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Division of Accreditation and Enforcement  
Texas Education Agency  
1701 North Congress Avenue  
Austin, Texas 78701

**IMPORTANT  
ACCREDITATION  
INFORMATION**

EMAIL & REGULAR/CERTIFIED MAIL

028-906  
2025-2026

**Subject: Assignment of Accreditation Status for Prairie Lea ISD**

Dear Prairie Lea ISD Community,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the 2025-2026 accreditation status of the Prairie Lea ISD is Accredited-Warned. Under state law, the accreditation statuses that may be assigned to districts include Accredited, Accredited-Warned, Accredited-Probation, and Not Accredited-Revoked. A status of Accredited-Warned means that a district exhibits deficiencies in performance that, if not addressed, will lead to probation or revocation of the district's accreditation status.

Prairie Lea ISD has been assigned an Accredited-Warned status based on performance within the state accountability systems. The district received a financial accountability rating of F – Substandard Achievement for 2025 and an academic accountability rating of D for 2025. The designation also reflects the district's academic accountability ratings of D for both 2023 and 2024, which, when considered alongside the 2025 ratings, collectively contributed to the Accredited-Warned classification.

The district is actively implementing a series of measures to address the areas of identified deficiencies. Prairie Lea ISD appreciates the support of voters in approving the 2025 Bond, which will address deferred maintenance, facility replacement, and capital needs, thereby reducing reliance on the general fund for major repairs. The district has enhanced budget-to-actual monitoring, increased the frequency of administrative reviews, strengthened approval protocols, and implemented board-approved budget amendments in compliance with TEC §44.006.

In addition, Prairie Lea ISD has successfully executed a comprehensive district improvement plan focused on raising student academic achievement, enhancing instructional practices, and providing targeted support to teachers and students. The district is collaborating closely with staff from the regional education service center and the Texas Education Agency to implement targeted interventions, data-driven instruction, and ongoing progress monitoring. Professional development, curriculum alignment, and student intervention systems continue to be strengthened to ensure sustained academic growth and improved outcomes for all students.

Under law, if the current accreditation concerns for the district are not addressed, the district may be assigned an accreditation status of Accredited-Probation or Not Accredited-Revoked. A Not Accredited-Revoked status means that the TEA no longer recognizes the district as a Texas public

school. Districts with an accreditation status below Accredited also may be subject to additional accreditation sanctions as referenced in statute and rule.

For more information regarding the assignment of accreditation statuses to school districts, you may access the TEA website at <http://www.tea.texas.gov/accredstatus/>. This website will provide you with background information as well as links to the Texas Education Code and current commissioner's rules related to accreditation.

If you have additional questions regarding the assignment of an Accredited-Warned status to the Prairie Lea ISD, or if you would like additional information about the district's ongoing improvement efforts, please contact Martha Gilmore [512-488-2328](tel:512-488-2328)/[gilmorem@plisd.net](mailto:gilmorem@plisd.net).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martha M. Gilmore". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Martha M. Gilmore, Ed.D., abd.  
Superintendent Prairie Lea Independent School District