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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Terrebonne Parish Schools are committed to providing meaningful, quality education for all students. It is upon these principles that the district has established the following:

Vision, Mission, Beliefs and Goals

... Every Student, Every Day

<u>Vision</u>: Excellence in Education with a Commitment to All

Mission: Engage, Educate and Empower Every Student, Every Day

Core Beliefs:

- Our core responsibility is to create engaging work for every student, every day as student engagement is the key to learning.
- ❖ Every student deserves to have an effective teacher, and every teacher deserves to have an effective leader.
- ❖ Effective instruction must meet the needs of **all** students, so that every child can learn at high levels.
- ❖ Given a safe and supportive environment, all students can learn.
- ❖ Parent and community collaboration is fundamental to achieving and sustaining excellence.
- ❖ We are a great school district, and we will be greater because of our commitment to high expectations.

Goals:

- 1. Students will enter Kindergarten ready to learn.
- 2. Students will be proficient in basic literacy skills in Grades K through 2.
- 3. Students will be proficient (Basic or above) on state assessments in English Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies in Grades 3-8.
- 4. Students will be proficient (Good or Excellent) on End-of-Course Exams in English II/III, Algebra I, Geometry, Biology, and U.S. History.
- 5. Students will be proficient on ACT (composite score of 18 or higher) and/or Work Keys (composite score of Silver or higher).
- 6. Eighty percent (80%) of students will graduate on time.
- 7. Students will enroll in post-secondary education or graduate workforce-ready with college credit and/or Industry Based Credentials (IBC).

New and Improved Communication Tools

Terrebonne Parish School District is online with the latest news about our school system! Please visit us at http://www.tpsd-la.schoolloop.com/.

Terrebonne Parish School District now has a Facebook page. Like us on Facebook for access to parish news and updates!

As a parent of a student in Terrebonne Parish Schools, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers who instruct your child. Federal law (No Child Left Behind) allows you to ask for certain information about your child's classroom teachers and requires us to give you this information in a timely manner. If you would like to receive any information, please contact the principal of your child's school.



Terrebonne Parish School Board 2015–2016 School Calendars



Elementary/Middle School Calendar

First Grading Period Ends	October 8	Mardi Gras (Holidays)	February 8 - 12
Fall Break*	October 9 & 12	State Testing Phase I: Grades 3-8 – Eng/Math	March 14 - 18
Issuance of Report Cards to Parents	October 16	Third Grading Period Ends	March 15
Progress Reports Issued	November 11	Issuance of Report Cards to Parents	March 21
Thanksgiving Holidays*	November 23 - 27	Spring Break (Holidays)	March 25 – April 1
Second Grading Period Ends	December 18	ACT Series for Grade 8	April 4 - 15
Christmas Holidays	Dec. 21 – Jan. 1	State Testing: Grades 3-8; Science/Soc. Stud.	April 5 - 6
Students Return to School	January 4	Progress Reports Issued	April 22
Issuance of Report Cards to Parents	January 7	State Testing Phase II: Grades 3-8; Eng/Math	April 25 - 29
Staff Development Day # 3	January 15	Fourth Grading Period Ends	May 25
Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday/Holiday	January 18	Last Day for Students	May 25
Progress Reports Issued	February 5	Last Day for Teachers/Records Day	May 26

^{*} If make-up days are needed – (Fall) October 9, 12, & November 23 / (Spring) February 10-12 will be used.

Secondary School Calendar

First Grading Period Ends	October 8	Third Grading Period Ends	March 15
Fall Break*	October 9 & 12	Issuance of Report Cards to Parents	March 21
Issuance of Report Cards to Parents	October 16	Spring Break (Holidays)	March 25 – April 1
Progress Reports Issued	November 11	ACT Series for Grades 9 & 10	April 4 - 15
Thanksgiving Holidays*	Nov. 23 - 27	Progress Reports Issued	April 22
End of Course Testing (Retesters ONLY)	Nov. 30 – Dec.16	End of Course (EOC)	April 25 – May 20
Second Grading Period Ends	December 18	Senior Final Exams	May 9 - 11
Christmas Holidays	Dec. 21 – Jan. 1	Commencement Exercises Adult Education	May 11
Students Return to School	January 4	Commencement Exercises Ellender Memorial	May 18
Issuance of Report Cards to Parents	January 7	Commencement Exercises H. L. Bourgeois	May 19
Staff Development Day # 3	January 15	Commencement Exercises South Terrebonne	May 23
Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday/Holiday	January 18	Commencement Exercises Terrebonne	May 24
Progress Reports Issued	February 5	Final Exams (Grades 9 – 12)	May 23 - 25
Mardi Gras (Holidays)	February 8 - 12	Fourth Grad. Per. Ends/Last Day for Students	May 25
ACT: Grade 11	March 1	Last Day for Teachers/Records Day	May 26
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