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February 17, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As parents, we know concern for your child's success in school is of the utmost importance. We, the Central Office Staff, along with the faculty of Lowery Middle School, share those concerns. We have been working hard to provide the administrators and teachers strategic support to create high quality learning experiences for the students at Lowery Middle. As a result, student achievement is increasing. To further enhance student achievement, the Ascension Parish School System is offering several choices to parents of students at Lowery Middle School. We are offering extra time and support for students beyond regular school hours. Even though Lowery Middle School has made progress relative to growing students and improving student proficiency in many areas, it has not yet met state standards for overall performance, thus requiring our district to offer an alternative educational setting for any parent who wants another school option for their student. We are providing parents with the opportunity to choose to have their child attend Prairieville Middle School with transportation provided. However, as a parent you can elect to enroll and transport your child to any middle school that received a school performance letter grade of A, B, C for the most recent school year providing the school selected has sufficient capacity at the appropriate grade level.

We want to partner with you in your child's education. We encourage you to continue to remain actively involved in your child's learning by regularly monitoring homework, class work, and tests that come home. Maintain close communication with your child's teacher in person and/or by writing. Ask questions if you see no work or tests coming home or if your child is not progressing. Above all, call your school principal whenever you feel that you need help.

If you wish to exercise the option for your child to attend Prairieville Middle School or another middle school that has sufficient capacity at the appropriate grade level, **please complete the online google form or the attached form and return it to the Ascension Parish School Board Office by Tuesday, March 28, 2023.** Transportation to Prairieville Middle School will be provided until such time as its letter grade designation changes at Lowery Middle School. If you need any questions answered before March 28th, please contact Michael Hilton, Principal, at 391-7550. The option to choose an alternate school for the 2023-2024 school year will only be available through Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

There will be an informational meeting at Donaldsonville Primary School for parents who select the option for their children to attend another school on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Alexander', is written over a light grey rectangular background.

David Alexander
Superintendent