



Bob E. Griggs, Ed. D.

1993-2002

**Superintendent of Schools
Birdville ISD**

Dr. Bob E. Griggs served as BISD's superintendent 1993-2002. During his tenure, the community has passed two bond programs, \$74.7 million in 1993 and \$83.35 million in 1996. These programs allowed BISD to build its third high school (Birdville High), and a fine arts/athletics complex (FAAC), upgrade technology, renovate and expand existing campuses, and purchase land for future growth.

Under Grigg's leadership, student test scores were above state and national averages; district programs were recognized at the state and national levels; student participation and success at the regional, state and national levels increased; two elementary academies were established; an extracurricular honor code was established; "Limited Open Enrollment" was initiated; the Pre-Advanced Placement Program was extended to the middle school campus; and the school-within-a-school program for high school freshmen was established.

During his tenure, the Texas Education Agency began its ratings of school districts and BISD was rated "recognized" for three consecutive years. In 2001, 17 of the district's 31 campuses were rated exemplary, with 10 being rated recognized.

Before Dr. Griggs came to the district, no BISD campus had earned the U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon School Award. As of the end of the 2000-01 school year, two of the district's elementary schools had received the coveted title. Two additional campuses were named Texas Blue Ribbon Schools.

"It has been my desire since assuming the BISD superintendency to leave a legacy of student excellence. I am very proud that the BISD staff believes that all children can learn regardless of their heritage," Griggs said.

After retiring from Birdville ISD, Dr. Griggs went on to serve two terms in the Texas House of Representatives, and established an executive search firm and has led numerous superintendent searches for school districts across the state.

Dr. Griggs continues to support Birdville ISD teachers today through the Susan Griggs Exceptional Teaching Award. This award, named after his wife Susan, is presented to the District's elementary and secondary teachers of the year. Susan committed her life and career to the education of children as a prekindergarten, kindergarten, first- and third-grade teacher. She also was a dedicated and supportive wife of the superintendent, which brought her a different set of opportunities outside her classroom responsibilities.