

Louisiana Believes

Letter Grades: Preparing for the Fall

2016-2017 Public Reporting: Louisiana School Finder

ESSA provides Louisiana with an opportunity to collaborate with educators, parents, business leader, and community leaders to create and report on an improved K-12 education system that provides all students with equal access and opportunity to high-quality learning.

In order to provide families with information on school progress towards improving student performance and opportunities, the Department is releasing the Louisiana School Finder this fall in conjunction with the release of school performance scores.

While this year's results will only report on the indices from the previous accountability system, the School Finder will include the student growth and interest and opportunities indices in subsequent years.

Louisiana School Finder: School Search

If the user selected Option 1, they are then directed to the map and list of schools that match their criteria.

The screenshot displays the Louisiana School Finder interface. At the top left, the Louisiana Department of Education logo is visible. The search location is set to "Washington Ave, New Orleans, LA, USA". The "Age/Grade Level" filter is set to "Grade 10". A "MORE FILTERS" button is present. The search results show "Displaying 1-20 of 54 schools within 20 miles". The "Sort By" dropdown is set to "K-12 School Letter Grade". The map on the left shows the New Orleans area with 20 numbered pins. The list on the right shows the following schools:

Rank	School Name	Grade Levels	Parish	Distance	Letter Grade
1	BELLE CHASSE HIGH SCHOOL	Grade 8 - Grade 12	Plaquemines Parish	8.9 Miles	A
2	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL	Grade 9 - Grade 12	Orleans Parish	5.9 Miles	A
3	CHALMETTE HIGH SCHOOL	Grade 9 - Grade 12	St. Bernard Parish	8.4 Miles	A
4	DESTREHAN HIGH SCHOOL	Grade 8 - Grade 12	St. Charles Parish	Distance	Letter Grade

Louisiana School Finder: School Search

Users can select filters and preferences to customize their search.

The screenshot displays the Louisiana School Finder search interface. At the top, the location is set to "Washington Ave, New Orleans, LA, USA" and the "Age/Grade Level" filter is set to "Grade 10". A "CLOSE FILTERS" button is visible. The search results show "Displaying 1-20 of 54 schools within 20 miles" with a "Change Distance" link.

GRADE 10 FILTERS

- School Letter Grade:** Only display schools with the selected letter grade and above. Options: A, B, C, D, F.
- Distance:** Only display schools/centers within the number of selected miles. Options: 2, 5, 10, 20, ANY.
- District/Parish:** Only display schools/centers in the selected District/Parishes. A dropdown menu is present with the text "Select a district or parish" and a "Clear All" link.

GRADE 10 PREFERENCES

- School Type:**
 - Traditional public school
 - Public charter school
 - Magnet school
 - Alternative school
 - Scholarship school

A "CLEAR FILTERS" button is located at the bottom of the filter section.

Search Results:

- Sort By:** K-12 School Letter Grade
- 1 BELLE CHASSE HIGH SCHOOL:** Grade 8 - Grade 12 | Plaquemines Parish. Distance: 8.9 Miles. K-12 School Letter Grade: A.
- 2 BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL:** Grade 9 - Grade 12 | Orleans Parish. Distance: 5.9 Miles. K-12 School Letter Grade: A.
- 3 CHALMETTE HIGH SCHOOL:** Grade 9 - Grade 12 | St. Bernard Parish. Distance: 8.4 Miles. K-12 School Letter Grade: A.
- 4 DESTREHAN HIGH SCHOOL:** Grade 8 - Grade 12 | St. Charles Parish. Distance: [unclear]. K-12 School Letter Grade: [unclear].

Louisiana School Finder: School Search

In this case, the user selected that they were interested in schools that offered Advanced Placement, Jumpstart Pathways and Band.

Indicates if preferences have been met

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Rank	School Name	Grade Levels	Parish	Distance	Letter Grade	Preferences Met
1	BELLE CHASSE HIGH SCHOOL	Grade 8 - Grade 12	Plaquemines Parish	8.9 Miles	A	3 out of 3
2	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL	Grade 9 - Grade 12	Orleans Parish	5.9 Miles	A	3 out of 3
3	CHALMETTE HIGH SCHOOL	Grade 9 - Grade 12	St. Bernard Parish	8.4 Miles	A	3 out of 3
4	DESTREHAN HIGH SCHOOL	Grade 8 - Grade 12	St. Charles Parish			

Louisiana School Finder: School Performance

Once a user has selected a school, they will be provided with following information.

- **About Our School:** school contact information, hours of operation, principal or director name, transportation information, before and after school options, and school offerings (academic, enrichment, athletic, and extracurricular)
- **Academic Performance:** data on how well a school or center is preparing students for the next level of study, including each metric used in calculating school performance scores or early childhood performance profiles

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BATON MIDDLE SCHOOL

K-12 Report Card Grade



ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE (COMING SOON)



5100 Greenwell Springs Rd
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

[View on Google Maps](#)

332-333-4422

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eas>

Information coming soon!

OVERVIEW

GRADES SERVED

Grade 6-Grade 8

DISTRICT/PARISH

Baton Rouge School District

SCHOOL TYPE

Traditional Public School

PRINCIPAL

New Hamilton Dalrymple

EARLIEST DROP-OFF

Information coming soon!

LATEST PICK-UP

Information coming soon!



ACADEMIC OFFERINGS

Foreign Language



MUSIC/ART

- Band
- Visual Arts
- Dance
- Music
- Theatre



BEFORE & AFTER-SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

Information coming soon!



CLUBS

Information coming soon!

Here is the view of the “About Our School” tab.

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WHALE COAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

K-8 SCHOOL LETTER GRADE



ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE ▼

SCHOOL OFFERINGS

OVERALL PERFORMANCE

WHAT IS THIS SCHOOL'S OVERALL LEVEL
GRADE?

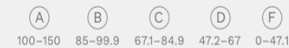
2016-2017 LETTER GRADE



HOW IS THIS OVERALL LETTER GRADE
SCORED?

2016-2017 SCHOOL PERFORMANCE SCORE

103.5



The school performance score communicates how well a school is preparing all of its students for the next level of study. For elementary schools, this score is based on students' mastery of key content for their grade level, and their successful transition into 9th grade for schools with 8th grade students. For high schools, this score also measures graduation rates and how well schools are preparing students for college and a career.

Schools can sometimes receive a letter grade outside the score ranges shown here. [Click here for more information.](#)

[▶ Watch Here to Learn How Schools Are Rated](#)

Here is the view of the "Academic Performance" tab.

HOW HAS THIS SCHOOL PERFORMED OVER TIME?

2016-2017 OVERALL PERFORMANCE	A 103.5
2015-2016 OVERALL PERFORMANCE	C 84.1
2014-2015 OVERALL PERFORMANCE	B 90.9

HOW DOES THIS SCHOOL'S SCORE COMPARE TO ITS SCHOOL SYSTEM'S SCORE?




2016-2017 OVERALL SCHOOL PERFORMANCE	A 103.5
2016-2017 OVERALL DISTRICT PERFORMANCE	C 85.6

[See this district's full report card >](#)

HOW IS THIS SCHOOL PERFORMING ON ON KEY METRICS?

 STUDENT PERFORMANCE A 103.5 View Details	 STUDENT PROGRESS Coming in 2018! View Details
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HOW IS THE SCHOOL PERFORMING IN OTHER CATEGORIES?

 BREAKDOWN BY STUDENT GROUPS View Details	 TEACHER WORKFORCE View Details
 DISCIPLINE & ATTENDANCE View Details	

View full draft of report card designs [here.](#)

Activity: Reflection on School Report Cards

Take the next five minutes to review the report cards and reflect on the following questions:

- What positive impact will these new report cards have on family and community understanding of school performance and quality?
- How are these new report cards more helpful in communicating your school's performance? In what ways are they more challenging?
- What support will school leaders need in order to have meaningful conversations about this year's results?
- How can the Department help school leaders prepare for this release and hold conversations with families on school performance?

School Report Card Resources

The Department will release the following resources in October to support schools and schools systems in having conversations with families about the new Louisiana School Finder and report cards, and what upcoming changes are happening in the way schools are rated in our state.

- **Animated school performance score video:** video that will explain each metric currently available in the Louisiana School Finder related to school performance (a similar version will be created for early childhood performance profiles) and upcoming metrics in 2018
- **Parent Night Presentation:** customizable presentation that will explain the new Louisiana School Finder system, its purpose, the data included in it, and what information will be provided in the future through this system as it relates to school quality.
- **Printable School Report Card:** schools will be able to print a copy of their report card from the Louisiana School Finder system to send home to families or share at parent nights

Key Dates for School Finder Reporting

Key Dates	Date
School Systems preview School Overview information in school finder system and make corrections, if needed, in SponsorSite and/or BLAS.	Week of October 2; corrections due by October 6
Department engages with advocates, business and community leaders, and media across the state to build awareness of new system prior to release.	October
School Finder released and promoted with all stakeholder groups.	Late Fall
Schools hold parent nights to discuss school results.	Fall release-December

Contact Us

For questions regarding 2016-2017 reporting, please contact assessment@la.gov.

To request additional tools to support the release of the school finder, please contact ldoecommunications@la.gov.