



TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT

PARENT GRAM



...from the Superintendent

This Was About The Teachers, But It Was For Our Kids

To the entire community of Terrebonne Parish, thank you! Through the successful passage of the ½ cent sales tax, you have taken a bold step forward in the support of education in our parish. With the revenues realized from this tax, needed resources will be generated that will bring teacher and employee salaries from some of the lowest in Louisiana to a level more in line with our neighboring parishes. It was an issue of great importance to our schools and to our parish and on behalf of Terrebonne's 2,300 teachers and employees, and the more than 18,000 students under their care, we offer our most sincere thank you.

Going forward, we are committed to attracting and retaining the very best educators to our school system. This endeavor is a core component of our plan, not merely to hold our position as one of the top performing districts in the state, but also as the foundation of our plan to become the top performing district in the state. We know that the single most important factor in a student's education is a qualified, certified teacher in the classroom; and while we have some of the best, most creative and most dedicated educators anywhere, we need more like them. Your vote to support the sales tax also supports our teachers in another way – they feel appreciated for the important work they do.

Our pledge to the community is that we will do everything we can to recruit and attract qualified professionals to Terrebonne Parish. The future of any community relies on the strength and vitality of its public school system, and we believe that Terrebonne Parish can be the premier school district in Louisiana.

And finally, to all who gave so much of themselves in these recent months in dedication to this effort, we offer our most sincere thanks as well. Your commitment to education and to our kids has been inspiring.

Sincerely,

Philip Martin
Superintendent

TFAE ANNOUNCES 2014-2015 DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARS AND INSPIRATIONAL EDUCATORS

Each year, Terrebonne Foundation for Academic Excellence (TFAE) recognizes students from Terrebonne Parish Schools as distinguished scholars. These students then select one educator that has been most inspirational to them in their education. Below are the names of the 2014-2015 distinguished scholars and the educators they selected.

Bayou Cane Adult Education

Scholar - Lois Williams
Educator - Brenna Barthel

Ellender Memorial High School

Scholar - Courtney Marie Dardar
Educator - Pamela Carlos
Scholar - Kiara Monet Scott
Educator - Angela Cicero

H.L. Bourgeois High School

Scholar - Jessica Lynn Brown
Educator - Eugenie Brown
Scholar - Matthew Luke Thomas
Educator - Chuck Leonard

South Terrebonne High School

Scholar - Dylan Charles Guillote
Educator - Gina Rhodes
Scholar - Miranda Claire Plaisance
Educator - Lisa Lapeyrouse

Terrebonne Career & Technical High School

Scholar - Elijah McCue
Educator Charlie Positerry
Scholar - Hunter Michael Presetenback
Educator - Tony Bergeron

Terrebonne High School

Scholar - Cecilia Katherine Hazard
Educator - Arlene Dehart
Scholar - Madeline Mary Adams
Educator - Virginia Lottinger

As a parent of a student in Terrebonne Parish Schools, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers who instruct your child. Federal law (No Child Left Behind) allows you to ask for certain information about your child's classroom teachers and requires us to give you this information in a timely manner. If you would like to receive any information, please contact the principal of your child's school.



TERREBONNE PARISH ANNOUNCES TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS OF THE YEAR



District Winners

Elementary School Teacher of the Year - Tara Portier
 Middle School Teacher of the Year - Summer Skarke
 High School Teacher of the Year - Susan Adams

Elementary School Principal of the Year - Gwen Ferguson
 Middle School Principal of the Year - Dr. Monica Breaux
 High School Principal of the Year - Matthew Hodson

School-Level Winners

Elementary School Teachers of the Year

Acadian Elementary - Lakisha Nelson
 Bayou Black Elementary - Nikki Fanguy
 Bourg Elementary - Julie Matherne
 Broadmoor Elementary - Sheri Constant
 Coteau-Bayou Blue Elementary - Reni Guidry
 Dularge Elementary - Amber Kurtz
 East Houma Elementary - Hernika McCoy
 Gibson Elementary - Anna Breaux
 Grand Caillou Elementary - Sabrina LaBauve
 Honduras Elementary - Jessica Vicknair
 Park Elementary - Megan Daigle
 Lisa Park Elementary - Melissa Brooks
 Montegut Elementary - Jennifer Ledet
 Mulberry Elementary - Tara Portier
 Oakshire Elementary - Tory Adkins
 Pointe-Aux-Chenes Elementary - Holly Hebert
 Schriever Elementary - Maria Turner
 Southdown Elementary - Theresial James
 Upper Little Caillou Elementary - Cherise Henry

Middle School Teachers of the Year

Caldwell Middle - Amy Guidry
 Elysian Fields Middle - Dwanyelle Lyons
 Evergreen Junior High - Dawn Trahan
 Grand Caillou Middle - Shawn Boquet
 Houma Junior High - Tonia Johnson
 Lacache Middle - Summer Skarke
 Montegut Middle - Gayle Moore-Westley
 Oaklawn Junior High - Tawaskie Anderson
 School for Exceptional Children - Craig Smith
 Village East Middle - Christine Scott Legion

High School Teachers of the Year

Ellender Memorial High - Bonnie Boudreaux
 H. L. Bourgeois High - Rebecca Bordelon
 South Terrebonne High - Susan Adams
 Terrebonne Career & Technical - Tammy Arceneaux
 Terrebonne High - Renee' Fonseca

2015-2016 PRE-KINDERGARTEN AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Parents are reminded that registration for Pre-Kindergarten classes will occur at all schools on March 4, 2015, through March 6, 2015. Pre-Kindergarten screening will follow on March 25 - 27, 2015. Kindergarten registration will occur on February 11, 2015, and February 12, 2015, at each public school in the parents' domicile area. **Children must attend the school in the district where their parents or legal guardians live. For both registrations, parents should bring proof of residency, immunization record, birth certificate, and social security card.**

UPDATES on SPRING 2015 TESTING GRADES 3 - 8

Louisiana will administer PARCC for English Language Arts (ELA) and math in grades 3 to 8 in spring 2015. This test will include the same questions field tested with nearly 50,000 Louisiana students across the state during the spring of 2014. PARCC will be given paper/pencil for all grades during the 2014-15 school year.

Spring Testing for grades 3 – 8 will occur in three phases: PARCC ELA and Math Performance Based Assessment (PBA); PARCC ELA and Math End of Year (EOY); and LEAP/iLEAP Science and Social Studies.

Testing Dates:

PARCC ELA and Math PBA: March 16 – 20, 2015
 LEAP/iLEAP Science and Social Studies: April 14 – 18, 2015
 PARCC ELA and Math EOY: May 4 – 8, 2015



Homework Help

Students may receive help with homework at:

Homework Louisiana

www.homeworkla.org

Sunday - Thursday

6:00 – 9:00 P.M.