March Nonpublic Schools Webinar



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Nonpublic Schools Fall 2024 Deadlines

2024-2025 Nonpublic Schools Timeline

Item	Opens	Closes		
Annual Enrollment Report	August 1, 2024	October 15, 2024		
BESE Application	August 1, 2024	October 15, 2024		
Brumfield v. Dodd Application	August 1, 2024	October 15, 2024		
Edlink Training for School Leaders	TBA	TBA		



Nonpublic School Annual Enrollment Report

- All BESE approved nonpublic schools will be required to submit their school's 2024-2025 annual enrollment report starting August 1.
- Edlink will be the used to submit the annual enrollment report.
- Each school leader that will enter the enrollment data for PreK3, PreK4,
 K-12 and SPED 1 and SPED 2 must have access to Edlink with the NPS
 School Manager role.
- The deadline to submit your school's accurate annual enrollment report is October 15th.



2025-2026 BESE and Brumfield v. Dodd Application Migration to Edlink

- The BESE and Brumfield v. Dodd application for all nonpublic schools seeking BESE and/or Brumfield v. Dodd approval for the 2025-2026 school year will be submitted through Edlink starting August 1.
- The application must be completed in its entirety and all required documents must be uploaded in order to be considered for BESE approval.
- The deadline to submit your school's BESE application is October 15th.



2025-2026 BESE and Brumfield v. Dodd Application Migration to Edlink

- Returning BESE approved nonpublic schools are required to complete and upload their Brumfield v. Dodd Annual Compliance Report when completing the BESE application, if currently Brumfield v. Dodd approved.
- New nonpublic schools seeking Brumfield v. Dodd approval are required to complete the initial Brumfield v. Dodd Application, get it notarized and be uploaded.
- Two proofs advertising the nondiscriminatory policy must be submitted with the Brumfield v. Dodd application.



2025-2026 BESE and Brumfield v. Dodd Application Migration to Edlink

- Accredited nonpublic schools must upload their school's current accreditation letter or certification.
- Non-accredited schools must upload their completed Nonpublic School Approval Questionnaire for new or returning schools.
- All nonpublic schools must upload their city or state fire marshal inspection report.
- All nonpublic schools must upload their Department of Health and Hospitals inspection report.
- Training will be provided on the utilization of Edlink in the coming months.



Who Needs to Apply for the BESE Application?

- Current BESE approved nonpublic schools seeking continual BESE approval for the 2025-2026 school year
- Any new nonpublic school seeking BESE approval for the 2025-2026 school year



Who Needs to Apply for Brumfield v. Dodd?

- Current BESE approved nonpublic schools that desire to remain a participant in the LSP (Louisiana Scholarship Program), SCP (School Choice Program for certain students with exceptionalities), and/or the TDC (Tuition Donation Credit) program.
- Nonpublic schools seeking Brumfield v. Dodd approval for the 2025-2026 school year
- Current and new nonpublic schools desiring to partner with a STO (School Tuition Organization) such as ACE Scholarships, Arete Scholars, Aspiring Scholars, San Damiano Scholars and/or Son of a Saint.
- Nonpublic schools desiring to receive state and federal funding for the 2025-2026 school year.



Teacher Leader Summit

Registration

We're counting down the days until the annual Teacher Leader Summit – May 28th through May 30th! Join us in New Orleans for our annual professional learning conference bringing together Louisiana's birth to grade 12 educators and content experts. Public, nonpublic, and charter school educators participating in the event will share their knowledge, learn new skills, and prepare for the 2024-2025 school year. This year's Teacher Leader Summit will focus on Leading the Next Level every single day.

Registration has closed but you can register to be on the waitlist.







Ombudsman Update

State Ombudsman Friendly Reminders and Updates

- If you have questions or need clarification regarding the 2025-2026 school year allocations for federal equitable services, please contact your LEA/school district or the State Ombudsman.
- LEAs should be reaching out to schedule equitable services meaningful consultations/meetings to discuss current programs, budgets, needs Assessments and documentation for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Catholic Schools, it's time to get ready for the **NCEA Conference!** Contact your Superintendents and LEA's for leave forms, professional development travel documentation and guidelines.
- As previously stated, please attend the **Teacher Leader Summit!** It is for **ALL EDUCATORS!**

Always feel free to contact the State Ombudsman, Daphne Flentroy, if you have any questions or need clarification regarding the nonpublic federal equitable services program.



Assessment & Accountability

Interests and Opportunities Index Updates

Earn points on the Interests and Opportunities Index as part of the Scholarship Cohort Index. A failure to meet the deadlines below will result in a 0 for the Interests and Opportunities Index. The Interests and Opportunities Menu Based Approach Guidance is available in the Accountability Library.

April 8	Principals receive an email from the Department with the survey link & Jotform survey opens for indicator selection	
May 24	Jotform indicator selection closes for principals and school leaders	
May 31	Indicator validation are due from superintendents or their designee	





Scholarship Programs

Parent Survey





Parent Survey

- In an effort to improve the program and meet the needs of our stakeholders, we are conducting our annual Parental Satisfaction Survey. Please join in our efforts by encouraging your families to complete this survey.
- Parents will be emailed a web link
 (https://form.jotform.com/232964460470155) on March 18, 2024 to complete the survey online. It is important that parents complete the survey so that we can be aware of changes in the community and with the families of award recipients.

***Please remind parents to complete the survey by Friday, April 19, 2024. There are no risks to parent privacy rights by participating in the survey.



Louisiana Scholarship Program





The 2024-2025 Tuition and Fee jotform was released on March 4th.

- Schools participating in LSP for the 2024-2025 school year were required to submit a completed jotform for the upcoming year.
- This form required the submission of the following items:
 - 2024-2025 Tuition & Fees information
 - Supporting documentation (the current year information published on school website and/or handbook)
 - Signed assurance forms



- The information listed on the jotform should match the actual tuition rate and mandatory fees charged to non-Scholarship students for the 2024-2025 school year.
 - Eligible fees are standard educational fees that are charged to all students at a participating school, regardless of scholarship participation.
 Please do not list any non-eligible fees that are charged only to some students.
 - Only fees that are listed <u>directly on the jotform</u> will be considered for payment.

*Please Note: Tuition and fees charged to scholarship students cannot be higher than amounts charged to non-Scholarship students.

- LDOE approved tuition amounts provided to participating LSP schools shall not be greater than the annual MFP per pupil for the district in which the school is located.
- The nonpublic school may continue to increase tuition and fees for privately-funded students.



- All 2024-2025 Tuition and Fee Jotform were due by March 18, 2024.
 - If you did not submit a completed jotform by the deadline, your school will be paid at the 2023-2024 tuition rate on file at LDOE.
 - In the coming weeks, the Office of School Choice may reach out with questions or to request additional documentation from your school.

*If you have any questions or concerns about the Tuition and Fee Jotform, please contact our office at studentscholarships@la.gov for assistance.



Transfers





Transfer Request

Transfers are not allowed since Quarter 3 Enrollment has closed.

- The only transfers allowed after Quarter 3 are for extenuating circumstances or expulsion.
- This is done to ensure that rollover kids do not get lost or misplaced in the lottery.
- The Office of School Choice has started the beginning stages of the match and lottery process.

<u>Disclaimer:</u> No final decisions have been made at this time regarding LSP awards for the 2024-2025 school year. As a reminder, schools are <u>not</u> to tell families if they think they are eligible or ineligible. Schools that communicate this information before the release of award notifications in April 2024 will be financially responsible for the students impacted.

LSP Application Timeline

STEP	DATE
Preliminary Rosters released on the FTP	April 1, 2024
Preliminary Rosters due on the FTP	April 8, 2024
School Webinar for LSP Site Registration	April 22, 2024
Award Notification Letters and Emails	April 22, 2024
Site Registration Begins (Accept 2024-2025 LSP Award)	April 22, 2024
Parent Webinar for LSP Site Registration	April 23, 2024



School Choice Program for Students with Exceptionalities

Final Demand Reports





Final Demand Reports

- Final Demand reports were placed on the FTP on March 11th.
 - The report was placed in the FTP folder labeled "2024-25 SCP."
 - The report lists students who have applied and listed your school as their first choice.
 - Please review the final demand report and update each student's eligibility status by March 22nd.
 - You can access the FTP using this <u>link</u>.

*The demand report does not guarantee that you will be awarded these students once the lottery process is complete.



Demand Reports

- Schools will need to verify that all the student information (SSN, DOB, grade level, etc) are correct.
 - If corrections are needed, please update this information on the demand report.
- Schools are required to collect eligibility documentation for new students and review it for eligibility. All eligibility documentation was due to the first choice SCP school by March 15th.
- All documentation must be kept on file at the school.

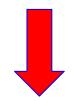
<u>Please note</u>: Documentation must be in the parent and/or guardian's name and must match the student's address listed on the application.

Continuing students do NOT need to provide eligibility documentation



Demand Reports

• Column P (red arrow) in the demand report will be used to indicate student eligibility.



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Submission Date	First Name	Last Name	Please enter Student's Social Security Number (no dashes)	Student's Date of Birth	Student's Gender	What grade is your child entering for the 2024-2025 School Year?	participate in the School	Please select the student's current SCP school.		Parent/Guardi an Full Name	an Full Name	Parent/Guardi an Email Address	Parent/Guardi an Home Phone	Parent/Guardi an Alternate Phone	Eligible	
1/26/2024	Mickey	Mouse	111002222	1/1/2024	M	4th	Yes	Disneyland Academy							Returning SCP student	*
1/26/2024	Donald	Duck	222001111	1/1/2024	M	5th	No		ABC Academy						Yes	-
1/26/2024	Minnie	Mouse	999001111	1/1/2024	F	5th	Yes	Disneyland Academy	ABC Academy						Returning SCP student	-
1/26/2024	Daisy	Duck	888771111	1/1/2024	F	8th	No		ABC Academy						No	*
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SCP Application Timeline

STEP	DATE
Final date for school to upload demand report to the FTP	March 22, 2024
Preliminary Rosters available on the FTP	April (TBD)
Preliminary Rosters due on the FTP	April (TBD)
Award Notification Letters and Emails	April 29, 2024
Site Registration Begins (Accept 2024-2025 SCP Award)	April 29, 2024

^{**}TBD-To be determined



Resources

Sign Up for Weekly Newsletters

How to receive weekly LDOE Newsletters - Go to

https://www.louisianabelieves.com/newsro om/newsletters to sign up for newsletters important for your role and to find archived newsletters.

- This <u>form</u> applies to system, charter and nonpublic newsletters.
- Important notices and materials are posted in these weekly newsletters.



Sign up to stay in touch!

Thanks for your interest in joining our mailing list. Please complete the information below and click Sign Up. * Email Address * First Name * Last Name Job Title District/Parish **Email Lists** Charter Newsletter News Releases Nonpublic Newsletter Principals Newsletter Weekly System Leaders Newsletter



Office Hours

Office hours are provided to offer one-on-one assistance for any questions you have.

- Available each week for school administrators and other school system employees
- Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Booking: https://www.picktime.com/LDEnonpublicschools
- In order to make sure that every school gets an opportunity to schedule a call, each call will be limited to 15 minutes.

Office Hours

- When booking, include a description of what you'd like to discuss during the call in the "booking notes" section of the form. This will ensure that our staff is prepared ahead of the call and can effectively use the time to address your concerns.
- If you miss your scheduled time, book a new appointment time.
- If you have any questions about Office Hours, please reach out to us at studentscholarships@la.gov for assistance.

**This service is not available to families.

Families can email questions to studentscholarships@la.gov.

Username, Passcodes, and the Unlocking Process

• If you are having a problem with your account, please always include your username and school code in the email.

 Please remember to only send one email request stating problem to studentscholarships@la.gov.



Helpful Links

Name	Link
 Passwords expire every 60 days and must be reset. If you are having a problem with your account include your username and school code in the email sent. 	https://leads5.doe.louisiana.gov/ptl
 LDOE School Choice Library Resources for Home Study, Nonpublic and Charter schools Scholarship Programs Resources Annual Reports 	https://www.louisianabelieves.com/resources/library/school-choice

Helpful Links

Name	Link
 LDOE Weekly Nonpublic Newsletter Information regarding Nonpublic and Scholarship action items The newsletter is released every Thursday at 4:30 pm. 	https://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/d.jsp?llr=rkyvy5eab&p=oi&m=rkyvy5eab&sit=urxao49fb&f=8d3c7b7c-7ae8-4bd3-8c83-c6e44e5e558c
 Louisiana Scholarship Program Information and resources for the Louisiana Scholarship Program 	https://www.louisianabelieves.com/sch ools/louisiana-scholarship-program



Nonpublic Team Contact Information

Topic	Email Support	
Louisiana Scholarship Program		
School Choice Program for Students with Exceptionalities	studentscholarships@la.gov	
Tuition Donation Credit Program		
Operations/BESE Approval/Brumfield v. Dodd Approval	nonpublicschools@la.gov	
Approved Home Study Program Nonpublic Schools Not Seeking State Approval	homestudy@la.gov	

Questions







Thank You For Joining Today's Call!

If you have any additional questions, please contact the Office of School Choice at:

studentscholarships@la.gov

