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Rankings: Ysleta ISD has top-ranked schools across West Texas

The Ysleta Independent School District has the No. 1 elementary school, No. 1 middle school, and the No. 3 high school in West Texas, according to annual rankings released Thursday by the nonprofit research and advocacy group Children At Risk (C@R), which aims to help parents across the state better understand how their local schools are performing.

Among the newly released **2023 Greater West Texas Elementary School Rankings**, Vista Hills Elementary School landed in the No. 1 spot with an overall grade of A-, while six other Ysleta ISD campuses dominated the Top 10-ranked schools in West Texas. They are:

- No. 3 Glen Cove ES (“A” grade)
- No. 4 Tierra Del Sol ES (B+)
- No. 5 North Star ES (B+)
- No. 8 Eastwood Heights ES (B+)
- No. 6 Alicia R. Chacon International (B+)
- No. 9 Edgemere International (B+)

The group’s **2023 Greater West Texas Middle School Rankings** showed YWLA capturing the No. 1 spot with an overall grade of A, followed by the K-8 Alicia R. Chacon International School in the No. 2 spot with a grade of A-; and the No. 6 Eastwood Knolls International School with a grade of B+.

In addition, Ysleta ISD’s Valle Verde Early College High School came in at No. 3 on this year’s **Greater West Texas High School Rankings**. Other Ysleta ISD high schools that ranked in the Top 20 in West Texas were Hanks High School (No. 13) and Bel Air High School (No. 17).

The 2022-23 school year rankings analyzed 218 public schools in West Texas, including 127 elementary schools and 55 middle schools ranked across three main areas and 36 high schools ranked across four main areas in the following areas:

- **Student Achievement** – Student performance on state standardized tests
- **Campus Performance** – How a school compares in test scores to schools with similar levels of poverty
- **Growth** – How students improve on their STAAR tests in a school year
- **College Readiness** (high schools only) – How many students are graduating on time and participating in other college readiness activities

In addition, seven Ysleta ISD elementary schools – Glen Cove, Ramona, Sageland, Pebble Hills, Desertaire, Ysleta, Loma Terrace – were named Gold Ribbon schools, or high-performing and high-poverty traditional campuses that are more than 75 percent economically disadvantaged and received an A or B grade in the rankings.

For a complete list of the top West Texas schools, visit <https://childrenatrisk.org/school-rankings-2022-2023/>