81%	12 (2012-2025)
3	**North Houston Early College High School**	Houston ISD	ECHS, Magnet	**9 of 9**	97	9 of 9	90%	9 (2015-2025)
4	**Alief Early College High School**	Alief ISD	ECHS	**9 of 9**	96	9 of 9	81%	9 (2015-2025)
5	**Victory Early College High School**	Aldine ISD	ECHS	**8 of 9**	89	9 of 9	82%	9 (2015-2025)
6	**Eastwood Academy**	Houston ISD	Application	**7 of 11**	97	12 of 12	80%	12 (2012-2025)
7	**YES Prep - East End**	YES Prep Public Schools Inc	Charter	**7 of 9**	82	7 of 9	80%	9 (2015-2025)
8	**High School for Law and Justice**	Houston ISD	Magnet	**7 of 9**	82	6 of 10	80%	10 (2012-2025)
9	**Early College T-Stem Academy**	Raul Yzaguirre Schools for Success	Charter	**7 of 10**	62	1 of 11	95%	11 (2012-2025)
10	**YES Prep - Southwest**	YES Prep Public Schools Inc	Charter	**6 of 9**	87	7 of 9	87%	9 (2015-2025)

Neighborhood campuses only (Both schools are not good, only 1 A/B year out of 11 ranked years)

3 of 12 eligible campuses qualified.

	School	District	Type	Qualifying years	Avg percentile	Years in top 20%	Econ. disadv.	Years ranked
1	**Galena Park High School**	Galena Park ISD	—	**1 of 11**	39	0 of 12	82%	12 (2012-2025)
2	**Sharpstown High School**	Houston ISD	—	**1 of 11**	21	0 of 12	91%	12 (2012-2025)