

## FIVE JOHNSON COUNTY SCHOOLS MAKE ERP HONOR ROLL

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Five local schools were recognized recently when they were named to the Educational Results Partnership Honor Roll.

ERP is a nonprofit organization that applies data science to accelerate student success, and the Honor Roll recognizes top public schools, school districts and charter schools that have outperformed their peers in closing achievement gaps, particularly among higher-poverty and historically disadvantaged student populations.

"This year's Honor Roll shines a positive light on schools where students are learning the fundamental skills that employers value and look for," ERP Board Chair Dan Kinney said. "We are proud to recognize these higher performing schools and plan on learning about their best practices for accelerating student learning in the critical areas of reading, writing and math."

Those recognized included:
Mound Elementary School in Burleson ISD
Grandview High School
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Joshua High School Ninth Grade Campus
Nichols Middle School in Joshua ISD

By having two schools each recognized, both Grandview ISD and Joshua ISD were named to the Honor Roll.

The program is part of a national effort to engage business leaders in recognizing successful schools and educational systems and promote best practices that improve student outcomes. Honor Roll schools are recognized for demonstrating consistently higher levels of student achievement, improvement in achievement over time, and a reduction in achievement gaps among student populations.

"The Honor Roll is the only school recognition program in Texas based solely on objective student achievement data," said ERP's Chief Executive Officer James Lanich, Ph.D. "The goal of the Honor Roll program is to use data to find and highlight successful schools and encourage collaboration among educators on best practices for raising student achievement.

"ERP is all about improving educational equity and promoting career readiness for all students, regardless of family income, background or ZIP code. By shining a light on successful systems and practices, we hope to spark dialogue amongst educators to replicate best practices throughout the state."

This is the ninth year for the Honor Roll list, which is presented in collaboration with the Texas Business Leadership Council.

"Texas Business Leadership Council is proud to partner with ERP to recognize higher performing schools in our state that are preparing students with the skills needed to be successful in a globally competitive workforce," TBLC President Justin Yancy said.