

Purple Star Campus Designation 2023-24 Award Letter

Date: September 5, 2023

Subject: Purple Star Campus Designation Award SY 2023-2024

Dear MR. MATTHEW CALVERT

The Texas Education Agency is pleased to announce that ROBERT CRIPPEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL has fulfilled the criteria for earning the Purple Star Campus Designation for the 2023-2024 school year. This special designation, created by the 86th Texas Legislature through SB 1557, recognizes campuses for demonstrating support and commitment to meeting the unique needs of military-connected students and their families. The designation is effective for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 school years.

Applicants must have met the following eligibility criteria:

1. Designate a campus-based military liaison;
2. Create and maintain an easily accessible web page that includes information on military-connected students and their families;
3. Must have a campus transition program; and
4. Offer at least one of the following initiatives:
 - A resolution showing support for military-connected students and families;
 - Participation in Month of the Military Child or Military Family Month; or
 - Partnership with a school liaison officer to encourage and provide opportunities for active-duty military members.

Recipients of the award receive the following:

- Purple Star recognition to display (See the attached documents).
- Purple Star designations will be featured on the TxSchools.gov web page.

To see the Purple Star Campus Designation rule in its entirety visit: [19 TAC, Chapter 61. School Districts, Subchapter FF. Commissioner's Rules Concerning Veterans and Military Dependents. Division 2, Military-Connected Students, § 61.1063.](#)

For questions regarding the Purple Star Campus Designation, please contact Dr. Jimmy Bowser, Highly Mobile State Coordinator, in the Highly Mobile and At-Risk Student Programs Division at militaryconnectedstudents@tea.texas.gov.

Sincerely,



Mike Morath
Commissioner of Education