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DRIPPING SPRINGS HS INCLUDED ON DAILY BEAST LIST OF TOP SCHOOLS

DRIPPING SPRINGS, Texas – Dripping Springs High School is ranked among the 100 top high schools in the nation according to *The Daily Beast's* ranking (formerly *Newsweek*) released today (August 27). DSHS is ranked 83rd in the country and eighth in the state of Texas.

Six indicators were used to compare public high schools in the U.S., with graduation rates and college acceptance rates weighted most heavily. Other criteria included: college-level courses and exams (AP), percentage of students with free or reduced lunch, SAT scores, and ACT scores. The ranking also highlighted schools that excelled in each individual category. In the category “Rigor,” which included college-level courses and exams, Dripping Springs High School ranked 42nd in the United States.

"Positioning students for success in college and career is our goal, and we continue to create opportunities to help them on their educational journeys," said DSHS Principal Joe Burns. "Being recognized among the nation's elite high schools is an honor, and it reflects the entire community's commitment to educational excellence."

Of the seven high schools in Texas that were ranked higher, only two (Lovejoy HS at #62 and Highland Park HS at #77) are four-year comprehensive public schools.

For a complete list, see: <http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2014/08/27/america-s-top-high-schools.html>.

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