



NITSCH ELEMENTARY IS INSPIRING

Houston Schools That Inspire celebrates extraordinary work in ordinary public schools. While we often focus on fixing problems, this initiative spotlights what's already working brilliantly in our classrooms. By recognizing schools achieving remarkable results through innovation, we nurture excellence across our educational landscape. This celebration honors the selected schools, vibrant communities that support them, and the unique promise of Houston. **Nitsch is now part of this inspiring story!**

More Than A Comeback: The Blueprint Behind Nitsch's State-Leading Gains

At Nitsch, the magic isn't in a single program or person. It's in the systems: tight routines, intentional planning, and a culture that meticulously protects and optimizes instructional time. Rather than chase overnight success, the team at Nitsch rolled up their sleeves and built something durable, an ecosystem where every adult knows the plan and every child knows what to expect. This kind of consistency doesn't stifle creativity, it makes space for it. Because when students feel safe, structured, and seen, they can focus on what really matters: learning.

Once labeled a low-performing school, **Nitsch is now one of just three schools in Texas to achieve perfect growth scores.** Every student group is outperforming state and local averages—by double digits in many areas.



EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY:
Student Achievement through Responsive Education

Scan for an inside look at Nitsch's innovative methods.

HOUSTON SCHOOLS THAT INSPIRE

EDUCATE • ELEVATE • CELEBRATE

WHAT WE BELIEVE IN:



Educating and empowering Houston to think expansively about what school can, and should, be.



Elevating best practices and key insights that we can learn from and be inspired by.



Celebrating schools in our own backyard that are demonstrating excellence in a variety of ways.



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THE NUMBERS BEHIND THE INSPIRATION

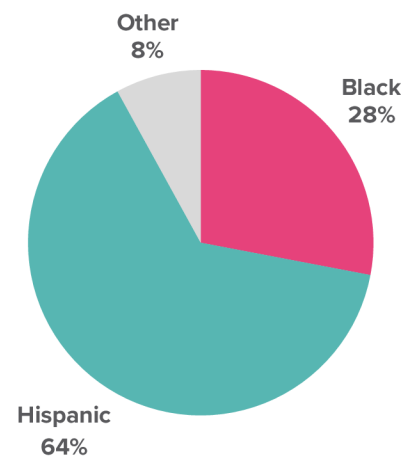
In a city as richly diverse as Houston, true educational excellence means creating learning environments that respond to and celebrate each student's unique identity and potential. This year's Houston Schools That Inspire are doing just that and the results speak volumes.

These schools aren't just making gains with one group of students; they're seeing achievement across the board. Black students, Hispanic students, emergent bilingual learners, and students with special needs are all exceeding local and state averages. That's not just progress; it's inspiration.

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Nitsch Elementary is setting the bar high—scoring 10 points above state and local averages in Reading and an incredible 26 points higher in Math.

With strong results across student groups, it's clear that Nitsch is building a foundation where every student has the opportunity to thrive.



● State or Houston Average STAAR Meets/Masters Rate

● Overall STAAR Meets/Masters Rate ● Black

● Emergent Bilingual ● Hispanic ● Special Education

● Economically Disadvantaged

