

REPORT TO THE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION



2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT ON TYPE 2, 4, AND 5 CHARTER SCHOOLS

FROM THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

INTRODUCTION

Charter schools are public schools in Louisiana that are afforded with autonomy from many of the laws and regulations that govern traditional school districts; charter school leaders have broad authority to make decisions about curriculum, staffing, and budgets based on the students enrolled in their schools. In exchange for this increased autonomy, charter schools agree to be held to higher standards of accountability. Charters authorized by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) are evaluated against rigorous and transparent performance standards; the academic, financial, and organizational performance of each school is evaluated annually and factored into charter extension/renewal determinations. Academic performance standards become more rigorous over time, reflecting the state’s expectation that charters continue to improve student performance.

There are six types of charter schools in Louisiana, outlined in the table below. The local school district is the authorizing agency for Type 1, 3, and 3B charters. The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) is directly responsible for the oversight of Type 2, 4, and 5 charter schools.

Charter Type	Creation	Authorizing Agency	Governance	Total # of Schools in 2021-2022	Students served in 2021-2022
Type 1	New School	Local school board	Non-profit Board of Directors	36	26,018
Type 2	New or conversion school	BESE	Non-profit Board of Directors	40	26,815
Type 3	Conversion school	Local school board	Non-profit Board of Directors	17	11,919
Type 3B	Former Type 5 charter school transferred from RSD back to local school system	Local school board	Non-profit Board of Directors	39	24,833
Type 4	New or conversion school	BESE	Local School Board	1	392
Type 5	Recovery School District school	BESE	Non-profit Board of Directors	7	2,858

CHARTER SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY

The [Charter School Performance Compact \(CSPC\)](#) is an agreement between the LDOE and Type 2, 4, and 5 charter schools that defines the academic, financial, and organizational performance standards to which all charter schools are held. The CSPC was developed as a collaborative effort between schools and the LDOE in an effort to provide greater transparency and accountability about charter school performance for charters, authorizing agencies, and the public.

The Charter School Performance Compact evaluates each school's performance against predetermined standards that are aligned with federal and state laws and regulations as well as best practices for charter schools. Each year, the LDOE compiles and publishes an annual review for each BESE-Authorized charter that quantifies the school's academic, financial, and organizational performance. The Academic Performance Score mirrors the School Performance Score received by all public schools in the state. Financial performance is evaluated using the Fiscal Risk Assessment and annual audit submitted by charter schools. Organizational performance is determined by a review of a school's performance on indicators defined in the CSPC related to enrollment, special populations, and compliance with law and policy.

An overview of the academic, financial, and organizational performance for all Type 2, 4, and 5 charter schools can be found in the appendix of this report. For more information regarding charter schools, please contact charters@la.gov.

APPENDIX: CHARTER SCHOOL DATA

Appendix A: 2021-2022 Academic, Financial, and Organizational Performance for Type 2, 4, and 5 Charter Schools

School	Type	Non-Profit	District	Year Opened	Grade Level	Students Served (2/1)	2021-2022 SPS	2021-2022 Letter Grade	2020-2021 Simulated SPS*	2020-2021 Letter Grade	2018-2019 SPS	2018-2019 Letter Grade	2021-2022 Financial Performance	2021-2022 Organizational Performance
Type 2														
Acadiana Renaissance Charter Academy	2	Lafayette Charter Foundation	Lafayette	2014-2015	K-12	1,651	99.7	A	90.3	N/A	91.6	A	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Advantage Charter Academy	2	Louisiana Achievement Charter Academies	East Baton Rouge	2014-2015	K-8	473	75.1	B	60.2	N/A	53.7	D	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish	2	Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish	Jefferson	2018-2019	K-8	1,159	51.6	D	39.7	N/A	43.6	F	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Avoyelles Public Charter School	2	Avoyelles Public Charter School, Inc.	Avoyelles	2000-2001	K-12	694	100.4	A	101.8	N/A	102.2	A	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Belle Chasse Academy	2	Belle Chasse Academy, Inc.	Plaquemines	2002-2003	K-8	848	98.8	A	97.7	N/A	94	A	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Collegiate Baton Rouge	2	Collegiate Academies	East Baton Rouge	2017-2018	9-12	414	50.8	D	36.7	N/A	64.1	C	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
D'Arbonne Woods Charter School	2	D'Arbonne Woods Charter School, Inc.	Union	2009-2010	K-12	973	93.3	A	90.9	N/A	93.5	A	Meets Most Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Delhi Charter School	2	Delhi Charter School	Richland	2001-2002	K-12	713	73.7	C	67.6	N/A	74	C	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Delta Charter School MST	2	Delta Charter School, Inc.	Concordia	2013-2014	K-12	463	62.2	C	67.8	N/A	75.3	B	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
GEO Next Generation High School	2	GEO Academies EBR	East Baton Rouge	2019-2020	9-12	286	58.8	D	46.8	N/A	N/A	N/A	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations

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GEO Prep Academy of Greater Baton Rouge	2	GEO Academies EBR	East Baton Rouge	2015-2016	K-8	711	66.7	C	55.4	N/A	61.3	C	Meets Most Expectations	Meets All Expectations
GEO Prep Mid-City of Greater Baton Rouge	2	GEO Academies EBR	East Baton Rouge	2017-2018	K-8	666	64.9	C	58	N/A	56	T	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Iberville Charter Academy	2	South Louisiana Charter Foundation, Inc.	Iberville	2014-2015	K-8	503	56.2	D	55.5	N/A	58.2	D	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Impact Charter School	2	Education Explosion, Inc.	East Baton Rouge	2014-2015	PK-8	402	71.1	C	64.7	N/A	55	D	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
International High School of New Orleans	2	Voices for International Business and Education	Orleans	2010-2011	9-12	389	32.7	F	54.8	N/A	71.4	C	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
International School of Louisiana	2	International School of Louisiana	Orleans	2000-2001	K-8	1,167	80	B	73.6	N/A	84.2	B	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
JCFA - East	2	JCFA	Jefferson	2013-2014	9-12	142	65.9	C	54.4	N/A	56.4	D	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectation
JCFA Lafayette	2	JCFA	Lafayette	2017-2018	9-12	60	69.6	C	59.2	N/A	N/A	N/A	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
JS Clark Leadership Academy	2	Outreach Community Development Corporation	St. Landry	2012-2013	K-2, 5-12	303	73.7	C	79.4	N/A	88.7	B	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Lafayette Renaissance Charter Academy	2	Lafayette Charter Foundation	Lafayette	2014-2015	K-12	1,120	64.3	C	62.4	N/A	65.1	C	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Lake Charles Charter Academy	2	Lake Charles Charter Academy Foundation, Inc.	Calcasieu	2011-2012	PK-8	874	74.1	C	68.5	N/A	70.9	C	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Lake Charles College Prep	2	Lake Charles Charter Academy Foundation, Inc.	Calcasieu	2014-2015	9-12	501	76.4	B	71.6	N/A	71.1	C	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations

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Lincoln Preparatory School	2	Grambling High Foundation, Inc.	Lincoln	2016-2017	K-12	645	61.6	C	59	N/A	60.1	C	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Louisiana Key Academy	2	Louisiana Key Academy	East Baton Rouge	2013-2014	K-8	445	39.8	F	37	N/A	36.3	F	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Louisiana Virtual Charter Academy	2	Community School for Apprenticeship Learning, Inc.	East Baton Rouge	2011-2012	K-12	1,920	57.9	D	59.1	N/A	56.3	D	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Lycée Français de la Nouvelle Orléans	2	Lycée Français de la Nouvelle Orléans, Inc.	Orleans	2011-2012	PK-12	1,044	80.4	B	74.5	N/A	85.3	B	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Madison Preparatory Academy	2	Community School for Apprenticeship Learning, Inc.	East Baton Rouge	2009-2010	9-12	542	86	B	82.4	N/A	85.9	B	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations
New Harmony High Institute	2	New Harmony High Institute	Orleans	2018-2019	9-12	258	53.5	D	65.8	N/A	N/A	N/A	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations
New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy	2	New Orleans Military and Maritime Academy, Inc.	Orleans	2011-2012	8-12	921	82.9	B	82.1	N/A	99.6	A	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
New Vision Learning Academy	2	New Vision Learning Academy	Ouachita	1998-1999	PK-6	224	51.8	D	51.5	N/A	66	C	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Noble Minds	2	Noble Minds	Orleans	2017-2018	K-7	130	32.9	F	39.9	N/A	N/A	N/A	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Northeast Claiborne Charter	2	Cajun Butterflies, Inc.	Claiborne	2014-2015	K-12	181	60.9	C	61.6	N/A	58.8	D	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Red River Charter Academy	2	Red River Charter Academy, Inc.	Avoyelles	2019-2020	6-11	168	48.4	F	52.9	N/A	N/A	N/A	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Southwest Louisiana Charter Academy	2	Southwest Louisiana Charter Academy Foundation, Inc.	Calcasieu	2012-2013	PK-8	657	57.7	D	51.2	N/A	56.7	D	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
St. Landry Charter School	2	St. Landry Primary School Inc.	St. Landry	2021-2022	K-5	189	46.4	F	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Meets Most Expectations	Meets All Expectations

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The MAX Charter School	2	The Maxine Giardina Charter School, Inc.	Lafourche	2007-2008	1-8	113	33.7	F	42.5	N/A	44.8	F	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
University View Academy	2	Foundation for Louisiana Students	East Baton Rouge	2011-2012	K-12	3,708	63.7	C	64.6	N/A	55.8	D	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
V. B. Glencoe Charter School	2	Glencoe Education Foundation, Inc.	St. Mary	1999-2000	PK-12	432	87.5	B	81.8	N/A	90.2	A	Meets Most Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Williams Scholar Academy	2	William Scholar Academy	Vermilion	2021-2022	6-12	95	50.2	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Willow Charter Academy	2	Louisiana Achievement Charter Academies	Lafayette	2014-2015	K-8	631	65.7	C	55.2	N/A	52	D	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations

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Type 4														
LA School for Ag Science	4	Avoyelles Parish School Board	Avoyelles	2000-2001	7-12	392	102.5	A	99.1	N/A	100.4	A	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations

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Type 5														
Capitol High School	5	Capitol Education Foundation	East Baton Rouge	2014-2015	9-12	327	54.6	D	50.9	N/A	47.7	F	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Dalton Charter School	5	Redesign Schools of Louisiana	East Baton Rouge	2014-2015	PK-5	216	46.2	F	46.4	N/A	44.9	F	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Democracy Prep Baton Rouge	5	Democracy Prep Louisiana Charter School	East Baton Rouge	2015-2016	K-8	503	37.8	F	35.3	N/A	52	D	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Glen Oaks Middle School	5	Redesign Schools of Louisiana	East Baton Rouge	2019-2020	6-8	177	37.7	F	34.6	N/A	N/A	N/A	Meets All Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Kenilworth Science and Technology Charter School	5	Pelican Educational Foundation, Inc.	East Baton Rouge	2009-2010	6-8	381	53.1	D	53.7	N/A	58.2	D	Meets Most Expectations	Meets Most Expectations
Lanier Charter School	5	Redesign Schools of Louisiana	East Baton Rouge	2014-2015	PK-5	251	53.5	D	51.7	N/A	65	C	Meets Most Expectations	Meets All Expectations
Linwood Charter School	5	Shreveport Charter Schools, Inc.	Caddo Parish	2009-2010	PK-8th	1,003	47.9	F	41.4	N/A	42.5	F	Meets All Expectations	Meets All Expectations

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