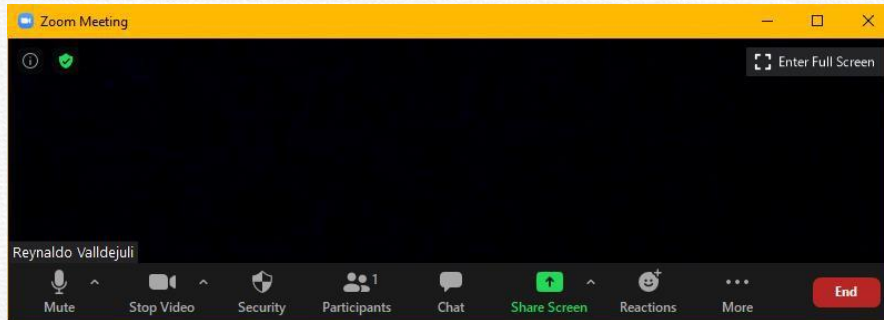


Zoom Meeting Preparation

- Please make sure your phone or computer is muted to minimize background noise.
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 - To do this, hover over the bottom left-hand side of your screen and click “Stop Video.”
- Please submit questions during the presentation in the “Chat” function located on the bottom of your screen.



If you require an interpreter or have other accessibility needs for future LDOE meetings, please contact LDOEcommunications@la.gov.



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October Nonpublic Webinar

October 18, 2023

Agenda

- Important Dates and Deadlines
- Quarter 2 Enrollment SCP
- Deadlines
- Nonpublic Scholarship Systems User Guide
- Louisiana Scholarship Program
 - Notice of Intent
 - Transfers/Declined Awards
- School Choice Program
 - Notice of Intent
- Resources



Important Dates and Deadlines

| Date | Item | Participants |
|-------------|---|--|
| October 27 | Final Date for SCP Transfers | SCP Schools |
| October 31 | Notice of Intent (NOI) for Louisiana Scholarship Program and School Choice Program Closes | Nonpublic schools actively participating or wishing to participate in LSP and/or SCP |
| November 3 | SCP Q2 Enrollment Opens | SCP Schools |
| November 7 | SCP Q2 Enrollment Closes | SCP Schools |
| December 4 | LSP School Application Webinar | LSP Schools |
| December 5 | LSP Parent Application Webinar | LSP |
| December 11 | LSP Application Opens | LSP Schools |
| January 19 | Application Closes | LSP Schools |



QUARTER 2 ENROLLMENT

SCP Schools
November 3-7



DEADLINES

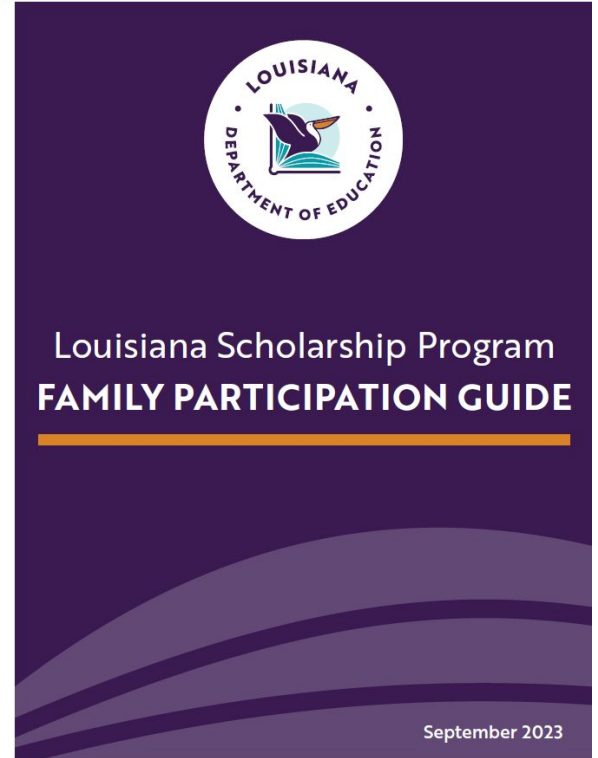


LSP Family Participation Guide

This ***NEW*** resource guide contains information that:

- helps provide an overview of the LSP requirements and guideline for families
- provide in-depth guidance on the Louisiana scholarship program processes.
- updated to contain information about the requirements for the 2024-2025 school year.

You can access the guide using this [link](#).





Louisiana Scholarship Program



Notice of Intent

Notice of Intent

- The Notice of Intent (NOI) is submitted to the Department each year in the fall to participate in our scholarship programs and request ***NEW*** seats for the upcoming school year.
- Schools must complete NOIs for each scholarship program even if no new seats are being requested for the upcoming year.
- The NOI will collect information including (but not limited to):
 - Number of available scholarship seats per grade
 - *This does not include returning or transfer students*
 - This is meant to include students who are new to the scholarship program
 - Enrollment Preferences (NSECD, Geographic)
 - Any Special Education services provided
 - Tuition and Fee Amounts (**only for SCP schools**)
 - **Both NOIs will be available on October 1 via Jotform:**
 - An email will be sent to you directly with the link
 - The link will be posted on the website
 - The link will also be available in the weekly newsletter until October 31



Notice of Intent-LSP

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2023-24 Louisiana Scholarship Program Notice of Intent



Information about the Louisiana Scholarship Program can be found [here](#).

To be eligible to participate in the program and accept eligible students for enrollment in the program, a nonpublic school must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Be a BESE-Approved Nonpublic School
2. Comply with the non-discrimination criteria set forth in Brumfield, et al. v. Dodd

Additionally, starting in 2021-22, schools that were not previously participating in the program must also be accredited or provisionally accredited, per [LA HB280](#).

Please note that new schools applying for BESE approval will be considered on a contingent basis, pending approval.

- The link to the Notice of Intent will be provided to you via email from studentscholarships@la.gov.
- Refrain from using links provided in previous years.
- To ensure that you have accessed the right form, make sure that it has the upcoming year and program name along with the agency letterhead at the top. (Red arrow)
- Schools that are applying for BESE approval may apply to participate in our scholarship programs. However, participation will be granted on a contingent basis pending BESE approval.



Notice of Intent-LSP



Thank You!

Your submission has been received. If you have any additional questions, please contact studentscholarships@LA.gov.

- Once you hit submit, you will see this screen to indicate that we have received your submission.
- All submissions are due on **October 31**.

If you have any issues or questions, will completing the NOI, please contact our office at studentscholarships@la.gov for assistance.





Transfer Requests

Transfer Requests

- Families seeking to transfer a Scholarship award for the current school year must complete this form together with the awarding school.
- In order to submit a request to transfer an award, students must:
 - Have an award issued by the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) for the current school year
 - Be registered at a participating LSP School
 - Not be assigned to a public school



Transfer Requests

Scholarship students who wish to transfer from one participating scholarship school to another are REQUIRED to submit a transfer request form signed by both the parent/guardian and a representative of the receiving school.

- The [LSP transfer form](#) can be found in the School Choice Library.
- Transfer forms must be completed correctly and signed by the school.
- Forms with incorrect or incomplete information will be returned.
- The receiving school that the student will be attending should submit this form to the LDOE by emailing the completed form to studentscholarships@la.gov.





Declined Awards

Declined Awards

Scholarship students who no longer wish to participate in the program must complete a [Declined Award form](#).

- **This form is NOT to be used for families requesting a transfer.**
- Once a family declines the award, the student will no longer be eligible to receive a scholarship for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year.

Declined Award forms must be completed correctly and signed by the school. Forms with incorrect or incomplete information will be returned.



Declined Awards

- **Once the award has been removed, it cannot be reinstated.**
- The family must sign the form acknowledging:
 - They are willingly choosing not to participate in the LSP program.
 - They must reapply if they would like to be considered for any future scholarship awards.
- A school representative must also sign the form acknowledging that they have informed the family of the stipulations of declining a scholarship award.



School Choice Program for Students with Exceptionalities



**Notice of Intent for School
Choice Students with
Exceptionalities**



Notice of Intent-SCP

- The link to the Notice of Intent will be provided to you via email from studentscholarships@la.gov
- **Please refrain from using links provided in previous years.**
- To ensure that you have accessed the right form, make sure that it has the upcoming year and program name at the top (Red arrow)
- Schools that are applying for BESE approval may apply to participate in our scholarship programs. However, participation will be granted on a contingent basis pending BESE approval.



2023-2024 School Choice Program for Certain Students with Exceptionalities Notice of Intent

The School Choice Program for Certain Students with Exceptionalities (SCP) empowers families of students with certain exceptionalities with the financial resources to choose the school that will best address their students' needs.

Instructions

Please follow these instructions to successfully complete and submit your school's Notice of Intent to Participate in the School Choice Program for Certain Students with Exceptionalities for the 2023–2024 School Year:

1. Review Section I: School Eligibility Requirements
2. Complete Sections II–IV to indicate information about your school and the seats your school will offer.
3. Attach documentation requested in Section V
4. Review program assurances in Section VI and sign Section VII.
5. Submit this form along with any required documentation by **October 31, 2022**.

If you encounter any issues while completing this form please contact our office at studentscholarships@la.gov for assistance

Section I: School Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible to participate in the program and accept eligible students for enrollment in the program, a nonpublic school shall meet all of the following criteria:

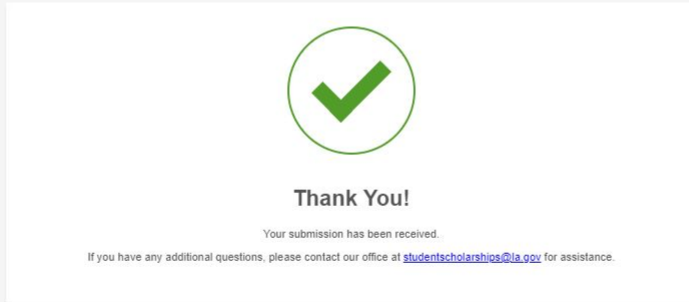
1. Approved Nonpublic School by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education;
2. Has provided educational services to students with exceptionalities for at least two years prior to participation;
3. Employs teachers that hold appropriate certification in special education;
4. Complies with the non-discrimination criteria set forth in *Brumfield, et al. v. Dodd*;
5. Operate in a parish with a recent census population greater than 190,000 persons:
 - Caddo
 - East Baton Rouge
 - Lafayette
 - St. Tammany
 - Calcasieu
 - Jefferson
 - Orleans

Additionally, starting in 2021–22, schools that were not previously participating in the program must also be accredited or provisionally accredited, per LA HB280.

**Please note that new schools applying for BESE approval in December 2022 will be considered on a contingent basis, pending state approval.*



Notice of Intent-SCP



- Once you hit submit, you will see this screen to indicate that we have received your submission.
- All submissions are due on **October 31**

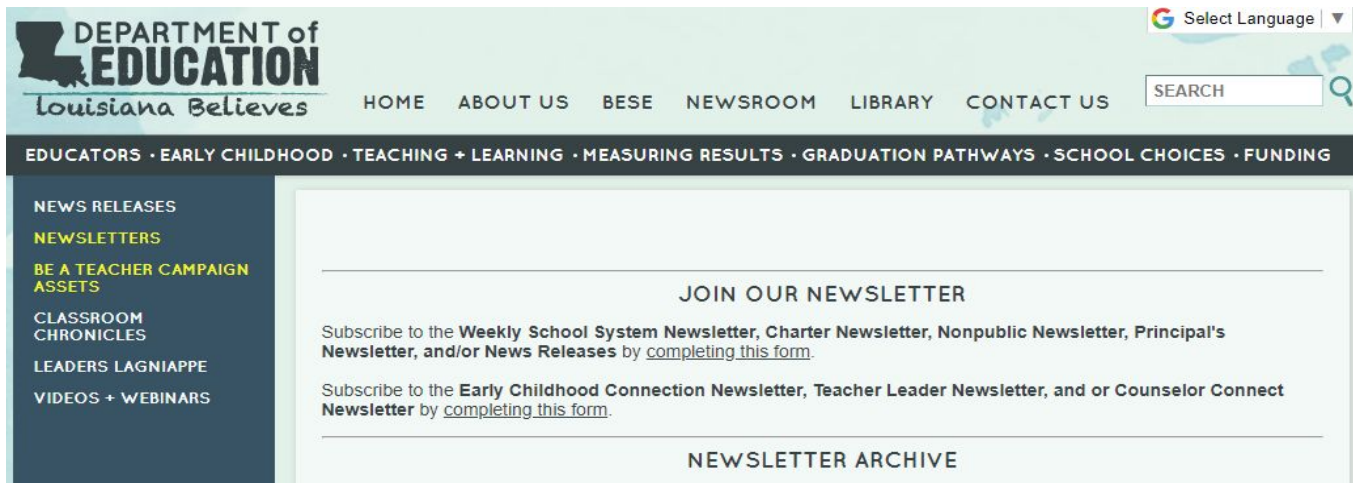
If you have any issues or questions, will completing the NOI, please contact our office at studentscholarships@la.gov for assistance.



Resources

Weekly Communications - Newsletters

How to receive weekly LDOE Newsletters - Go to <https://www.louisianabelieves.com/newsroom/newsletters> to sign up for newsletters important for your role and to find archived newsletters.



The screenshot shows the Louisiana Department of Education website. The header includes the logo "DEPARTMENT of EDUCATION Louisiana Believes" and a "Select Language" dropdown. The navigation menu contains "HOME", "ABOUT US", "BESE", "NEWSROOM", "LIBRARY", and "CONTACT US". A search bar is also present. Below the navigation is a dark banner with categories: "EDUCATORS · EARLY CHILDHOOD · TEACHING + LEARNING · MEASURING RESULTS · GRADUATION PATHWAYS · SCHOOL CHOICES · FUNDING". On the left, a dark sidebar lists: "NEWS RELEASES", "NEWSLETTERS", "BE A TEACHER CAMPAIGN ASSETS", "CLASSROOM CHRONICLES", "LEADERS LAGNIAPPE", and "VIDEOS + WEBINARS". The main content area features a "JOIN OUR NEWSLETTER" section with two subscription options: "Weekly School System Newsletter, Charter Newsletter, Nonpublic Newsletter, Principal's Newsletter, and/or News Releases" and "Early Childhood Connection Newsletter, Teacher Leader Newsletter, and or Counselor Connect Newsletter". Below this is a "NEWSLETTER ARCHIVE" link.



Sign Up for Weekly Newsletters

How to receive weekly LDOE Newsletters - Go to <https://www.louisianabelieves.com/newsroom/newsletters> to sign up for newsletters important for your role and to find archived newsletters.

- This [form](#) 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



- Newsletters include information by different LDOE Offices
- Items will specifically mention the school staff who would benefit from the information provided
- Entries and reminders draw attention to important timelines

In This Issue

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- Operations
- Assessments, Accountability and Analytics
- Career and College Readiness
- Teaching and Learning



Click School Choice link to go directly to the relevant entries.



- Special section addresses dates, times and links to monthly calls, office hours and webinars

Important Dates for School Systems

Office Hours and Monthly Calls

- Assessment and Accountability Monthly Call: [June 20 at 3:45 p.m.](#)
- Nonpublic Monthly Call: [June 21 at 2 p.m](#)
- School System Financial Support (SSFS) Monthly Call: [June 21 at 2 p.m.](#)
- Nutrition Support Monthly Call: [August 1 at 1 p.m.](#)



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/LDNonpublicschools>
- 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, you will need to 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 Unlocks

- 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 |
|--|--|
| <p><u>LEADS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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. | <p>https://leads5.doe.louisiana.gov/ptl</p> |
| <p><u>LDOE School Choice Library</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resources for Home Study, Nonpublic and Charter schools• Scholarship Programs Resources• Annual Reports | <p>https://www.louisianabelieves.com/resources/library/school-choice</p> |
| <p><u>LDOE Weekly Nonpublic Newsletter</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information regarding Nonpublic and Scholarship action items• The newsletter is released every Thursday at 4:30 pm. | <p>https://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/d.jsp?llr=rkyvy5eab&p=oi&m=rkyvy5eab&sit=urxao49fb&f=8d3c7b7c-7ae8-4bd3-8c83-c6e44e5e558c</p> |
| <p><u>Louisiana Scholarship Program</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information and resources for the Louisiana Scholarship Program | <p>https://www.louisianabelieves.com/schools/louisiana-scholarship-program</p> |



Nonpublic Team Contact Information

| FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT | EMAIL |
|---|---|
| Louisiana Scholarship Program | studentscholarships@la.gov To ensure a timely response, send one email with your questions. |
| School Choice Program for Students with Exceptionalities | |
| Tuition Donation Credit Program | |
| Operations/BESE Approval/Brumfield v Dodd Approval | nonpublicschools@la.gov To ensure a timely response, send one email with your questions. |
| Approved Home Study Program Nonpublic Schools Not Seeking State Approval | Homestudy@LA.Gov To ensure a timely response, send one email with your questions. |



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