

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 457

WHEREAS, Harmony Science Academy - El Paso and Harmony School of Science in the Harmony Public Schools West Texas District have been named 2023 State Schools of Character by Character.org; and

WHEREAS, Each year, Character.org certifies schools and school districts that demonstrate a dedicated focus on character development that in turn has a positive effect on academic achievement, student behavior, and school climate; to qualify for the School of Character designation, campuses must implement comprehensive, multiyear character education programs and undergo a rigorous evaluation process; in 2023, only 15 schools in Texas and 73 schools across the nation received Character School honors; and

WHEREAS, Part of the Harmony Public Schools system, Harmony Science Academy - El Paso and Harmony School of Science are tuition-free, open enrollment charter schools that serve students in the West Texas area; alongside a curriculum focused on science, technology, engineering, and math, both campuses offer character education, which encourages students to develop and practice such traits as integrity, determination, and empathy; and

WHEREAS, By fostering learning environments that emphasize positive values and personal growth, Harmony Science Academy - El Paso and Harmony School of Science are providing students with important instruction that will serve them well throughout their lives, and each school's commitment to this endeavor is truly commendable; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby congratulate Harmony Science Academy - El Paso and Harmony School of Science on being named 2023 State Schools of Character by Character.org and extend to all those associated with the schools sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That official copies of this Resolution be prepared for the schools as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 25, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate