

Non-Public School School Manager User Guide 2023-2024

The Annual Financial Report is submitted electronically during the annual nonpublic reporting period, using LDOE Edlink NPS Reporting System.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

What Is The Nonpublic Annual Data Submission?

Each nonpublic school seeking state approval must submit a Nonpublic Annual Data Submission to the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) by the deadline set by the LDOE. The report shall be authorized by the administrative head of the school. A copy of the report and supporting mandatory documentation must be maintained on file at the school.

The *Nonpublic Annual School Report* is submitted electronically using the **LDOE Edlink NPS Reporting System** portal. Authorized users of LDOE application systems require a valid User ID and password.

Requesting Updates to General School Information

Prior to electronically submitting the Nonpublic Annual Data Submission, it is important to verify the accuracy of the information on record at the LDOE for your nonpublic school. This includes such information as Principal Name, E-mail Address, Physical Address, Mailing Address, Telephone Number, Fax Number, and Grade Structure.

Nonpublic Schools Security and Confidentiality Policy

Data Security Procedures: Data security standards define specific requirements for managing and controlling access to the **LDOE Edlink NPS Reporting System** portal for the electronic submission of the *Nonpublic Annual Data Submission*. Security goals will be met by requiring all personnel using Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) computer systems to have a unique User ID, and to be associated with a security profile that will control their access to computer resources. The monitoring and control of access to computer resources will be accomplished using automated security software.

Due to ongoing changes in the data processing environment, situations may occur in which the applicability of these standards may be uncertain. In such cases, it is the user's responsibility to seek the proper interpretation of standards through LDOE/Information Technology Services (ITS). In no event, shall undefined or unclear standards be construed to imply an access authorization. These standards apply to all persons who use or have access to LDOE computer systems.

USER ACCESS

User Access Authorization: If you are a new user or if you have a User ID and are authorized to access other LDOE application systems, you will need to be granted authority to access the Nonpublic Schools Annual Data Collection (NPS) application system by requesting permission through the **Edlink Security** application. If access is authorized, the appropriate User ID, password, and security profile will be assigned according to categories of organizations making the requests.

- User IDs are not to be shared among users.
- Users will be held individually accountable for all system access and any violations recorded under their User ID.
- Notification of the User ID and temporary password will be communicated to the user in confidence by e-mail.

The Principal or School Administrator must notify the Nonpublic Security Coordinator of changes in status for users (i.e. if a user no longer needs access or due to termination or job reassignment). Such updates are critical to the security of the LDOE data systems.

User ID Suspension, Revocation, and Reactivation: If a User ID has been revoked due to sign-on or resource access denials, the User ID may be reactivated and/or resumed only by the ITS Security Coordinator after a review of the circumstances and a discussion with the user. User IDs will be revoked in any of the following circumstances:

- After five unsuccessful sign-on attempts.
- After five resource access denials in one terminal session.
- At the scheduled end of consulting or temporary labor engagements.
- During their investigation of an actual or suspected security violation, if revocation is requested by management.
- On management request and/or direction due to termination.

Passwords may be reset at any time, or if forgotten, using the **LDOE Edlink Password Reset System**. For instructions on resetting your password, see the section **LDOE Edlink Password Reset System** in this guide.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

For technical assistance in preparing the mandatory documentation and for electronically submitting the Non-public Annual School Report, the following websites and contacts should be used.

Louisiana Department of Education: TOLL FREE #: 1-877-453-2721

Nonpublic Schools Security Coordinator: nonpublicschools@la.gov

Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE): http://www.louisianabelieves.com Nonpublic Schools: http://www.louisianabelieves.com/schools/nonpublic-schools Password Reset System (PRS): https://password.doe.louisiana.gov

Nonpublic School Approval and Brumfield v. Dodd Approval nonpublicschools@la.gov

Data Management and Security - Nonpublic Updates, LEADS/NPS Access & User IDs nonpublic schools@la.gov

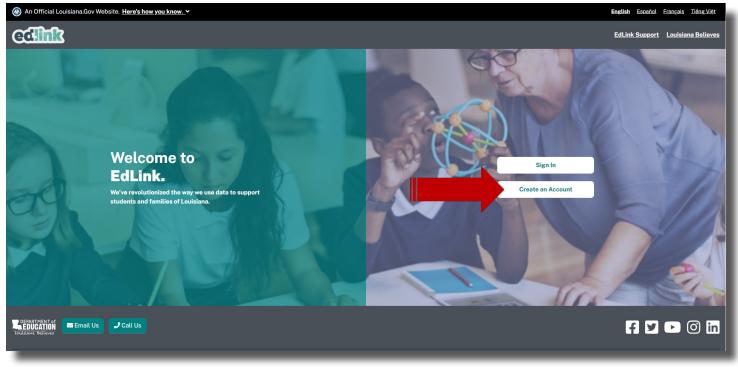
Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information - Background Checks http://www.lsp.org/technical.html#criminal

Instructions For Existing Users of LDOE Application Systems If you are an existing user for any of the LDOE application systems and you have a valid User ID, you may be required to reset your password (passwords expire every 30 days). For instructions on resetting your password, see the section PART II. PASSWORD RESET SYSTEM (PRS) in this guide.

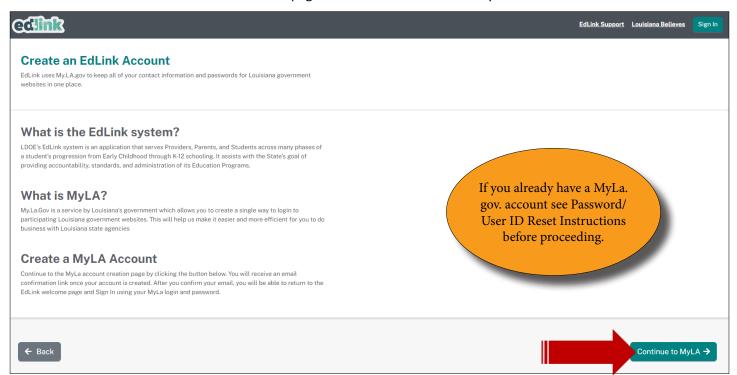
LDOE SYSTEM ACCESS AND SECURITY

Using the link below, begin creating your MyLa.Gov account and gain access to EdLink. If you already have a MyLa account, skip to page 20 and complete the New User Personal Profile. The following instructions are presented in a step-by-step format to help those who do not have a MyLa account.

https://ldoe.edlink.la.gov



Take a moment to read the information on this page. Then select "continue to MyLa."



User Profile appears, then you've already created a MyLa.gov. account. Complete the profile with your personal information. Avoid using Auto Fill (shared computers/data entry will select erroneous data). Once you've completed the profile, select save. Continue to page 21 and Sign In to Edlink.
After selecting, "Continue to MyLa", proceed to the next page to complete your registration.

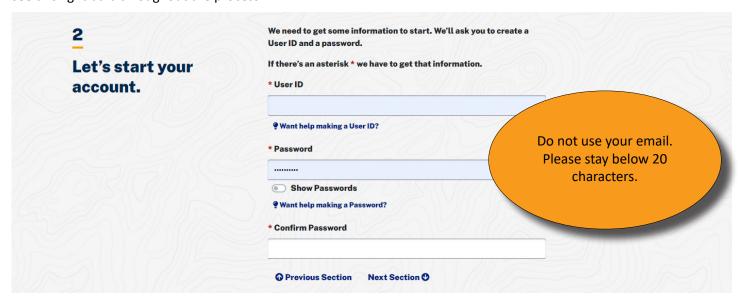
The "Create Your Account" page will appear. Accept Cookies and scroll down slowly until you see Step 1 of "Create Your Account."



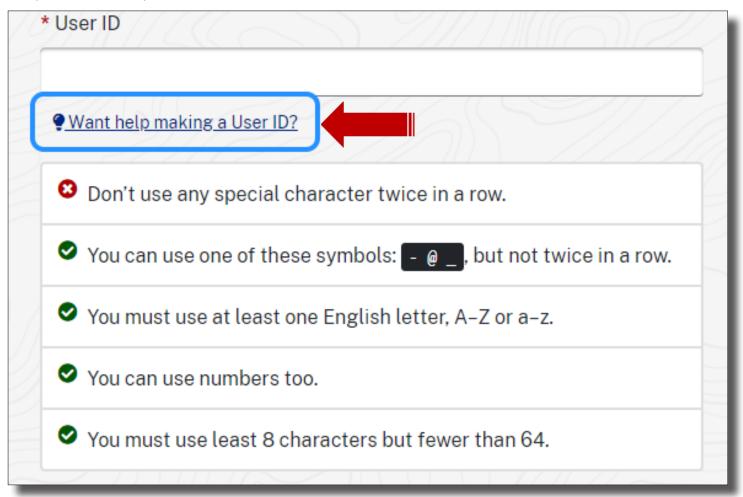
Scroll down and begin inputting your information into the Tell Us About Yourself section. Please note that where there is a red asterisk, you must enter information to proceed.

Create Your Account	You're going to get a lot of help with My.La.Gov We only need to get a few pieces of information from you, in four easy steps. We promise it will go quickly.
1 Tell us about yourself.	If there's an asterisk * we have to get that information. * First Name
	Middle Names
	This is optional. * Last Name
	Next Section 🖰

Create a User ID. If you need assistance with creating a User ID, click on the blue light bulb below the text box. You will see this light bulb throughout the process.



Click on the blue light bulb to view the required format for your User ID and Password. Click back on the light bulb to collapse the format requirements.



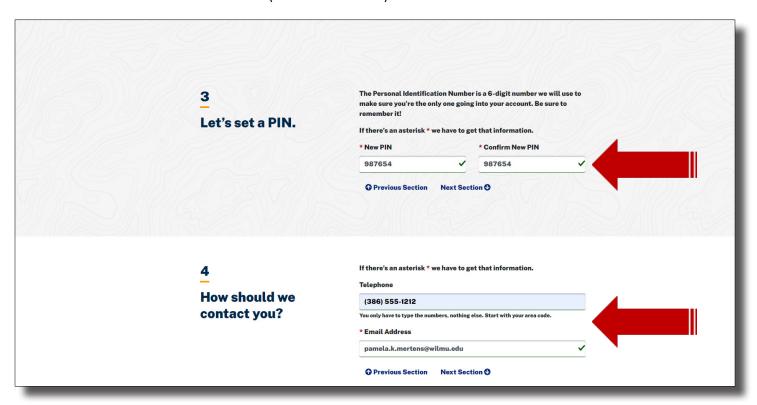


User IDs and Password Standards:

User IDs assigned by the Security Coordinator consists of the letter "E" plus six characters. The first three numbers is the Sponsor Code.

In addition to a User ID, an initial password will be assigned. This initial password will be set to expire and to force a new password selection on the user's first sign-on to the system. Users are required to maintain the confidentiality of their passwords and to change their password when they suspect that the privacy of their password may have been compromised.

You will now set and confirm a personal pin. Provide an active and frequently used email and telephone number. Do not use consecutive or identical numbers (123456 or 999999).



After section 4 is complete, Select the large green "Create Your Account" button. You will now be asked to confirm your email.



If you receive an error stating that your email or user ID are already being used, you'll need to retrieve either or both using this link: https://my.la.gov/en-us/

- 1. Select, Sign In.
- 2. Select Need Help Logging In. This is located under the white credential request box. Follow the steps on this page for retrieving your credentials.



Confirm your email. Find the email inbox of the address that was used when creating your MyLa registration. Follow the instructions within the email. Once you have confirmed your email, sign back into Edlink as shown on the next page.

CONFIRM EMAIL

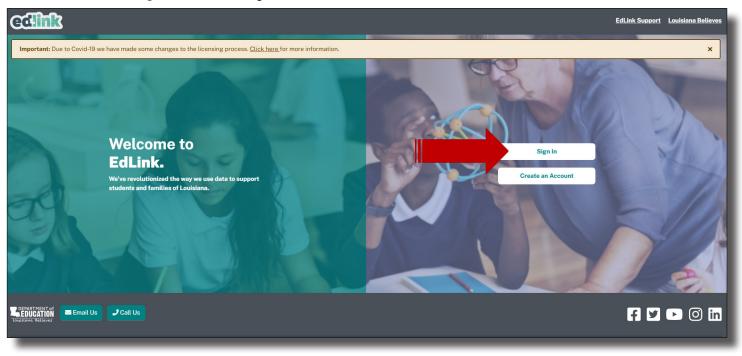


An email will be sent to the email on record that you must verify. You must click on the <u>Confirm Email</u> option located within the verification email. The verification email will expire in 24 hours.

Once you've confirmed your email, return to the link on the next page and Sign In. You do not need to close out any of the previous pages. However, it will be less confusing if you do not have unnecessary pages open.

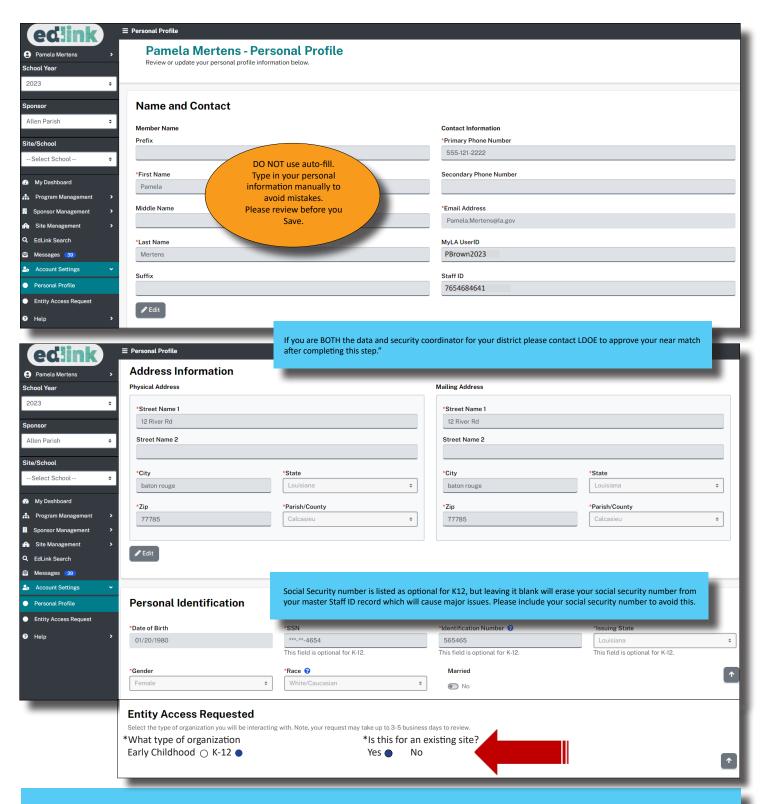


You're ready to begin the next step in the Edlink registration process. Click here to SignIn: Edlink. You may also type or copy the Edlink URL; https://ldoe.edlink.la.gov/#/.



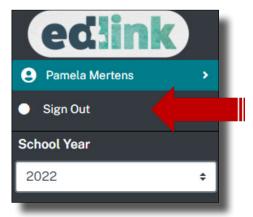
You'll now be navigated to the New User Profile page.

NEW USER PERSONAL PROFILE



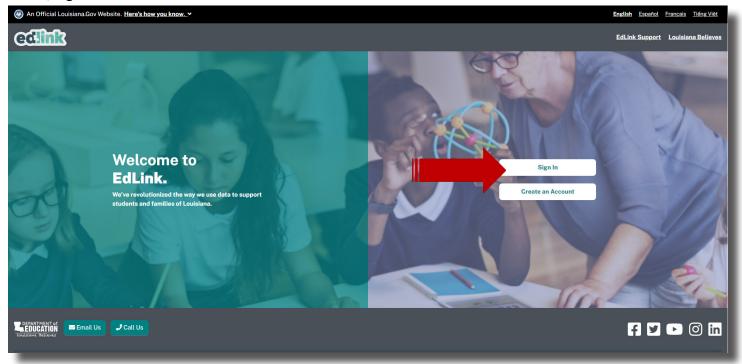
SELECT K-12 AND YES TO "IS AN EXISTING SITE?" THEN SELECT, "SAVE." YOUR ENTERED INFORMATION WILL BECOME GREY FIELDS AND CAN NO LONGER BE EDITED. IN THE NAME AND CONTACT SECTION, ENSURE THAT YOU WERE ISSUED A STAFF ID, AFTER SAVING. IF YOU WERE NOT, CONTACT YOUR ADMINISTRATOR FOR INSTRUCTIONS.

To complete your access, "Sign Out", from the navigation panel, located under your User ID at the top left side of your screen.



Once again, you'll be navigated to the Edlink Sign In page shown below. You will not have to do duplicate functions in the future but it necessary to complete your access.

Select, Sign In."



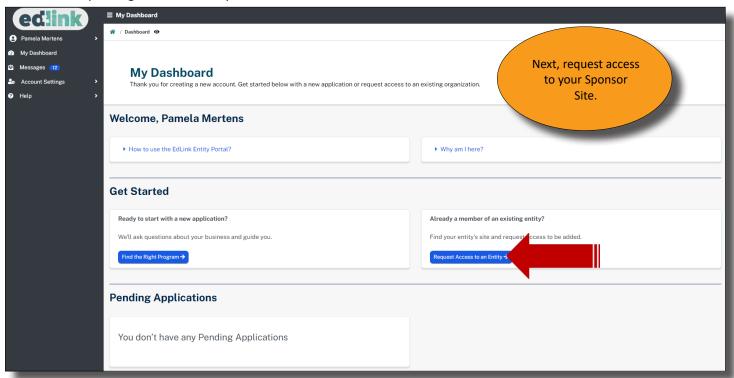


EDLINK SECURITY ACCESS REQUESTS

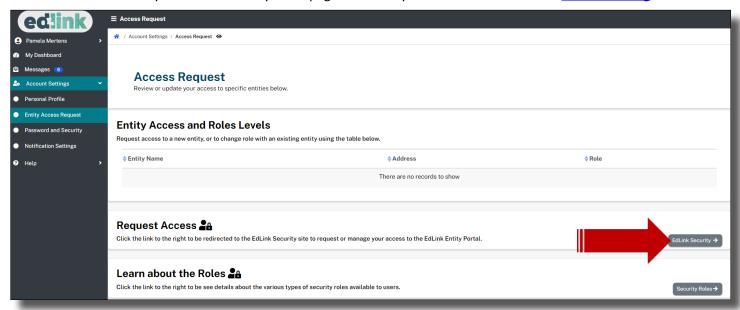
Your personal, New User Dashboard will appear. Your access will be limited to this Dashboard until your requests for access have been approved.

To begin the request for access to your School System and begin the New Application process, follow these instructions:

Select the Requesting Access to Entity button.

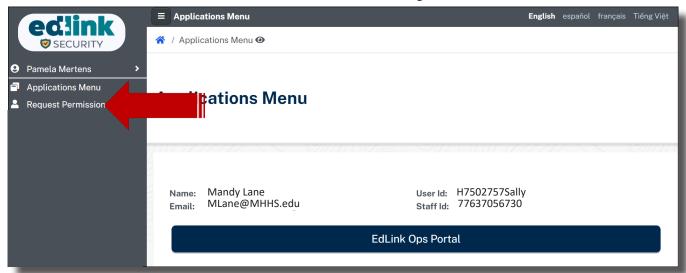


Select the Edlink Security button. The Entity Roles page is currently unavailable. See Roles at Edlink Training for details.

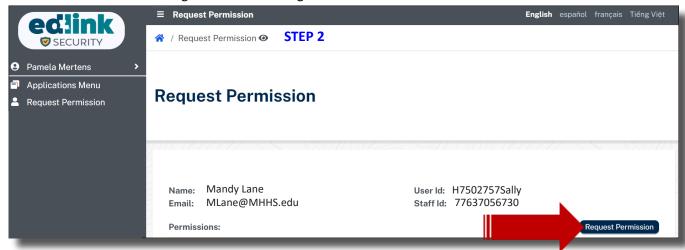


REQUEST SCHOOL MANAGER ROLE

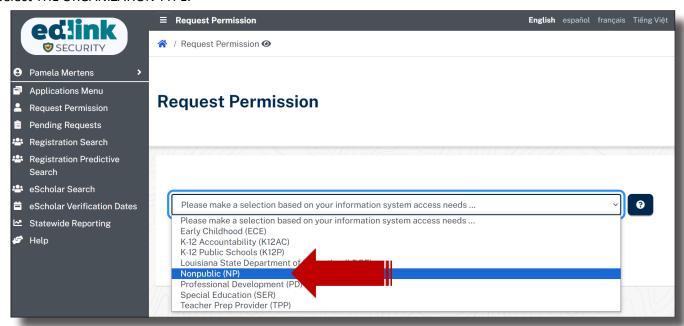
1. Select REQUEST PERMISSION on the left-side menu under the Edlink logo.



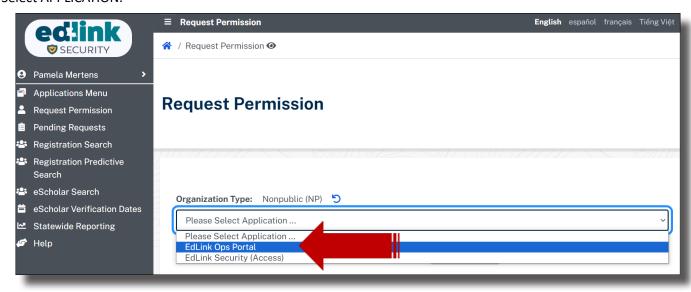
2. Select REQUEST PERMISSION again but from the right of the screen.



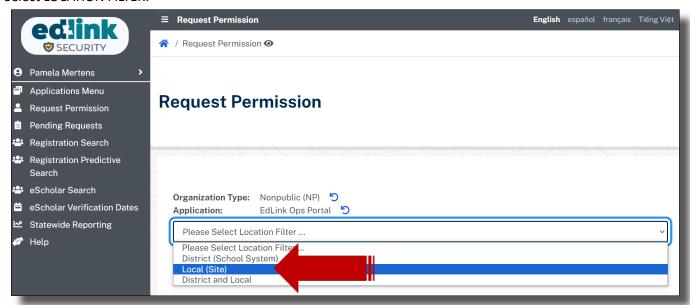
3. Select THE ORGANIZATION TYPE.



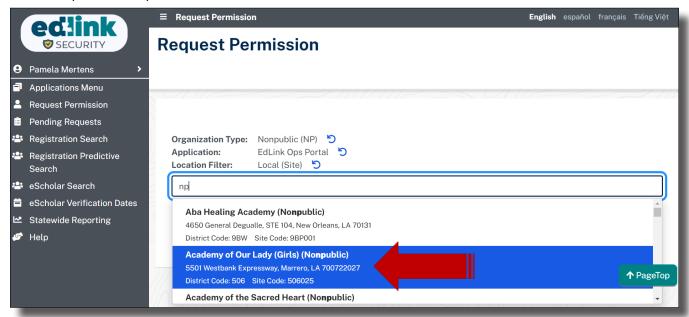
4. Select APPLICATION.



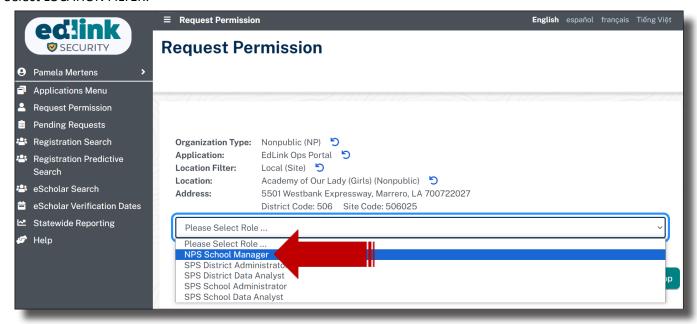
5. Select LOCATION FILTER.



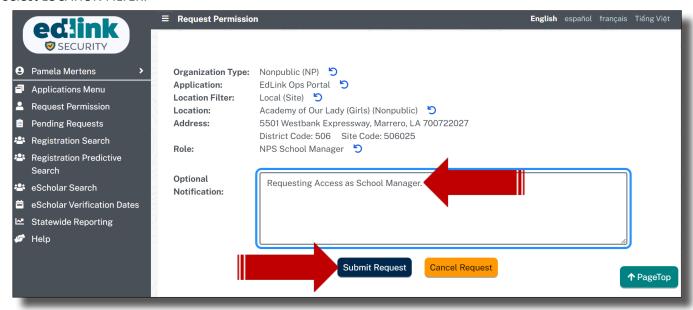
6. Select SITE (not SYSTEM).



7. Select LOCATION FILTER.



8. Select LOCATION FILTER.

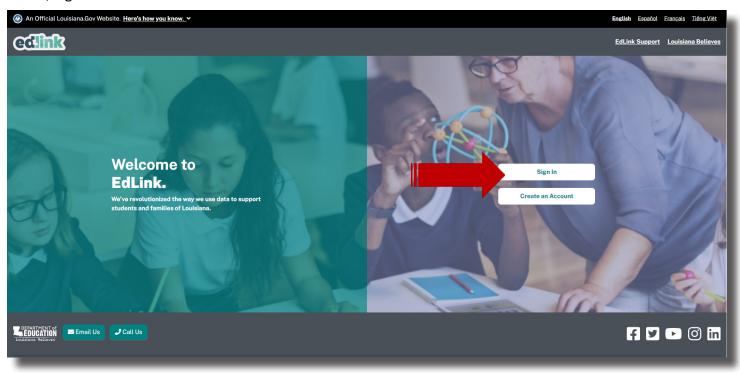


Please allow 24-48 Hrs. for your requests to be approved by LDOE. You will receive an email from LDOE once your requests have been approved.

After you have been approved by LDOE, Log back into Edlink at:

https://ldoe.edlink.la.gov

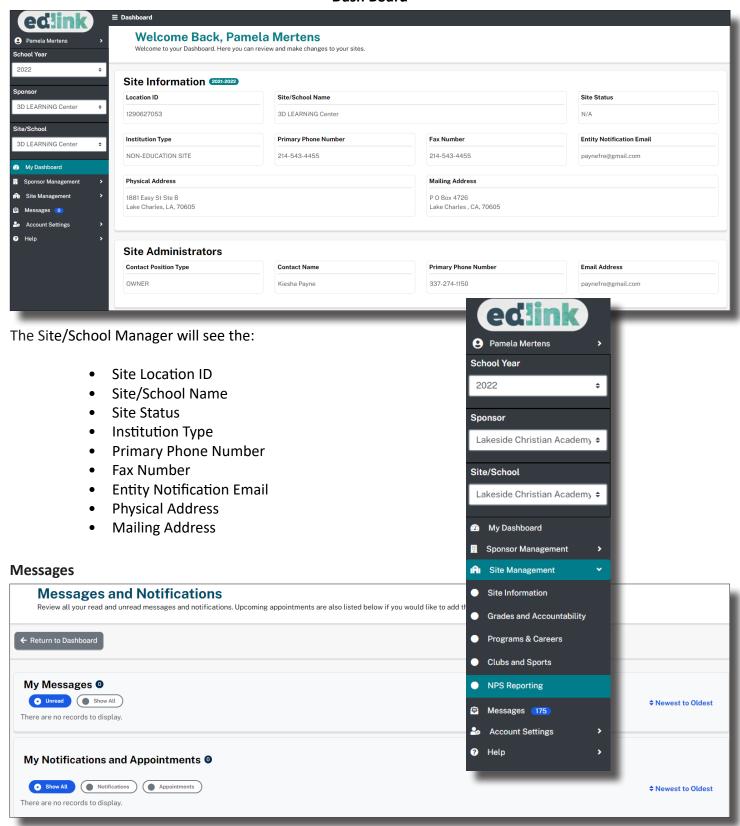
Select, Sign In."



If the preceding instructions were correctly followed and permissions were granted by LDOE, you will be navigated to the Site Dashboard.

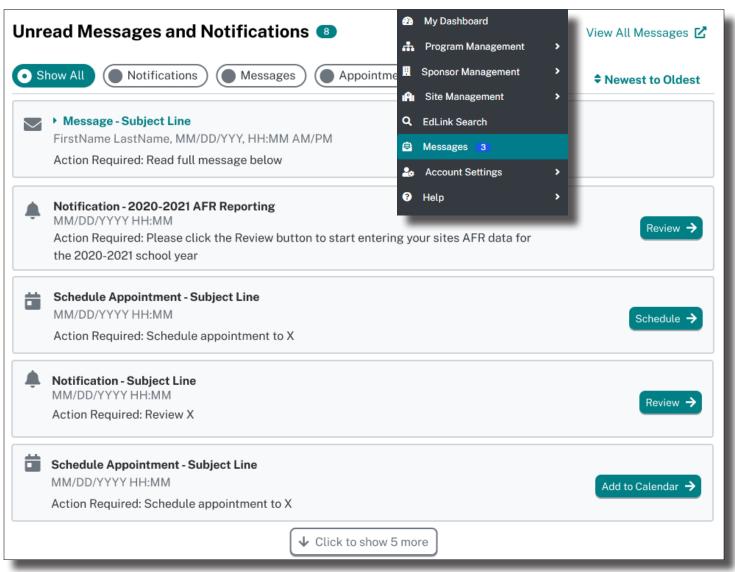


Dash Board



Messages, Notifications and Alerts will inform the Site/School Manager if Actions need to be completed or reviewed.

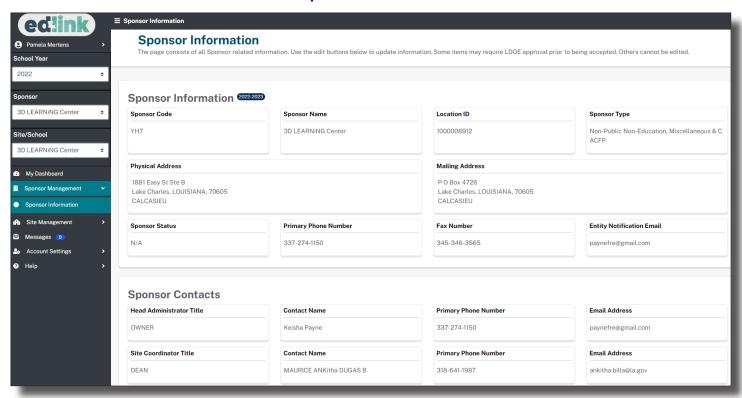
Unread Messages and Notifications

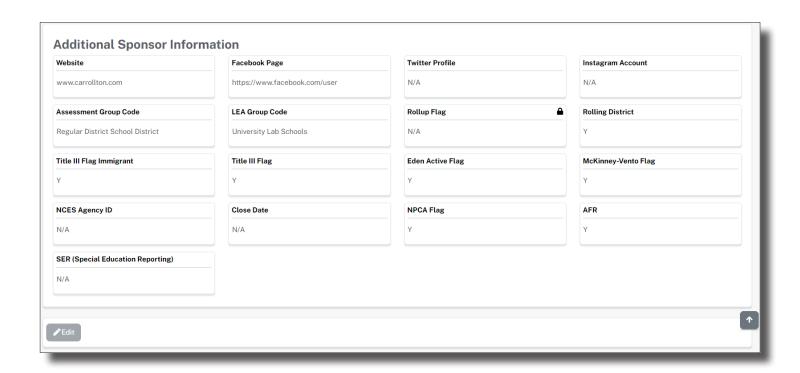


Unread Messages and Notifications: School Manager/Entity Manager should see the following fields displayed under Unread Messages and Notifications section:

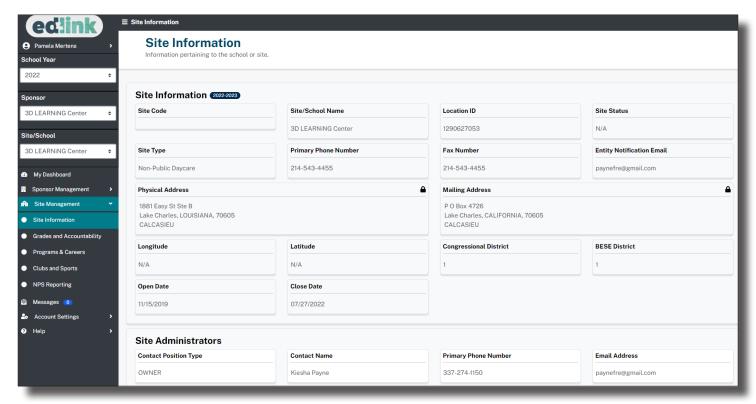
- Option for the Entity manager to view all message ('Show All')
- Option to view only Notifications')
- Option to view only messages ('Messages')
- Option to sort messages or search results based on date received ('Newest to Oldest' and wise versa)
- Option to filter results/messages/notifications by date range ('Start Date Range' and 'End Date Range' calendar fields)
- Option to clear all the filters selected ('Clear Filters' button)
- Hyperlink on top of the section to View All Messages in a new window

Sponsor Information



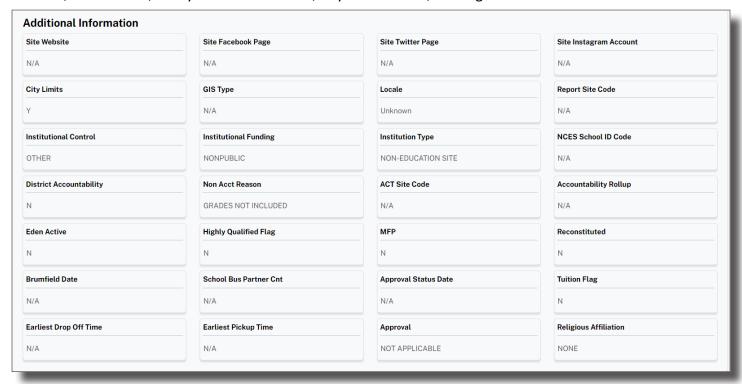


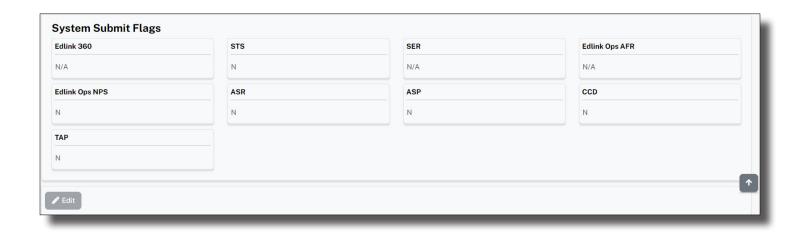
Site Information



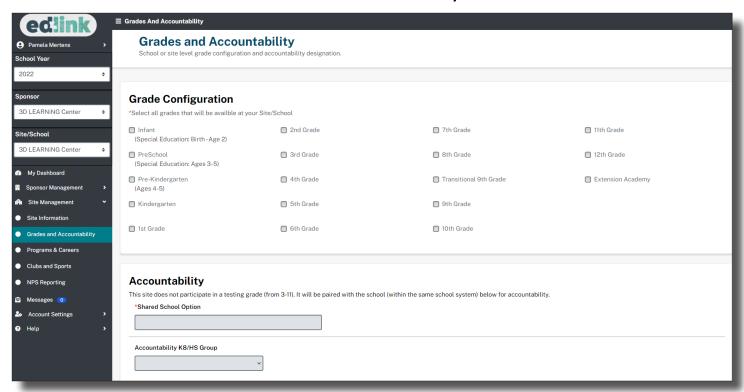
The Site/School Manager will see the:

Prepopulated information with Site Location ID, Site/School Name, Site Status, Institution Type, Primary Phone Number, Fax Number, Entity Notification Email, Physical Address, Mailing Address

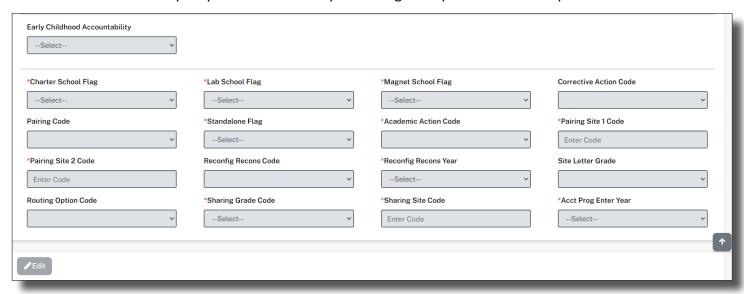




Grades and Accountability



Grades and Accountability may be edited once a year during the Open Window for Sponsor Sites.





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If your site needs to change the current grade configuration, that can be done by continuing to the Grades and Accountability section of Site Management. Note that changes may require an LDOE representative to approve changes and can take up to 5 business days to be approved. Once approved, please return to your NPS document to continue with the submission process.

Go to Grades and Accountability

Stay on Page

Additional Information

List the actual number of instructional days (days the students were taught the courses outlined in the Program of Studies under supervision of qualified personnel) during the 2017-2018 year (See instructions for additional information.)

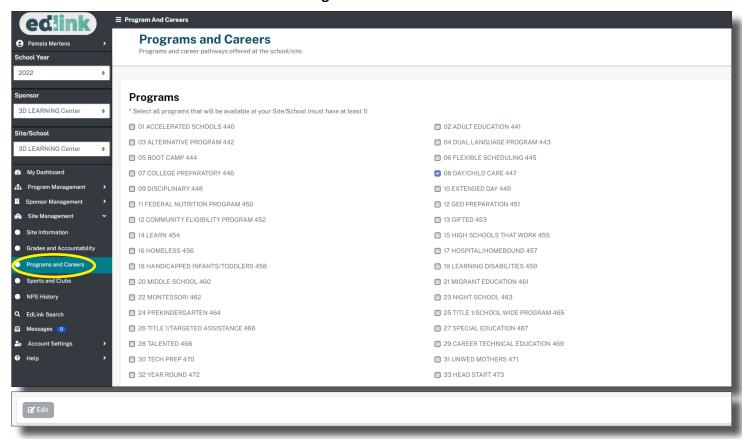


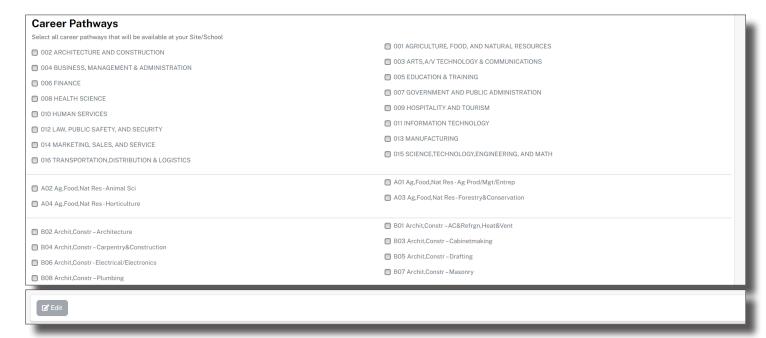
Total Faculty Members

List the total number of faculty members during 2017-2018 year. Faculty refers to teh school-based personel. In addition to full-time classroom teachers, these individuals incldue Principasl, Assistant Principals, Guidance Counselors, Librarians, and other Instructional Staff (provided these individuals are assigned to teach at least one calss in the Program of Studies)



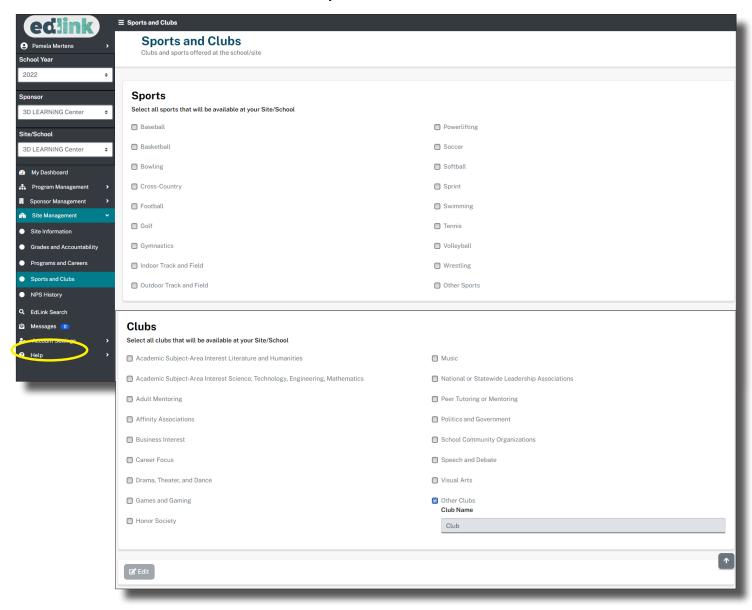
Programs and Careers





Programs and Careers and Career Pathways may be edited once a year during the Open Window for Sponsor Sites.

Sports and Clubs

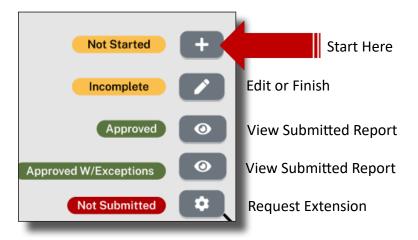


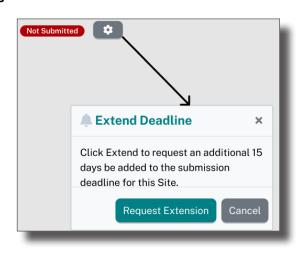
Non Public School Reporting

Site/School Managers can track the history of previous and current NPS reports for review and take action during current reporting periods.

- User will have the ability to Return to Dashboard page by selecting respective button.
- An NPS Reporting 'info' alert will display while a reporting period is open.
- A table will show the NPS history for the site and the following details will be displayed:
 School year, Approved date, Grade, Status e.g. Not Started, Incomplete, Approved,
 Approved w/ Exceptions, Not Submitted.
- The icons shown will align to the status of the NPS for each record:
 - Not Started Plus Icon; user clicks this to start a new NPS entry using a form
 - -When a new reporting period has started, a new record entry will be created for that school year and start with a "Not Started" status.
 - Incomplete Pen Icon; user clicks this to get to a previously started NPS entry form
- Approved and Approved W/Exceptions Eye Icon; will display a read-only (all disabled fields) version of the NPS entry form
 - Not Submitted Gear Icon; Will launch a modal that allows a user to request an extension. Clicking "Request Extension" will send a notification to the WP user.
- Canceling will close the modal
 - -- The system will change the status for any items that are not in Approved an Approved W/Exceptions to "Not Submitted" if the matching school year has passed the due date.

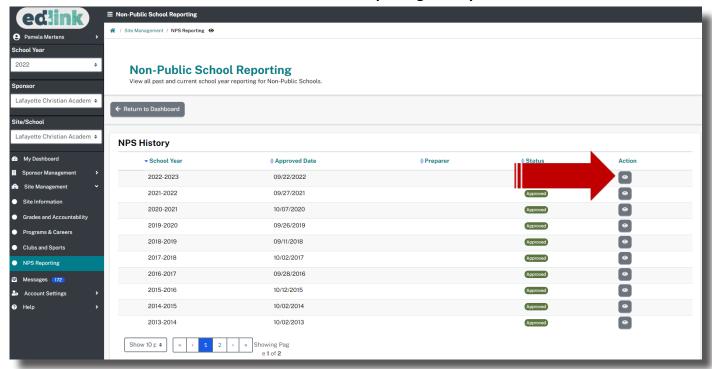
Icons and Their Functions



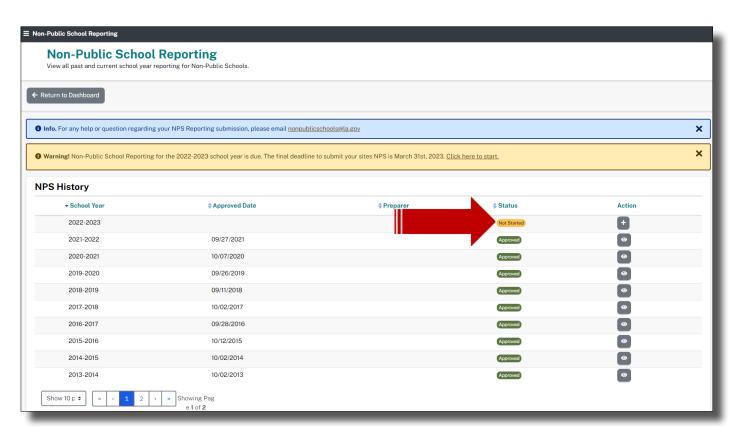


*Extensions will only be granted for requests during the current reporting period. The Extension will automatically be reset with an additional 15 days added to the due date.

Non Public School Reporting History

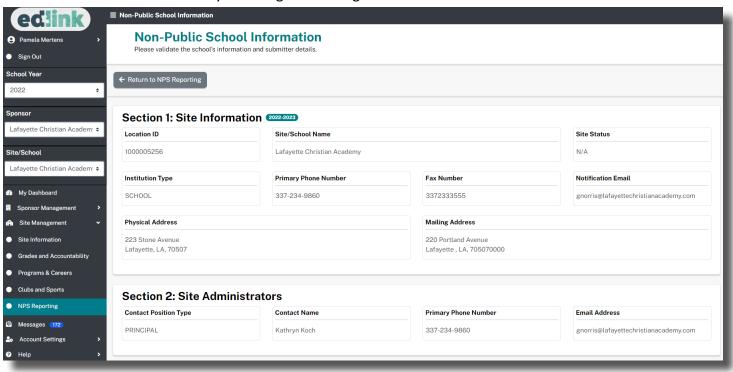


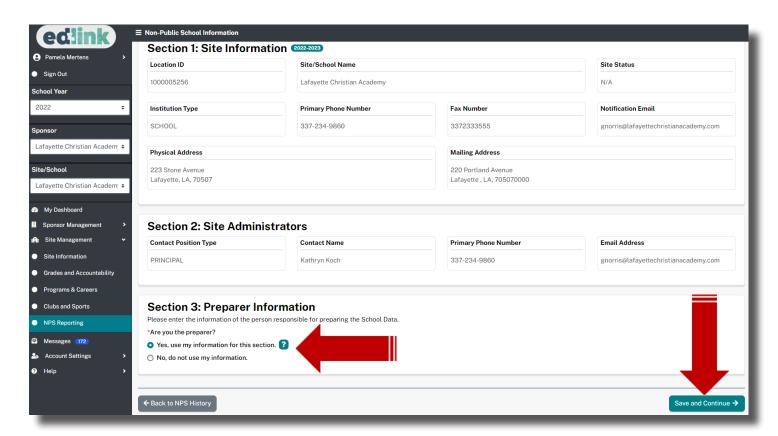
Select the eye icon to view previously completed reports.



Select the + icon to begin your report. The following page will appear.

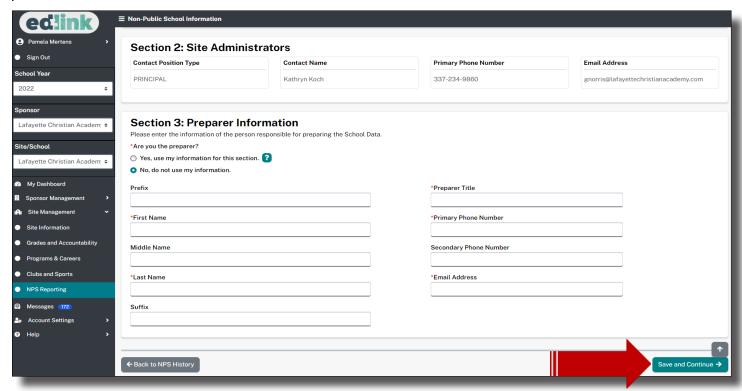
The Site/School Manager will see Prepopulated information with Site Location ID, Site/School Name, Site Status, Institution Type, Primary Phone Number, Fax Number, Entity Notification Email, Physical Address, Mailing Address on the Dashboard and by selecting Site Management.

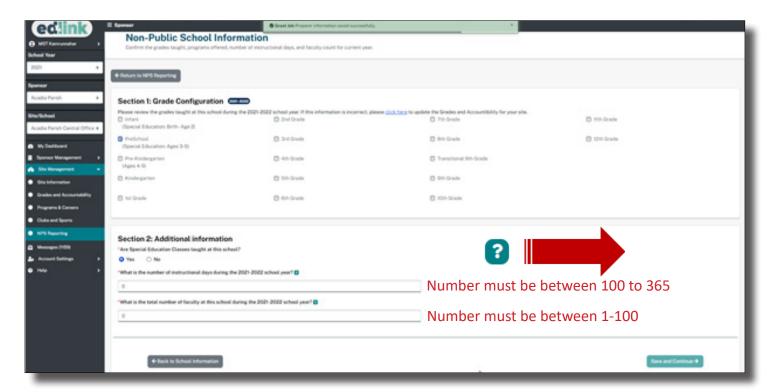


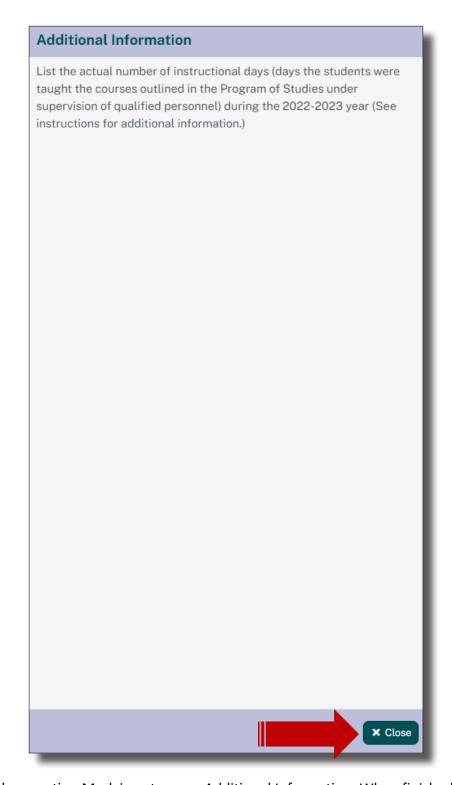


If user selects "No", then entry fields will display and user will need to complete all required information. Validation should follow previously established guidelines for Name/contact info.

Preparer information will default to "Yes". No information displayed below these radio buttons unless "no" is selected. Preparer section will either use the current user's information or allow them to enter a different person's details.

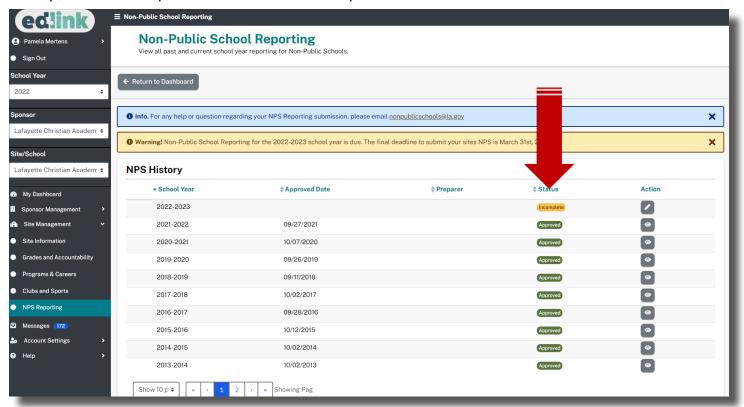






Select the question Mark icon to open Additional Information. When finished, close.

If you navigate away from the report, the NPS History page will reflect a new status; from Not Started to Incomplete. Select the pencil icon to return to the report.



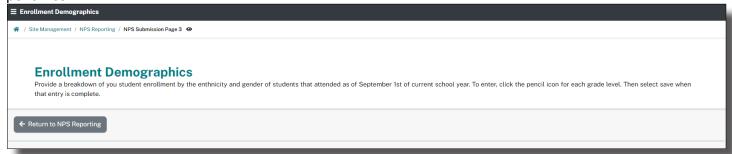
The Site/School Manager will have the ability to submit Enrollment Demographics information for NPS Reporting to meet the requirement for submitting the Site's data for the respective year.

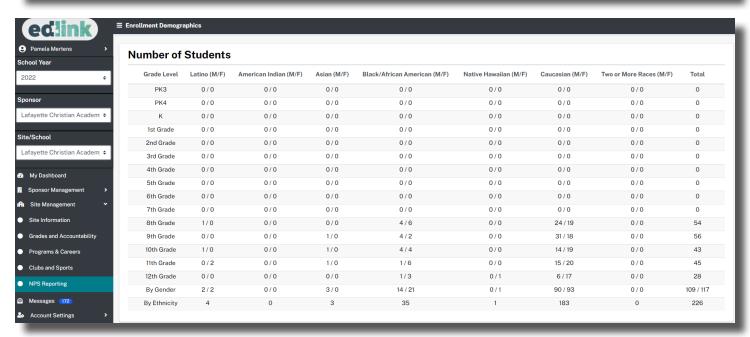
- School Manager will be navigated to Return to Application Home by selecting the button.
- The "Number of Students" grid will be displayed.
- If a grade was not selected in the previous page (grade configuration), it will automatically default all entries in that grade row to "zero" (Note: they will still be editable).
- School Manager will have the ability to select a grade to complete the data entry by selecting the + icon. Once clicked the details of the grade will be displayed on bottom of page for entry.
- The following details will be displayed: Hispanic/Latino, American Indian or Alaskan, Asian, Black/African American, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, Caucasian, Two or more Races and Totals by Grade.
- Results will be displayed for each category by gender (male or female). All fields are editable excluding "Totals by Grade".

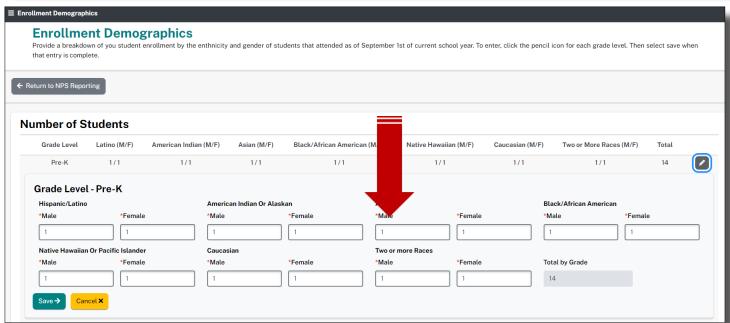


Enrollment Demographics

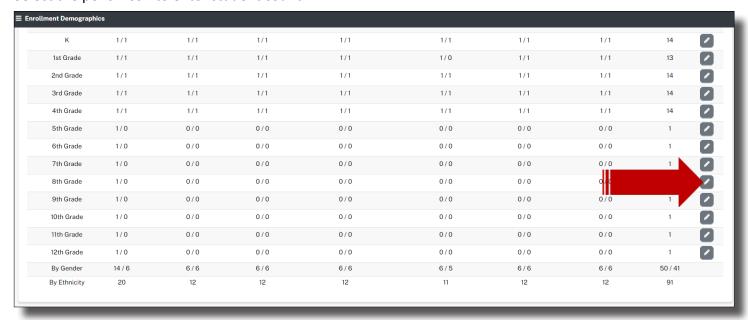
The current data was uploaded from your previous year report. To edit the data for the new year, select the pencil icon.

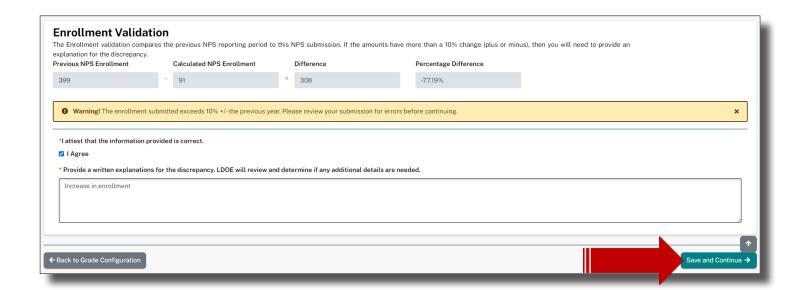






The Site/School Manager will have the ability to submit Graduation Rates by Ethnicity and Gender for NPS Reporting to meet the requirement for submitting the Site's data for the respective year. Select the pencil icon to enter student count.





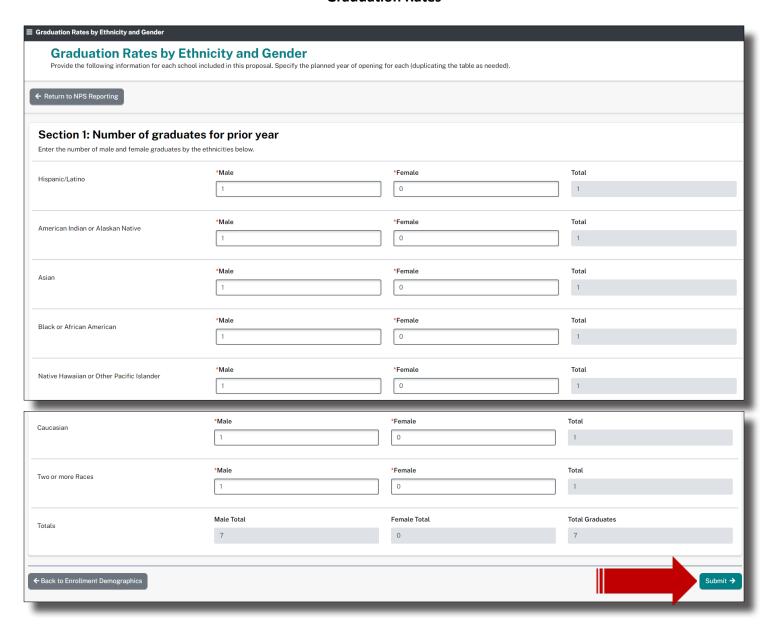
Data will be saved by selecting the Save button. If all fields are entered (even if zero) then a green check mark will be displayed to the left of that row.

Note: rows that were previously filled with zeros in AC3 will receive green checks. A School Manager can may edit (icon will change to pencil after completed) a row if needed, but the entry will require that all fields contain data before saving. A School Manager can cancel, but no new data will be saved.

- Enrollment Validation Section: Enrollment Validation will display metrics if there are discrepancies (more than 10% +/-) between this submission and the previous year's submission.
- Previous NPS Enrollment, Calculated NPS Enrollment, Difference, and Percentage Different will be displayed on the screen (and be disabled)
- If there is a discrepancy with data submission, A warning message will be displayed to review submission information
- The School Manager will be required to provide an explanation for the discrepancy
- For new schools without previous enrollment data, do not display Enrollment Validation Section
- School Manager will be required to attest submission information by selecting the "I Agree" check box
- Save and Continue button will be disabled until the School Manager answers the required questions
- The School Manager will be navigated to the next page by selecting Save and Continue button
- The School Manager will be navigated back to Grade Configuration page by selecting the button
- If no students are listed for the 11th and 12th grade the 'back and forward' button at the bottom of the page will be shown as "Back to Grade Configuration" and "Submit". Otherwise, a School Manager will continue to Pg 4 of the process flow. If submitted, the status will

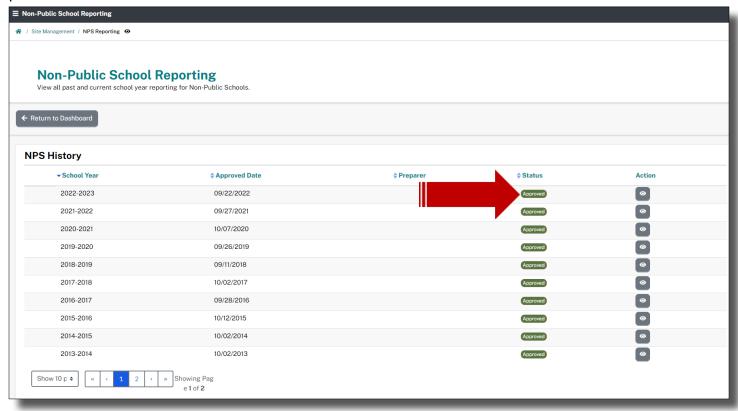


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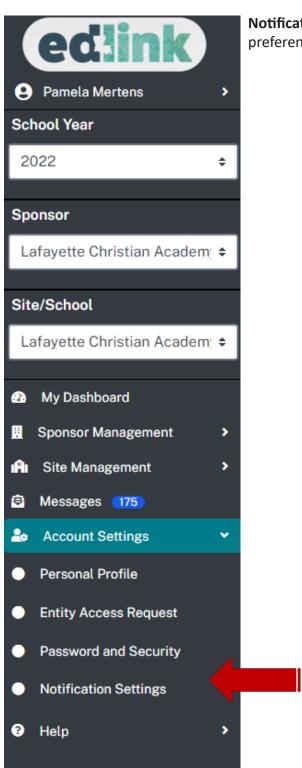


Status Change

After you have submitted the Report, the status will change to Approved. Select the eye icon to view the report.



Notifications and settings



Notifications Settings include, delivery methods and notification preferences for emails, tasks and notifications within Edlink.

■ Notification Settings	
Notification Settings Review or update your notification preferences below.	
Delivery Methods	
Allow notifications by email	Email Address
No	pamela.k.mertens@gmail.com
Allow text notifications by text message	Text Message
No	‡
	Carrier charges may apply for text messages
Allow notifications by mail	Mailing Address
€ No	1201 N River Rd , , Baton Rouge, LA
Notification Preferences	
Toggle all notifications	No
Reminders	
Annual Certification (Due in 30 days)	No
Licensing Expiration (Due in 30 days)	No
Upcoming Training Session (starts in 2 days)	No
New Messages	
Task is assigned to me	No
Message response	No
System messages	No
Changes to my records	
Professional profile updated	No
Personal profile updated	No
Pending change expiration	No

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