

# Why Your Child Should Attend the Waco Public Schools (WISD)

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## ***Modern Computer Labs***

More than 1000 computers are used by students to enhance their education. The "Writing to Read" program uses computers to teach language skills at the elementary level, beginning in kindergarten. "Windows on Science," an interactive videodisc program, as well as computer writing labs at the middle and high school levels, represent just a few of the ways technology has been integrated into the curriculum.

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## ***Carver Academy***

The Carver Academy is a middle school magnet focused on science, technology and international studies. This magnet school is designed for creative, resourceful, highly-motivated students who are excited about becoming productive citizens in a rapidly changing global society.

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## ***Gifted/Talented Programs***

The Gifted and Talented program is designed to stimulate and challenge high ability. Evaluation for participation in the program begins in the full day, full year kindergarten and continues through the sixth grade. Selected students are exposed to special programs of instruction including math, science, health, social studies and language arts.

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## ***Scholarship Offers***

Nearly one-third of all 1991 WISD graduates received scholarship offers exceeding \$1,500,000. Graduates attend such prestigious higher institutions of learning as Harvard, Dartmouth, Cornell, Vanderbilt, West Point Military Academy, Stanford and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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## ***Adopt-A-School***

More than 120 Waco area businesses are participants in the Adopt-A-School program. These business-education partnerships enhance the educational process by providing support and assistance to each of the district's twenty-six schools.

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## ***Diversity of Experience***

The Waco Independent School District provides students the opportunity to learn about the "real" world of which they will become a part. Diversity in the racial, ethnic and religious backgrounds of our students provides an atmosphere that encourages cultural growth.

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## ***Per Pupil Investment***

The Waco Independent School District invests heavily in the education of each student with a per pupil expenditure of \$4,282 annually. When this is combined with an overall pupil teacher ratio of 15.4 to 1 (higher than the Texas average), the availability of a high quality education is there for the taking.

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## ***Hillcrest P.D.S.***

The Hillcrest Professional Development School is a quality magnet school for elementary students with an emphasis on teaching students to become lifelong learners. This year round magnet school, without an attendance zone, will offer students throughout the WISD creative teaching techniques and state of the art technology.

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## ***Leadership Skills***

Waco Independent School District graduates excel as leaders. Ann Richards-Governor of Texas, Eddie Bernice Johnson-Congresswoman, Kevin Reynolds-writer and motion picture director, Lyndon Olson, Jr.-President, Primerica Life Insurance Companies, T. Berry Brazelton-noted pediatrician and author, Leon Jaworski - attorney and special Watergate prosecutor, Robert Wilson-noted playwright, and Henry Brown -Vice-President Atlanta Life Insurance Company represent only a few graduates who have excelled upon completion of their education in the WISD.

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## ***It's Free***

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**Membership Form**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Children**

Name

Date of Birth

Grade

Where in School

**Dues**

- Individual \$10 (Annual Dues)
- Family \$15 (Annual Dues)
- Honor Roll \$50
- Dean's List \$100
- President's List \$250
- Other \_\_\_\_\_ (onetime contribution)

**Areas of Interest**

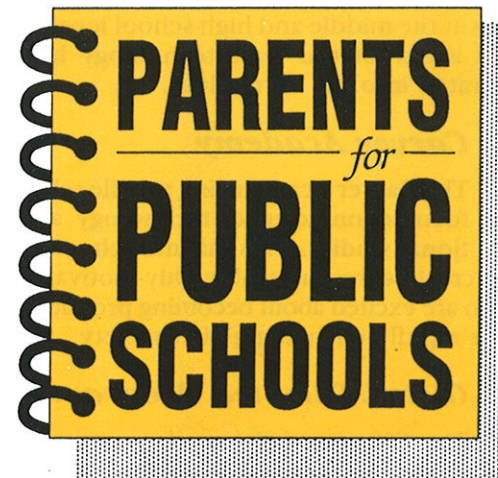
- Phone committees
- Public Speaking
- Fund Raising
- Postage and mailing
- Providing food for events
- Contacting others in your neighborhood or profession

**Please write if you need more information or are ready to get involved NOW!**

- Check here if you do not want your name to appear on membership lists, rosters.

# TEN GOOD REASONS

*Sample recruitment piece*



*to have your child*

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