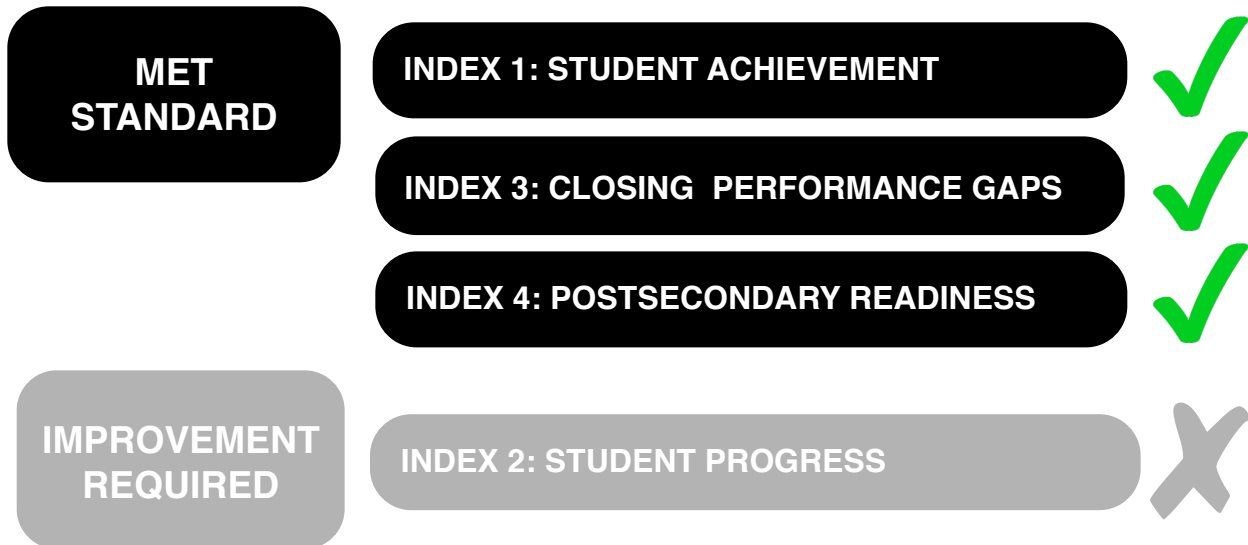


2013/2014 STATE ACCOUNTABILITY RATING



DISTRICT RATING: *Improvement Required*

OUR RESPONSE TO THE RATINGS

We view our first year as a baseline year. We believe that student progress (improvement over time) will be better measured once we serve students over time. We are constantly improving and analyzing all types of data to improve and deepen student learning. Also, we published this statement last year regarding STAAR exams:

“Here at Village Tech, STAAR results are not our end goal. Our goal remains to equip students for life well past standardized exams. We work to serve families by supporting students to become leaders with integrity, problem solvers, and solution creators as well as responsible, caring citizens for their communities. These metrics are more difficult to measure, are not easily bubbled into a scantron and cannot be scored by a computer (though Google may figure that out soon).”

WE ARE APPEALING FOR TWO REASONS:

FIRST: Statewide, K12 schools were **not** scored on Index 2. The reason, according to the Accountability Manual, were the changes made to the English I and English II End-of-Course (EOC) Exams. Village Tech was labeled an elementary school despite serving grades PK-8 and 100% of our 8th graders taking the English I EOC. As a result, we maintain that Index 2 should not have been scored last year.

SECOND: As a single campus district, we were rated at the elementary campus standard which is higher than the middle school and the district standard. This decision was communicated on August 8, 2014 well after the Accountability Manual had been approved and seven days after the accountability ratings were released.

For a detailed description of the indicators, visit <http://ritter.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/account/2014/manual/index.html>.