

# 2009–2010 ASPIRE Awards for Teachers

## E. Special Education Core Foundation Teachers



### MAXIMUM ASPIRE AWARD \$6,600

The following awards are available to eligible Special Education core foundation teachers in grades 3–8 for whom no value-added report is produced or grades 9–12 where a teacher has fewer than seven TAKS or TAKS-accommodated students. **All others will be considered under their respective core teaching categories for the maximum amount under that category.**

STRAND I Campus Progress Award		MAXIMUM AWARD \$1,500	
Eligible staff are awarded where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students on the campus demonstrated gains and above-average academic progress, <b>AND</b></li> <li>Students' average academic progress ranked in Quartile 1 or 2 of their HISD comparison group.</li> </ul>	% Assigned to Campus	Quartile 1 (100–75%)	Quartile 2 (74–50%)
	100%	\$1,500	\$750
Campuses are grouped by HISD elementary, middle, or high schools for comparison.			

STRAND IIE Teacher Progress Award		MAXIMUM AWARD \$3,500	
Teachers are eligible if the students in grades 3–12 on their campus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrated gains and above-average academic progress in any core foundation subject, <b>AND</b></li> <li>Students' average academic progress ranked in Quartile 1 or 2 of HISD campuses at their academic level.</li> </ul>	Number of Core Foundation Subjects Taught	Quartile 1 (100–75%)	Quartile 2 (74–50%)
	One	\$3,500	\$1,750
	Two	\$1,750 each subject	\$875 each subject
	Three	\$1,167 each subject	\$584 each subject

STRAND IIIA Elementary and Middle School Campus Improvement Award		MAXIMUM AWARD \$1,000	
Eligible elementary and middle school staff are awarded where their campus earned a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TEA <i>Comparable Improvement</i> ranking in Quartile 1 or 2 of the 40 TEA-designated comparison schools for reading and/or math.</li> </ul>	Awarded Subjects	Quartile 1 (100–75%)	Quartile 2 (74–50%)
	Math	\$500	\$250
	Reading	\$500	\$250

**OR**

STRAND IIIA High School Campus College Credit Participation/Performance Award		MAXIMUM AWARD \$1,000					
Eligible high school staff are awarded where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>40% or more of students in grades 10–12 enrolled in at least one AP, IB, or dual credit Course, <b>OR</b></li> <li>Improvement in the percentage of students enrolled in at least one AP, IB, or dual credit course campuswide ranked in Quartile 1 or 2. Only positive change will be rewarded.</li> </ul>	Participation	Met Standard	\$500		\$500		
		Did Not Meet Standard Improvement Group in Q1/Q2	Q1	Q2	Q1	Q2	
	Performance			\$500	\$250	\$500	\$250
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>45% or more of all AP/IB exams taken score 3 (AP) or 4 (IB) or higher, <b>OR</b></li> <li>Improvement in the percentage of AP/IB exams scoring 3 or 4 or higher campuswide ranked in Quartile 1 or 2. Only positive change will be rewarded.</li> </ul>							

STRAND IIIB Campus Achievement Award		MAXIMUM AWARD \$400	
Eligible staff are awarded where their campus earned a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TEA rating of <i>Exemplary</i> or <i>Recognized</i>.</li> </ul>	Exemplary	Recognized	
	\$400	\$200	

STRAND IIIC Campus Writing Achievement Award		MAXIMUM AWARD \$200	
Eligible staff are awarded where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>70% or more of students campuswide met the college readiness standard on TAKS Writing/ELA, <b>OR</b></li> <li>Improvement in the percentage of students meeting the college readiness standard* on TAKS Writing campuswide ranked in Quartile 1 or 2. Only positive change will be rewarded.</li> </ul>	Met Standard OR Improvement Group in Q1/Q2	Special Education Core Foundation Teachers	
		\$200	

Award Exception	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If staff are assigned to a campus where data are not available, their award will be determined through special analysis.</li> </ul>	



\* College Readiness Standard is TAKS Writing/ELA scale score of 2200 or greater AND writing composition score of 3 or better on either the TAKS Writing grade 4 or 7 or the 11th grade TAKS ELA.