

## NAZARETH ISD

### MISSION STATEMENT:

*We, the staff, students, and parents of Nazareth Independent School District believe that all students can and will learn. We have a climate of high expectations. We believe that our school provides quality and equity in instruction in an atmosphere that is conducive to learning. We feel that our mission of educating students is best accomplished when home and school work together. We are dedicated to educating our children to be productive, respectful, and patriotic citizens in a changing future.*

### EDUCATION OBJECTIVES:

- *Open communication will be encouraged between parents and faculty to promote a full partnership in the education of students.*
- *Maintain safe, disciplined, and equitable environment conducive to student learning.*
- *Students will be encouraged and challenged to meet their full educational potential. Each student's needs will be met by the provision of a well-balanced curriculum.*
- *Technology will continue to be implemented and used to increase the effectiveness of students learning, instructional management, staff development, and administration.*
- *Maintain qualified and effective personnel. Educators will keep abreast of the development of creative and innovative techniques in instruction and administration; the techniques will be used, as appropriate, to improve student learning.*

### EDUCATION GOALS:

- *Challenge each individual student to attain his/her highest potential.*
- *Facilitate and promote the development of respectful, productive, and patriotic citizens of our community, state, and nation.*
- *Strive for academic excellence and meet the standards set forth by the state.*
- *Prepare our students to be able to adapt and achieve now and in the everchanging future.*



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## Nazareth ISD Awards Brochure

**S**uccess

**W**ith

**I**ntegrity

**F**aith

**T**radition

**S**trength

*“Home of  
Champions”*

**Nazareth ISD is One of Eight  
“Exceptional” School Districts**

Texas Commissioner of Education Robert Scott has designated the NISD as one of only eight Texas School Districts as “exceptional” for the 2008-2009 school year. According to the award letter for a district to achieve this extremely prestigious designation a school district had to have met or exceeded a Completion Rate I of 95%, and have achieved a rate of 70% or greater on the agency’s “College Ready Graduates” indicator, which measures the percentage of graduates who have earned a score at or above the criterion score on both the ELA and Mathematics sections on the TAKS, SAT, or ACT tests.



**U.S. News “America’s Best High Schools”**

Nazareth High School has been identified as a “Bronze School” for the State of Texas according to the *U.S. News* Media Group in their annual survey of America’s Best High Schools. The group analyzed 21,069 public schools from every state and based the survey on what they feel are the key principles that a high school must do to serve their students well. The group wanted to produce measurable academic outcomes to show that the school is successfully educating its student body across a range of performance indicators, and not just students that are bound for college. Nazareth High School was recognized because its performance levels exceed statistical expectations as measured by our state’s accountability test scores (TAKS) along with achieving proficiency rates on the state’s tests for the least advantaged student groups. The following is the breakdown of how many schools were recognized by the U.S. News Media Group nationwide and statewide:

	<u>Texas</u>	<u>Nation</u>
<b>High Schools Analyzed</b>	1,942	21,069
<b>Gold</b>	10	100
<b>Silver</b>	22	504
<b>Bronze</b>	119	1,321
<b>Honorable Mention</b>	3	17
<b>Total Schools Receiving Awards</b>	154	1,942

**Nazareth ISD Excels on TAKS  
Test**

On the 2007-2008 (AEIS) Academic Excellence Indicator System Report Nazareth received an accountability rating of “Recognized.” From this report the state ranks the various districts using 12 Gold Star Performance Acknowledgements. Nazareth ISD is also proud to report that the district received 10 of the 12 Acknowledgements. The following is a list of the Gold Star Performance Acknowledgements that NISD has been recognized for:

- Attendance (2006-2007)
- Advanced Academic Courses (2006-2007)
- College Admissions (Class 2007)
- Recommended High School Program (Class 2007)
- Texas Success Initiative (TSI) ELA
- Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Mathematics
- Commended on Reading/ELA
- Commended on Writing
- Commended on Science
- Commended on Social Studies