



# CLASS OF 2024

## PARENT MEETING

**NOVEMBER 30, 2023**





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## Important Dates for Seniors 2023-2024

| September 2023   | October 2023  | November 2023   | December 2023   | January 2024  |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sept. 9 – ACT</li><li>Sept. 22 – Sr. Supply meeting with @ 8:30AM</li><li>Sept. 29 – Senior Supply order and deposit</li><li>Review HS transcript and choose top 3 colleges</li><li>Schedule retake of ACT/SAT if necessary</li><li>Complete online college admission applications</li></ul> <p><b>**FAFSA INFORMATION WILL BE GIVEN AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE**</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Oct. 16 – End of Nine-Weeks</li><li>Oct. 19 – Report Cards</li><li>Oct. 18-19 – ACT WorkKeys testing</li><li>Oct. 23 – College and Career Fair at McNeese</li><li>Oct. 28 – ACT</li></ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nov. 1 – Northwestern priority deadline</li><li>Nov. 8 – ASVAB; sign-up with Mrs. Marcantel</li><li>Nov. 28-30 – LEAP 2025 retest for seniors needing score to graduate</li><li>Nov. 29 – Dec. 2 – McNeese finals</li><li>Nov. 29 – Dec. 5 – Sowela finals</li><li>Nov. 29 &amp; 30 – ACT WorkKeys testing</li><li>Nov. 30 – Senior Parent Meeting in cafeteria @ 5:30PM</li><li>Attend college visitation events</li><li>Request letters of recommendations if needed for colleges</li><li>Apply for housing</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Dec. 1 – LEAP 2025 retest for seniors needing score to graduate</li><li>Dec. 5 – Senior pictures (girls)</li><li>Dec. 6 – Seniors pictures (boys)</li><li>Dec. 9 – ACT</li><li>Dec. 15 – McNeese scholarship priority deadline</li><li>Dec. 15 – LSU scholarship priority deadline</li></ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Jan. 1 – LSU priority deadline</li><li>Jan. 4 – End of Nine-Weeks</li><li>Jan. 11 – Report Cards</li><li>Attendance recovery begins for absences from 1<sup>st</sup> semester</li><li>Jan. 10 &amp; 11 – ACT WorkKeys testing</li></ul>   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| February 2024  | March 2024  | April 2024  | May 2024  | ACT School Codes  |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Feb. 1 – Sowela priority deadline – separate scholarship application</li><li>Feb. 10 – ACT</li><li>Feb. 21 &amp; 22 – ACT WorkKeys testing</li><li>Feb. 28 – ULM Priority deadline</li></ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mar. 13 – End of Nine Weeks</li><li>Mar. 13-14 – DHS ACT testing for those that qualify</li><li>Mar. 18 – Report Cards</li><li>Mar. 20 – Senior Meeting @ 10:30AM</li><li>Mar. 27-28 – ACT WorkKeys testing</li><li>Mar. 28 – Local Scholarships due to Mrs. Marcantel by 3:00PM <b>NO EXCEPTIONS!</b></li><li>Senior Supply Delivery TBA</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>April 13 – ACT</li><li>April 16 – LEAP 2025 testing begins. This is the last chance to meet requirements by graduation.</li><li>April 23 – Graduation speech rough draft due by 3PM</li><li>April 29-May 2 – McNeese finals</li><li>Decide which college to attend and notify the school of your decision.</li></ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>May 3-9 – Sowela finals</li><li>May 6 – Senior Meeting @ 10:30AM</li><li>May 6 – Graduation speech tryouts @ 1:30PM</li><li>May 8 – last date to complete all requirements for graduation</li><li>May 9 – Graduation Walk @ DPS (9AM), DES (9:30AM), DMS (9:45AM)</li><li>May 14 – Last day to notify counselor's office of any awards/scholarships you have accepted.</li><li>May 17 – Graduation 7:00PM</li><li>May 31 – ULL scholarship deadline</li></ul> | <table><tr><th>University</th><th>Code</th></tr><tr><td>TOPS</td><td>1595</td></tr><tr><td>McNeese</td><td>1594</td></tr><tr><td>Northwestern</td><td>1600</td></tr><tr><td>SOWELA</td><td>5064</td></tr><tr><td>LSU</td><td>1590</td></tr><tr><td>ULL</td><td>1612</td></tr><tr><td>ULM</td><td>1598</td></tr><tr><td>LA Tech</td><td>1588</td></tr><tr><td>Lamar</td><td>4114</td></tr></table> | University | Code | TOPS | 1595 | McNeese | 1594 | Northwestern | 1600 | SOWELA | 5064 | LSU | 1590 | ULL | 1612 | ULM | 1598 | LA Tech | 1588 | Lamar | 4114 |
| University   | Code  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| TOPS   | 1595  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| McNeese  | 1594  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| Northwestern   | 1600  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| SOWELA   | 5064  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| LSU  | 1590  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| ULL  | 1612  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| ULM  | 1598  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| LA Tech  | 1588  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |
| Lamar  | 4114  |   |   |   |            |      |      |      |         |      |              |      |        |      |     |      |     |      |     |      |         |      |       |      |

To access important documents, view Senior OneNote or visit [cpsb.org/DeQuincy\\_High\\_School](https://cpsb.org/DeQuincy_High_School). Select the Counselor tab (top right corner), Senior Class Information



# ACT TEST DATES



## TEST DATES

United States, US Territories, and Puerto Rico



2023|2024

| Test Dates               | Regular Registration Deadline | Late Registration Deadline | Photo Upload and Standby Deadline |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>September 9, 2023</b> | <b>August 4</b>               | August 18                  | September 1                       |
| <b>October 28, 2023</b>  | <b>September 22</b>           | October 6                  | October 20                        |
| <b>December 9, 2023</b>  | <b>November 3</b>             | November 17                | December 1                        |
| <b>February 10, 2024</b> | <b>January 5</b>              | January 19                 | February 2                        |
| <b>April 13, 2024</b>    | <b>March 8</b>                | March 22                   | April 5                           |
| <b>June 8, 2024</b>      | <b>May 3</b>                  | May 17                     | May 31                            |
| <b>July 13, 2024*</b>    | <b>June 7</b>                 | June 21                    | July 5                            |

\*No test centers are scheduled in New York for the July test date.

Test Information Release for the 2023–2024 testing year will occur in September, April, and June.  
See [www.act.org/the-act/tir](https://www.act.org/the-act/tir) for more information.

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The April ACT is the deadline to achieve a qualifying score for TOPS.





# GRADUATION HONORS POLICY

- Must have a 3.5+ GPA

**AND**

- Earn at least 110 points in the graduation index/strength of diploma.

**Distinguished Honor Graduates** will receive an additional (gold) tassel to wear at graduation.



## Calcasieu Parish Honor Graduate Policy 2024 Graduates and Beyond

### Calcasieu Parish School System Honor Graduate Policy

The Honors GPA calculation is based on the 5.0 GPA.

#### A. Honors GPA Positions (TOPS University and Jump Start Pathway)

| Honor Distinction | GPA        |
|-------------------|------------|
| Summa Cum Laude   | 3.90-4.00+ |
| Magna Cum Laude   | 3.70-3.89  |
| Cum Laude         | 3.50-3.69  |

#### B. Graduation Index Requirements

~Students must earn at least **110 points** in the graduation index to be an **Honor Graduate**.

~Students that earn **150+ points** in the graduation index will be a **Distinguished Honor Graduate**.

| Student Results   | Points |
|---|--------|
| HS Diploma plus Associate's Degree  | 160    |
| HS Diploma plus:<br>(a) AP score of 3 or higher, IB Score of 4 or higher, or CLEP score of 50 or higher;<br>OR<br>(b) Advanced statewide Jump Start credential<br>*Students achieving both (a) and (b) will generate 160 points.  | 150    |
| HS Diploma plus:<br>(a) At least one passing course grade for TOPS core curriculum credit of the following type:<br>AP**, college credit, dual enrollment, or IB**<br>OR<br>(b) Basic statewide Jump Start credential<br>**Students achieving both (a) and (b) will generate 115 points.<br>**Students must take the AP/IB exam and pass the course to earn 110 points. | 110    |
| Four-year graduate (includes Career Diploma student with a regional Jump Start credential)  | 100    |
| Five-year graduate with any diploma<br>*Five-year graduates who earn an AP score of 3 or higher, an IB score of 4 or higher, a CLEP score of 50 or higher, or an Advanced statewide Jump Start credential will generate 140 points. Five-year graduates who earn an Associate's Degree will generate 150 points.  | 75     |
| Six-year graduate with any diploma  | 50     |
| HiSET plus Jump Start credential  | 40     |
| HiSET   | 25     |
| Non-graduate without HiSET  | 0      |





# TOPS

## OPPORTUNITY, PERFORMANCE & HONORS

### LOUISIANA'S TAYLOR OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS, "TOPS"

September 2021

For more information, call the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) at (800) 259-5626 or visit our Web site at [www.mylosfa.la.gov](http://www.mylosfa.la.gov)

| STANDARD ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS <sup>1</sup>   | AWARD COMPONENTS OF TOPS (EXCEPT TECH AWARD)  |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|
|  | OPPORTUNITY AWARD   | PERFORMANCE AWARD   | HONORS AWARD  |
| High School Grade Point Average (GPA) <sup>2</sup>   | 2.50<br>(GPA computed on core courses only)   | 3.25<br>(GPA computed on core courses only)   | 3.50<br>(GPA computed on core courses only)   |
| Core Units   | 19 <sup>3</sup>   | 19 <sup>3</sup>   | 19 <sup>3</sup>   |
| ACT Composite Score (or SAT Equivalent)  | Prior year state average <sup>4</sup>   | 23 <sup>4</sup>   | 27 <sup>4</sup>   |
| BESE-Approved Home-Study Student Eligibility <sup>5</sup>  | Currently an ACT of 22 (2 points above standard, in lieu of core units and GPA)   | Currently an ACT of 24 (1 point above standard, in lieu of core units and GPA)  | Currently an ACT of 28 (1 point above standard, in lieu of core units and GPA)  |
| Out-of-State Student Eligibility <sup>6</sup>  | Currently an ACT of 23 (3 points above standard, in lieu of core units and GPA)   | Currently an ACT of 26 (3 points above standard, in lieu of core units and GPA)   | Currently an ACT of 30 (3 points above standard, in lieu of core units and GPA)   |
| Must Enroll Full Time <sup>7, 8, 9</sup>   | As a first-time freshman, by the fall semester following the first anniversary of high school graduation  | As a first-time freshman, by the fall semester following the first anniversary of high school graduation  | As a first-time freshman, by the fall semester following the first anniversary of high school graduation  |
| Eligible Institutions <sup>10</sup>  | Louisiana public & LAICU postsecondary institutions and certain cosmetology and proprietary schools   | Louisiana public & LAICU postsecondary institutions and certain cosmetology and proprietary schools   | Louisiana public & LAICU postsecondary institutions and certain cosmetology and proprietary schools   |
| Maximum Award at Public Schools<br>*TOPS is fully funded for the 2021-2022 Academic Year   | Payment of TOPS is contingent upon appropriations by the Louisiana Legislature.   | Payment of TOPS is contingent upon appropriations by the Louisiana Legislature.   | Payment of TOPS is contingent upon appropriations by the Louisiana Legislature.   |
| Maximum Award at LAICU Institutions <sup>10</sup>  | Weighted average of prior year TOPS payments to students at public-degree granting schools  | Weighted average of prior year TOPS payments to students at public-degree granting schools  | Weighted average of prior year TOPS payments to students at public-degree granting schools  |
| RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS <sup>11</sup>   | OPPORTUNITY AWARD   | PERFORMANCE AWARD   | HONORS AWARD  |
| Maintain Steady Academic Progress<br>(Based on TOPS cumulative GPA which is calculated on all course work attempted and may not be the same as that calculated by the school.) | 2.30 with 24 - 47 Hours of Academic Credit<br>2.50 with 48 Hours of Academic Credit<br>Maintain steady academic progress at the end of all other terms (2.00 TOPS cumulative GPA) | 3.00 with 24 or More Hours of Academic Credit <sup>12</sup><br>Maintain steady academic progress at the end of all other terms (2.00 TOPS cumulative GPA) | 3.00 with 24 or More Hours of Academic Credit <sup>12</sup><br>Maintain steady academic progress at the end of all other terms (2.00 TOPS Cumulative GPA) |
| Hours Earned Per Academic Year <sup>13</sup>   | Enroll full time and maintain continuous enrollment each semester, earn 24 hours or more each academic year   | Enroll full time and maintain continuous enrollment each semester, earn 24 hours or more each academic year   | Enroll full time and maintain continuous enrollment each semester, earn 24 hours or more each academic year   |
| Award Reinstated Upon Recovery of Required GPA <sup>14</sup>   | Yes   | Yes, but reinstated as an Opportunity Award   | Yes, but reinstated as an Opportunity Award   |
| Award Limit <sup>15, 16</sup>  | 4 years or 8 semesters  | 4 years or 8 semesters  | 4 years or 8 semesters  |



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## OPPORTUNITY, PERFORMANCE, & HONORS

## AWARD AMOUNTS

**TOPS OPH ANNUAL AWARD AMOUNTS FOR 2023-24**

| Institution:   |                 | Legislatively Set<br>TOPS Annual<br>Amount                           | 2023-24<br>TOPS Annual<br>Amount(3) (5) | Fall Semester/<br>Quarter 2023-24<br>TOPS Maximum<br>Payment | Winter Quarter<br>2023-24 Maximum<br>TOPS Payment | Spring Semester/<br>Quarter 2023-24<br>Maximum TOPS<br>Payment | TOPS Stipend Amount:   |
|--|-----------------|--|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |                 | 2 Year   |   |  |   |  |  |
| Baton Rouge Community College(1)   |                 | \$3,086.08   | \$3,086.08                              | \$1,543.04   |   | \$1,543.04   | HONORS = \$800<br>PERFORMANCE = \$400<br>Annually                              |
| Bossier Parish Community College(1)  |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| Central Louisiana Technical Community Col.(1)  |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| Delgado Community College(1)   |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| L. E. Fletcher Technical Comm. Col.(1)   |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| Louisiana Delta Community College(1)   |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| LSU - Eunice   |                 | \$2,710.64   | \$2,710.64                              | \$1,355.32   |   | \$1,355.32   |  |
| Northshore Technical Community College(1)  |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| Northwest Louisiana Technical Comm. Col.(1)  |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| Nunez Community College(1)   |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| River Parishes Community College(1)  |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   | HONORS =<br>\$400/semester or<br>\$266.66/quarter/term                         |
| South Louisiana Community College(1)   |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| SOWELA Technical Comm. College(1)  |                 | \$3,214.15   | \$3,214.15                              | \$1,607.07   |   | \$1,607.08   |  |
| SU-Shreveport  |                 | \$2,618.00   | \$2,618.00                              | \$1,309.00   |   | \$1,309.00   |  |
|  |                 | 4 Year   |   |  |   |  | PERFORMANCE =<br>\$200/semester or<br>\$133.33/quarter/term                    |
| Grambling State University   |                 | \$5,139.75   | \$5,139.75                              | \$2,569.87   |   | \$2,569.88   |  |
| LSU - Alexandria   |                 | \$4,894.25   | \$4,894.25                              | \$2,447.12   |   | \$2,447.13   | LSU HSC - NO   |
| LSU - BR   |                 | \$7,462.98   | \$7,462.98                              | \$3,731.49   |   | \$3,731.49   |  |
|  | Allied Health   | \$7,673.22   | \$7,673.22                              | \$3,836.61   |   | \$3,836.61   |  |
|  | Nursing         | \$5,611.50   | \$5,611.50                              | \$2,805.75   |   | \$2,805.75   |  |
|  | Dental Hygiene  | \$5,517.00   | \$5,517.00                              | \$2,758.50   |   | \$2,758.50   |  |
|  | Dental Lab Tech | \$4,987.26   | \$4,987.26                              | \$2,493.63   |   | \$2,493.63   | LSU HSC - Shreveport   |
|  | Public Health   | \$8,858.00   | \$8,858.00                              | \$4,429.00   |   | \$4,429.00   |  |
| LSU - Shreveport   |                 | \$7,182.56   | \$7,182.56                              | \$3,591.28   |   | \$3,591.28   | LSU - Shreveport   |
|  |                 | \$5,372.29   | \$5,372.29                              | \$2,686.14   |   | \$2,686.15   |  |
| Louisiana Tech University (Quarters)   |                 | \$5,553.00   | \$5,553.00                              | \$1,851.00   | \$1,851.00  | \$1,851.00   | McNeese State University   |
| McNeese State University   |                 | \$5,147.34   | \$5,147.34                              | \$2,573.67   |   | \$2,573.67   |  |
| Nicholls State University  |                 | \$4,922.28   | \$4,922.28                              | \$2,461.14   |   | \$2,461.14   |  |
| Northwestern State University  |                 | \$5,180.00   | \$5,180.00                              | \$2,590.00   |   | \$2,590.00   |  |
| Southeastern La University   |                 | \$5,652.21   | \$5,652.21                              | \$2,826.11   |   | \$2,826.10   |  |
| SU-Baton Rouge   |                 | \$4,973.10   | \$4,973.10                              | \$2,486.55   |   | \$2,486.55   |  |
| SU-New Orleans   |                 | \$4,236.21   | \$4,236.21                              | \$2,118.10   |   | \$2,118.11   |  |
| UL - Lafayette   |                 | \$5,406.96   | \$5,406.96                              | \$2,703.48   |   | \$2,703.48   | UL - Monroe  |
|  |                 | \$5,787.52   | \$5,787.52                              | \$2,893.76   |   | \$2,893.76   |  |
| University of New Orleans  |                 | \$6,090.37   | \$6,090.37                              | \$3,045.19   |   | \$3,045.18   | Out-of-State Institutions for Hearing Impaired Students (2)                    |
|  |                 |  |   |  |   |  |  |
| Gallaudet University   |                 | \$5,718.00   | \$5,718.00                              | \$2,859.00   |   | \$2,859.00   | Rochester Institute of Tech.   |
|  |                 | \$5,718.00   | \$5,718.00                              | \$2,859.00   |   | \$2,859.00   |  |
| LAICU Institutions: Centenary, Dillard, Louisiana College, Loyola, NO Baptist Seminary, University of Holy Cross, Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Formerly OLOL), St. Joseph's, Tulane, Xavier |                 |  |   |  |   |  | All Schools (Academic Programs - including Graduate and Professional Programs) |
|  |                 | \$5,718.00   | \$5,718.00                              | \$2,859.00   |   | \$2,859.00   |  |
|  |                 | Proprietary and Cosmetology Schools                                  |   |  |   |  | Proprietary and Cosmetology Schools  |
|  |                 | \$2,380.00   | \$2,380.00                              | \$793.33   | \$793.33  | \$793.34   |  |
|  |                 | TOPS Eligible Students in a Public Graduate or Professional Program: |   |  |   |  | All Graduate Programs(4) (Semester)  |
|  |                 | \$8,858.00   | \$8,858.00                              | \$4,429.00   |   | \$4,429.00   |  |
|  |                 | \$8,858.00   | \$8,858.00                              | \$2,952.67   | \$2,952.67  | \$2,952.66   | All Graduate Programs(4) (Quarter)   |





# TOPS TECH

## LOUISIANA'S TAYLOR OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS "TOPS" TECH AWARD

December 2020

For more information call the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance at (800) 259-5626 or visit our Website at [mylosfa.la.gov](http://mylosfa.la.gov).

| STANDARD ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS <sup>1</sup>  | TECH AWARD   |
|---|--|
| High School Grade Point Average (GPA)   | 2.50<br>(GPA computed on core courses only)  |
| Tech Core Units   | 21 Jumpstart Career Path Core Units <sup>2</sup>   |
| ACT Composite Score (or SAT Equivalent)   | 17 <sup>3</sup> or higher or a silver level score on the assessments of the ACT WorkKeys system  |
| Must Enroll Full Time   | As a first-time freshman, by the fall semester following the first anniversary of high school graduation <sup>4,5</sup>  |
| Eligible Institutions   | Louisiana Technical College campuses and other public postsecondary or LAICU <sup>6</sup> schools that provide skill or occupational training and certain cosmetology and proprietary schools <sup>7</sup> |
| Maximum Award at 2- Year Public Schools   | TOPS Tech Award Amount<br>Payment of TOPS is contingent upon appropriations by the Louisiana Legislature. <sup>8</sup>   |
| Maximum Award at 4- Year Public Schools that do not offer an academic undergraduate degree at the Bachelors level   | TOPS Tech Award Amount<br>Payment of TOPS is contingent upon appropriations by the Louisiana Legislature. <sup>8</sup>   |
| Maximum Award at 4- Year Public Schools that do offer an academic undergraduate degree at the Bachelors level   | TOPS Tech Average Award Amount<br>The average of TOPS Tech payments paid to students attending public schools that do not offer a baccalaureate degree <sup>8</sup>  |
| Maximum Award at LAICU <sup>6</sup> Institutions and certain cosmetology and proprietary schools <sup>7</sup>   | TOPS Tech Average Award Amount<br>The average of TOPS Tech payments paid to students attending public schools that do not offer a baccalaureate degree <sup>8</sup>  |
| BESE-Approved Home-Study Student Eligibility <sup>9</sup>   | ACT of 19 (2 points above standard in lieu of core units and GPA)  |
| Out-of-State Student Eligibility <sup>10</sup>  | ACT of 20 (3 points above standard in lieu of core units and GPA)  |
| RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS <sup>11</sup>  | TECH AWARD   |
| Maintain Steady Academic Progress<br>(Based on the TOPS cumulative GPA which is calculated on all course work attempted and may not be the same as that calculated by the school) | 2.50 with 24 or More Hours of Academic Credit<br>Maintain steady academic progress at the end of all other terms or semesters (2.00 cumulative GPA)  |
| Hours Earned Per Academic Year  | Enroll full time and maintain continuous enrollment each semester, earn 24 hours or more each academic year <sup>5</sup>   |
| Award Reinstated Upon Recovery of Required GPA  | Yes <sup>12</sup>  |
| Award Limit   | 2 years  |

| TOPS TECH CORE CURRICULA  |   |
|---|---|
| UNITS   | COURSE  |
| 2   | English I and English II  |
| 2   | English III, English IV, AP or IB English courses, Business English, Technical Writing, or comparable Louisiana Technical College courses offered by Jump Start regional teams as approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.  |
| 1   | Algebra I; or both Algebra I, Part 1 and Algebra I, Part 2; or an applied or hybrid algebra course  |
| 3   | Geometry, Algebra II, Math Essentials, Financial Literacy, Business Math, Algebra III, Advanced Math - Functions and Statistics, Advanced Math - Pre-Calculus, Pre-calculus, or comparable Louisiana Technical College courses offered by Jump Start regional teams as approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. Integrated Mathematics I, II, and III may be substituted for Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II, and shall equal three mathematics credits   |
| 1   | Biology   |
| 1   | Chemistry I, Earth Science, Environmental Science, Agriscience I and Agriscience II (both for one unit), Physical Science, Physics, or AP or IB science courses   |
| 1   | U.S. History, AP U.S. History, or IB U.S. History   |
| 1   | Civics, Government, AP U.S. Government and Politics: Comparative, or AP U.S. Government and Politics: United States   |
| 9   | In Jump Start course sequences, workplace experiences, and credentials. A student shall complete a regionally designed series of Career and Technical Education Jump Start coursework and workplace-based learning experiences leading to a statewide or regional Jump Start credential. This shall include courses and workplace experiences specific to the credential, courses related to foundational career skills requirements in Jump Start, and other courses, including career electives, that the Jump Start regional team determines are appropriate for the career major. |
| Students may also qualify for a TOPS Tech Award by completing the high school course work constituting the TOPS core curriculum for the Opportunity, Performance and Honors Awards. |   |

- 1 - Applicable to students who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents who are eligible to apply for U.S. citizenship; graduate from Louisiana public or approved non-public high schools; and 1) are the dependent of a parent(s) who is a resident of Louisiana for at least two years prior to the month of the dependent's high school graduation; or 2) a dependent of a member of the Armed Forces who claims Louisiana as his legal residence and has filed Louisiana tax returns; or 3) who is stationed in Louisiana and completes a DD Form 2056 to become a legal resident within 180 days of reporting to Louisiana; or 4) is a student who actually resides in Louisiana while attending a Louisiana public or approved non-public high school for the period of his or her last two full years of high school culminating in graduation as certified by the high school.
- 2 - Core units may NOT be waived if not offered at the high school attended. It is the student's responsibility to acquire any such course(s) through approved correspondence or distance learning venues. Individual courses may be waived for students with exceptionalities or disabilities that prevent enrollment or successful completion.
- 3 - A qualifying score achieved on a National, International, Military, or Special ACT or equivalent SAT taken no later than April 30 and a first time qualifying score on a test taken after April 30 but before July 1 of the year of high school graduation will be accepted. Scores on tests taken after June of the year of high school graduation will not be accepted unless the student is granted an exception for a score earned on a test taken before September 30 of the year of high school graduation based on proof that the student was prevented from taking the test prior to July 1 due to circumstances beyond the control of the student and attributable to the administration of the test. For an ACT or SAT score to be considered, the student must enter code 1595 on the ACT registration form or code 9919 on the SAT registration form. The score for the writing section is NOT included.
- 4 - A qualified student who enlists and enters on active duty in the Armed Forces within one year of graduation from high school must enroll in an eligible college no later than the semester, quarter or term following the one year anniversary of separation from active duty. The veteran must not have been discharged with an undesirable, bad conduct or dishonorable discharge. A student who meets these requirements and did not previously apply must file a FAFSA so that it is received within one year of separation from active duty.
- 5 - Exceptions for "first-time freshman", "full-time" and "continuous enrollment" and/or "24 hour" requirements may be granted for demonstrated cause. Contact LOSFA or go to <https://mylosfa.la.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Exception-Request-Form2.pdf> for an application. The academic year includes the summer session.
- 6 - Non-public institutions that are members of the Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (LAICU).
- 7 - Any school with a valid and current certificate of registration issued by the Louisiana State Board of Cosmetology and that is accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the United States Department of Education, and any proprietary school with a valid and current license issued by the Board of Regents and accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the United States Department of Education.
- 8 - TOPS may not cover 100% of tuition. For a current list of TOPS Tech Award Amounts, please go to <https://mylosfa.la.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/2020-21-TOPS-OPH-Tech-Award-Calculations-41-100-7-6-20.pdf>
- 9 - If the student previously attended a Louisiana high school, he must complete a least the 11th and 12th grades of a BESE approved home study program.
- 10 - Applicable to students who graduate from an approved out-of-state high school and who meet the residency requirements (See Note 1). Students who graduate from an approved high school located outside of the United States may also qualify for a TOPS Tech Award with an ACT score of 20 or higher, if a parent(s) of the dependent student: (1) was actively engaged in work or other activity on behalf of a Louisiana employer or sponsor; (2) actually lived in Louisiana for at least the 24-months preceding the date the work or activity outside the United States began; and (3) remained a Louisiana resident through the date of the student's graduation from high school.
- 11 - Unless the applicant for an award is ineligible for federal grant aid, a FAFSA must be filed annually to be received by the state deadline of July 1st.
- 12 - Provided that the period of ineligibility did not extend for more than one year.





# TOPS TECH

# AWARD AMOUNTS

TOPS TECH ANNUAL AWARD AMOUNTS FOR 2023-24

| Institutions   | Legislatively Set<br>TOPS Annual<br>Amount | 2023-24<br>TOPS Annual<br>Amount (a) | Fall Semester/ Quarter<br>2023-24 TOPS<br>Maximum Payment | Winter Quarter 2023-<br>24 Maximum TOPS<br>Payment | Spring Semester/ Quarter<br>2023-24 Maximum TOPS<br>Payment |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| <b>TECHNICAL PROGRAMS OF STUDY (Associate of Applied Science-AAS, Career Technical Certificate-CTC, Technical Diploma-TD)*</b>   |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| <b>1 Year</b>  |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| Baton Rouge Community College(s)   | \$3,086.08                                 | \$3,086.08                           | \$1,543.04  |  | \$1,543.04  |
| Bossier Parish Community College(s)  | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| Central Louisiana Technical Community Col(s)   | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| Delgado Community College(s)   | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| L. E. Fletcher Technical Comm. Col(s)  | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| Louisiana Delta Community College(s)   | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| LSU - Eunice   | \$2,710.64                                 | \$2,710.64                           | \$1,355.32  |  | \$1,355.32  |
| Northshore Technical Community College(s)  | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| Northwest Louisiana Technical Community College(s)   | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| Nunez Community College(s)   | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| River Parishes Community College(s)  | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| South Louisiana Community College(s)   | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| SOWELA Technical Comm. College(s)  | \$3,214.15                                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$1,607.07  |  | \$1,607.08  |
| SU-Shreveport  | \$2,618.00                                 | \$2,618.00                           | \$1,309.00  |  | \$1,309.00  |
| * Unless otherwise indicated, all technical programs at all campuses of each of these schools are TOPS Tech eligible.<br>Technical programs include: Associate of Applied Science-AAS, Career Technical Certificate-CTC, Technical Diploma-TD  |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| <b>APPROVED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**</b>  |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| <b>2 and 4 Year</b>  |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| BRCC***  | Business (AS)                              | \$3,086.08                           | \$3,086.08  | \$1,543.04   | \$1,543.04  |
|  | Computer Science (AS)                      | \$3,086.08                           | \$3,086.08  | \$1,543.04   | \$1,543.04  |
|  | Criminal Justice (AS)                      | \$3,086.08                           | \$3,086.08  | \$1,543.04   | \$1,543.04  |
|  | Paralegal Studies (AS)                     | \$3,086.08                           | \$3,086.08  | \$1,543.04   | \$1,543.04  |
|  | Pre-Engineering (AS)                       | \$3,086.08                           | \$3,086.08  | \$1,543.04   | \$1,543.04  |
|  | Nursing (ASN)                              | \$3,086.08                           | \$3,086.08  | \$1,543.04   | \$1,543.04  |
|  | Surgical Technology (AS)                   | \$3,086.08                           | \$3,086.08  | \$1,543.04   | \$1,543.04  |
|  | Am Sign Lang Interpreting (AA)             | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Business (AS)                              | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Cardiopulmonary Care Science (AS)          | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
| BRCC, CLTCC, Delgado CC, L.E. Fletcher TCC, La Delta CC, Northshore TCC, N. La TCC, Nunez CC, RPCC, S. La CC, Sowela TCC   | Computer Science (AS)                      | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Criminal Justice (AS)                      | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Electrical - Elect Engineer Tech (AS)      | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Healthcare Mgmt (AS)                       | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Industrial Technology (AS)                 | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Nursing (ASN)                              | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Paralegal Studies (AS)                     | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Pre-Engineering (AS)                       | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Surgical Technology (AS)                   | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
|  | Visual & Perf Arts (AA)                    | \$3,214.15                           | \$3,214.15  | \$1,607.07   | \$1,607.08  |
| La Tech (Quarters)   | Nursing (ASN)                              | \$5,553.00                           | \$5,553.00  | \$1,851.00   | \$1,851.00  |
|  | Medical Lab Science (AS)****               | \$2,380.00                           | \$2,380.00  | \$1,190.00   | \$1,190.00  |
|  | Nursing (ASN)****                          | \$2,380.00                           | \$2,380.00  | \$1,190.00   | \$1,190.00  |
| LSU - Alexandria   | Radiologic Technology (AS)                 | \$4,894.25                           | \$4,894.25  | \$2,447.12   | \$2,447.13  |
|  | Care & Dvlpt Young Children (AS)           | \$2,710.64                           | \$2,710.64  | \$1,355.32   | \$1,355.32  |
|  | Criminal Justice (ASCT)                    | \$2,710.64                           | \$2,710.64  | \$1,355.32   | \$1,355.32  |
|  | Health Science (AS)                        | \$2,710.64                           | \$2,710.64  | \$1,355.32   | \$1,355.32  |
| LSU - Eunice   | Nursing (ASN)                              | \$2,710.64                           | \$2,710.64  | \$1,355.32   | \$1,355.32  |
|  | Radiologic Technology (AS)                 | \$2,710.64                           | \$2,710.64  | \$1,355.32   | \$1,355.32  |
|  | Respiratory Care (AS)                      | \$2,710.64                           | \$2,710.64  | \$1,355.32   | \$1,355.32  |
| LSU HSC - NO   | Dental Lab Tech                            | \$4,987.26                           | \$4,987.26  | \$2,493.63   | \$2,493.63  |
| McNesse  | Paralegal Studies (AA)                     | \$5,147.34                           | \$5,147.34  | \$2,573.67   | \$2,573.67  |
|  | Care & Dvlpt Young Children (AS)           | \$4,922.28                           | \$4,922.28  | \$2,461.14   | \$2,461.14  |
| Nicholls   | Culinary Arts (AS)****                     | \$2,380.00                           | \$2,380.00  | \$1,190.00   | \$1,190.00  |
|  | Perfumery Services (AS)****                | \$2,380.00                           | \$2,380.00  | \$1,190.00   | \$1,190.00  |
|  | Safety Technology (AS)                     | \$4,922.28                           | \$4,922.28  | \$2,461.14   | \$2,461.14  |
|  | Engineering Technology (AS)****            | \$2,380.00                           | \$2,380.00  | \$1,190.00   | \$1,190.00  |
|  | Nursing (ASN)****                          | \$2,380.00                           | \$2,380.00  | \$1,190.00   | \$1,190.00  |
| Northwestern   | Veterinary Technology (AD)                 | \$5,180.00                           | \$5,180.00  | \$2,590.00   | \$2,590.00  |
| Southeastern   | Industrial Technology (AAS)****            | \$2,380.00                           | \$2,380.00  | \$1,190.00   | \$1,190.00  |
| SU - New Orleans   | Drug & Substance Abuse (AA)****            | \$2,380.00                           | \$2,380.00  | \$1,190.00   | \$1,190.00  |
|  | Accounting (AS)                            | \$2,618.00                           | \$2,618.00  | \$1,309.00   | \$1,309.00  |
|  | Business Management (AS)                   | \$2,618.00                           | \$2,618.00  | \$1,309.00   | \$1,309.00  |
|  | Computer Science (AS)                      | \$2,618.00                           | \$2,618.00  | \$1,309.00   | \$1,309.00  |
|  | Human Services (AS)                        | \$2,618.00                           | \$2,618.00  | \$1,309.00   | \$1,309.00  |
|  | Nursing (ASN)                              | \$2,618.00                           | \$2,618.00  | \$1,309.00   | \$1,309.00  |
| SU - Shreveport  | Occupational Therapy Assisting (AS)        | \$5,787.52                           | \$5,787.52  | \$2,893.76   | \$2,893.76  |
| UL - Monroe****  |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| **Other School/Programs of Study May Become Eligible: Includes program changes approved by the Board of Regents and the Workforce Investment Council on 10-20-21. To check your School, e-mail cutserv@la.gov.   |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| ***In the event the programs listed for other LCTCS schools become available at BRCC, they are approved for TOPS Tech.   |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| ****The TOPS Award Amount for TOPS Tech eligible students who enroll in a proprietary or cosmetology school or in an associate's degree program at a school that offers a baccalaureate degree in that same program is an average of the amounts paid to TOPS Tech eligible students in all other TOPS Tech eligible programs. |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| *****The Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) program at University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM) will become a BA program, as of Spring 2024. Continuing students will be allowed to complete the OTA program, but new students will not be accepted, effective fall 2023.   |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| <b>Programs at Approved Proprietary and Cosmetology Schools</b>  |  |                                      |   |  |   |
| Proprietary and Cosmetology Schools****  | \$2,380.00                                 | \$2,380.00                           | \$793.33  | \$793.33   | \$793.34  |



## SCHOOLS/PROGRAMS THAT ACCEPT TOPS TECH

### Where Can I Use My TOPS Tech Award?

(As of 10/19/2023)

#### Enroll in Technical Programs at the following:

##### Colleges and Universities:

Baton Rouge Community College – Baton Rouge, Jackson, New Roads, Port Allen  
 Bossier Parish Community College – Bossier City  
 Central Louisiana Technical Community College – Alexandria, Cottonport, Ferriday, Jena, Leesville, Winnfield  
 Delgado Community College – New Orleans, Harvey, Metairie, Slidell  
 L.E. Fletcher Technical Community College – Houma, Thibodaux  
 Louisiana Delta Community College – Monroe, Bastrop, Farmerville, Lake Providence, Ruston, Tallulah  
 West Monroe, Winnsboro  
 Louisiana State University - Eunice  
 Northshore Technical Community College – Bogalusa, Greensburg, Hammond  
 Northwest Louisiana Technical College – Minden, Mansfield, Many, Natchitoches, Shreveport  
 Nunez Community College – Chalmette  
 River Parishes Community College – Gonzales, Plaquemine, Reserve, Sorrento  
 Southern University – Shreveport  
 South Louisiana Community College – Lafayette, Abbeville, Crowley, Cut Off, Franklin, Morgan City, New Iberia, Opelousas, St. Martinville, Ville Platte  
 SOWELA Technical Community College – Lake Charles, Jennings, Oakdale

##### Approved Academic Programs\*

###### Louisiana Tech University

Nursing (ASN)

###### Louisiana State University – Alexandria

Nursing (ASN) Medical Laboratory Science (AS) Radiologic Technology (AS)

###### Louisiana State University – Eunice

Care & Dvlpt of Young Children (AS) Criminal Justice (ASCIJ)

Nursing (ASN) Radiologic Technology (AS) Respiratory Care (AS)

###### LSUHSC – New Orleans

Dental Laboratory Technology (AS)

###### Nicholls State University

Care & Dvlpt of Young Children (AS) Culinary Arts (AS)

Petroleum Services (AS) Safety Technology (AS)

###### Northwestern State University

Engineering Technology (AS) Nursing (ASN) Veterinary Technology (AD)

###### McNeese State University

Paralegal Studies (AA)

###### Southeastern University – Hammond

Industrial Technology (AAS)

###### Southern University – New Orleans

Addictv Bhvrs Counslng & Prevention (AA)

###### Southern University – Shreveport

Accounting (AS) Business Management (AS) Computer Science (AS) Human Services (AS) Nursing (ASN)

The following approved programs may be taken at Baton Rouge Community College, Bossier Parish Community College, Central LA Technical Community College, Delgado Community College, L.E. Fletcher Technical Community College, Louisiana Delta Community College, Northshore Technical Community College, North LA Technical Community College, Nunez Community College, River Parishes Community College, South LA Community College, or SOWELA Technical Community College.

American Sign Language Interpreting (AA)

Business (AS)

Cardiopulmonary Care Science (AS)

Computer Science (AS)

Criminal Justice (AS)

Electrical-Elect. Engineer Tech (AS)

Healthcare Management (AS)

Industrial Technology (AS)

Nursing (ASN)

Paralegal Studies (AS)

Pre-Engineering (AS)

Surgical Technology (AS)

Visual & Performing Arts (AA)

##### Proprietary and Cosmetology Schools:

Academy of Interactive Entertainment – Lafayette

Aveda Institute – Baton Rouge, Covington, Hammond, Lafayette, New Orleans/Metairie

Avery James School of Cosmetology

Ayers Career College – Shreveport

Bastrop Beauty School, Inc. – Bastrop

Belbo Beauty Institute – Shreveport

Blue Cliff College – Alexandria, Lafayette, Metairie

Camelot College – Baton Rouge

Celebrity Stylist Beauty School – Monroe

Cloyd's Beauty School – West Monroe

Cloyd's Beauty School – Monroe

Compass Career College – Hammond

Cosmetology Training Center – Lafayette

Delta College, Inc. – Covington, Slidell

Delta College of Arts and Technology – Baton Rouge, Lafayette

Denham Springs Beauty College – Denham Springs

Diesel Driving Academy – Baton Rouge, Shreveport

Digital Media Institute at InterTech - Shreveport

Fortis College – Baton Rouge

ITI Technical College

Infinity College - Lafayette

John Jay Kenner Academy – Kenner



# SCHOOLS/PROGRAMS THAT ACCEPT TOPS TECH

Louisiana Academy of Beauty – Eunice  
Louisiana Culinary Institute, LLC – Baton Rouge  
McCann School of Business & Tech - Monroe  
Medical Training College – Baton Rouge  
Moore Career College – Baton Rouge  
Omega Institute of Cosmetology – Houma  
Opelousas School of Cosmetology – Opelousas  
Paul Mitchell the School – Baton Rouge, Metairie  
Pat Goins Beauty School – Shreveport  
Petra College, Inc. - Hammond  
Pineville Beauty School – Pineville  
Remington College – Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Shreveport  
Stage One-The Hair School – Lake Charles  
Unitech Training Academy – Baton Rouge,  
Lafayette, Alexandria, Houma, West Monroe, New Orleans

## **Other Schools May Become Eligible**

To check your School, e-mail [custserv@osfa.la.gov](mailto:custserv@osfa.la.gov)

\* Academic courses of study may change periodically. If one of these programs is removed from the list of approved programs **while you are enrolled**, you will be permitted to finish the program of study. You will not be permitted to begin a program after it has been removed from the list unless it becomes eligible again later and you are still eligible to receive the award.





# LA BOARD OF REGENTS MINIMUM ADMISSION STANDARDS

Sections in **BLUE** are new effective for the entering class of Fall 2023.

## Minimum Admission Standards for First-Time First-Year Students

Two-year institutions are open admission and therefore have no academic requirements for entry.

**Two-year:** Baton Rouge CC, Bossier Parish CC, Central Louisiana TCC, Delgado CC, L. E. Fletcher TCC, Louisiana Delta CC, LSU-E, Northshore TCC, Northwest Louisiana TCC, Nunez CC, River Parishes CC, South Louisiana CC, SOWELA TCC, SUSLA

No academic requirements for admission to the institution. Individual courses or programs may have academic requirements.

Admissions requirements for first-time first-year students to four-year institutions include:

- A. Completion of a High School Curriculum, AND
- B. Additional Requirements by Institution Type

**A. Completion of a High School Curriculum:** Meet requirements of one of the following four options.

|  |           |   |           |   |           |  |
|--|-----------|---|-----------|---|-----------|--|
| <b>1) 19-Unit Core<sup>1,2</sup></b>   |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| Cumulative GPA of 2.0  |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| <b>2) 17 or 18 Units of the Core<sup>1,2</sup></b>   |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| Cumulative GPA of 2.0  |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| <b>AND</b>   |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| Core GPA .5 higher than institution min.   | <b>OR</b> | ACT Composite 3 points higher than institution min. | <b>OR</b> | Institutional early college requirement with GPA .25 higher than institution min. | <b>OR</b> | Two of the three additional institutional requirements (Section B) |
| <b>3) Fewer than 17 Units of the Core<sup>1,2</sup></b>  |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| Cumulative GPA of 2.0  |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| <b>AND</b>   |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| Core GPA .5 higher than institution min.   | <b>OR</b> | ACT Composite 3 points higher than institution min. | <b>OR</b> | Institutional early college requirement with GPA .25 higher than institution min. |           |  |
| <b>4) Alternative HS Credential</b>  |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| HiSET: 15 on any subtest <b>AND</b> 4 on HiSET Essay   |           |   | <b>OR</b> | NRS: Score level 6 on NRS approved assessment                                     |           |  |
| <b>AND</b>   |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| Institution minimum ACT (applies to flagship and statewide only)   |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| <b>5) Graduation from a non-US secondary institution<sup>3</sup></b>   |           |   |           |   |           |  |
| Students must have completed a recognized secondary program comparable to a U.S. high school preparatory core. |           |   |           |   |           |  |

<sup>1</sup>TOPS Opportunity Scholarship Core HS Curriculum





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### B. Additional Requirements by Institution Type

The following requirements apply to students under the age of 25. Institutions may set different minimum admission requirements for students aged 25 and over.

| Flagship: LSU   |    |  |   |                                   |
|---|----|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| GPA on the Core at least 3.0  | OR | Associate Degree OR<br>18 early college academic credit hours with at least 2.5 GPA  | OR  | ACT at least 25 OR SAT equivalent |
| AND   |    |  |   |                                   |
| Meets minimum placement requirements for standalone mathematics AND English (AA 2.18)         |    |  |   |                                   |
| Statewide: LA Tech, UL Lafayette, UNO   |    |  |   |                                   |
| GPA on the Core at least 2.5  | OR | Associate Degree OR<br>15 early college academic credit hours with at least 2.25 GPA | OR  | ACT at least 23 OR SAT equivalent |
| AND   |    |  |   |                                   |
| Meets minimum placement requirements for standalone mathematics AND English (AA 2.18)         |    |  |   |                                   |
| Regional: LSU-A, LSU-S, McNeese, Nicholls, Northwestern, Southeastern, UL Monroe              |    |  |   |                                   |
| GPA on the Core at least 2.0  | OR | Associate Degree OR<br>12 early college academic credit hours with at least 2.0 GPA  | OR  | ACT at least 20 OR SAT equivalent |
| AND   |    |  |   |                                   |
| Meets minimum placement requirements for a standalone mathematics OR English course (AA 2.18) |    | OR   | Meets minimum placement requirements for a two-hour-corequisite mathematics OR English course (AA 2.18) |                                   |
| HBCU: Grambling, Southern BR, Southern NO   |    |  |   |                                   |
| GPA on the Core at least 2.0  | OR | Associate Degree OR<br>9 early college academic credit hours with at least 2.0 GPA   | OR  | ACT at least 20 OR SAT equivalent |





# SAMPLE SENIOR RESUME

- Student should provide a copy of his/her resume when asking for a letter of recommendation.
- Letters of Recommendation should be requested in a timely manner.

## **Jane Doe**

Senior – DeQuincy HS

GPA – 3.9523

Rank – 5 out of 85

### **Extra – Curricular Activities:**

- Basketball – 4 years
- Softball – 4 years
- Track – 2 years
- Band – 4 years

### **Clubs/Organizations:**

- Fellowship of Christian Athletes – 4 years
- Science Club – 2 years
- Future Teachers of America – 3 years
- Beta Club – 3 years
- National Honor Society – 3 years
- Student Council – 3 years

### **Leadership Positions:**

- President of Freshman Class
- Vice President of Student Council – 1 year
- President of Sophomore Class
- President of Senior Class
- Treasurer of Beta Club
- Captain of the Basketball Team/Senior year

### **Community**

- Member of The United Methodist Church
- Active member of the Methodist Youth Program
- Participant in Relay for Life – 3 years

### **Community - Continued**

- Volunteer at the Community Life Center
- Volunteer at McNeese State University
- Tutor Elementary children on Tuesday and Thursdays from 5:30 – 6:00 at the Substance Abuse Center

### **Awards/Recognition:**

- Honor Roll Award – 3 years
- Honesty & Integrity Award
- All District – 1<sup>st</sup> Team – 2 years
- All State – 1<sup>st</sup> Team – 2 years
- Most Spirited Award – Jr. Year
- Student of the Year Nominee
- Student Council award
- DARE Role Model







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### SENIOR CALENDAR

Seniors, there are lots of important dates and deadlines included in the calendar. Please see Mrs. Justilien or Mrs. Marcantel if you have any questions.

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### STAY CONNECTED





# SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Scholarship application and documentation needed. Mark box to show completion.

- ☐ Alma Smith Contact Club
- ☐ Chris Mueller Memorial
- ☐ Class of 1959
- ☐ Class of 2007
- ☐ DHS Alumni
- ☐ DeQuincy Chamber of Commerce
- ☐ DeQuincy Civic Club
- ☐ DeQuincy Federated Service League
- ☐ DeQuincy Memorial Hospital Auxiliary
- ☐ DeQuincy Memorial VFW Auxiliary Post 3802
- ☐ Eastern Star
- ☐ Eye of the Tiger
- ☐ Friendship Club
- ☐ Harry Hooker Memorial Scholarship
- ☐ Jacob Dietz Memorial Scholarship
- ☐ Jamie Cooper
- ☐ Joy Mitchell Memorial
- ☐ Martin Luther King Jr.
- ☐ Myles of Memories
- ☐ Rotary Club
- ☐ Shearman Foundation Scholarship
- ☐ Sheldon Sellers
- ☐ The Pentecostal Church

Scholarship application must be complete and have all the necessary documents included before submitting to Mrs. Marcantel. Only completed applications will be accepted.

By signing below, you are agreeing all documents needed are complete.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_





# FAFSA INFORMATION FROM WEBSITE



## Launch of the 2024–25 FAFSA® Form

There are major changes and improvements coming to the 2024–25 *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form. This redesigned and streamlined FAFSA form will be available by Dec. 31, 2023.

### What You Can Do Now

- Didn't submit a 2023–24 FAFSA form? Make sure to [create your StudentAid.gov account](#)—and remember your username and password so you can access and submit the 2024–25 FAFSA form when it's available.
- [Find out if your parent\(s\) or spouse will need to be contributors](#) (contribute their info on your FAFSA form).
- If your parent(s) or spouse will need to contribute to your form, make sure each contributor [creates their own StudentAid.gov account](#). Even if a contributor doesn't have a Social Security number, they will be able to create an account when the 2024–25 form goes live.
- Watch our [“Preparing for the FAFSA Form”](#) [🔗](#) playlist to understand what information and documents you'll need to fill out the FAFSA form.







# FSA ID WORKSHEET

## FSA ID WORKSHEET

Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*, requires each graduating high school senior in a Louisiana public high school complete and submit either the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)* or sign a waiver. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be completed to receive TOPS or TOPS Tech.

1. The student and one parent will each need a FSA ID username & password.
2. Items needed to create your FSA ID: Social Security Number & Name (as printed on your SS Card), personal email address, cell phone number.
3. Create your student and Parent FSA ID Username & Password at [WWW.STUDENTAID.GOV](http://WWW.STUDENTAID.GOV)
  - a. Student and parent cannot use the same email address or cell phone number.
  - b. Students should not use their school email.
4. It is important to verify your email address and cell phone number.
5. Your FSA ID will be needed annually for FAFSA/TOPS/TOPS Tech renewal.
6. Store a photo of your completed worksheet on your phone for easy access.

### SENIOR: FSA ID Information

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| Student Username: 6 to 30 characters; combination of letters (upper & lowercase) & numbers   |  |
| Student Password: 8 to 30 characters; combination of letters (upper & lowercase), numbers, & special characters  |  |
| Save Key:  |  |
| Email Address: (not school email)  |  |
| Cell Phone Number:   |  |
| Challenge Questions/Answers:   |  |
| 1.   |  |
| 2.   |  |
| 3.   |  |
| 4.   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have verified my Cell Phone Number by entering the secure code that was sent to me in a text.<br><input type="checkbox"/> I have verified my Email Address by entering the secure code that was sent to me in an email. |  |

### PARENT: FSA ID Information

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| Parent Username: 6 to 30 characters; combination of letters (upper & lowercase) & numbers  |  |
| Parent Password: 8 to 30 characters; combination of letters (upper & lowercase), numbers, & special characters   |  |
| Save Key:  |  |
| Email Address: (not the same as student)   |  |
| Cell Phone Number:   |  |
| Challenge Questions/Answers:   |  |
| 1.   |  |
| 2.   |  |
| 3.   |  |
| 4.   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have verified my Cell Phone Number by entering the secure code that was sent to me in a text.<br><input type="checkbox"/> I have verified my Email Address by entering the secure code that was sent to me in an email. |  |





# Thank you for coming!



## GRADUATION

# MAY 17, 2024