



## St. Mary Parish School System 23-24 School Performance Scores Released

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Earlier today, the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) released school and district performance data for the 2023-2024 school year. Through the hard work and dedication of our faculty and students, the St. Mary Parish School System district performance score of 82.6 (B) demonstrates growth of two points over the previous score of 80.6 and is higher than the state average of 80.2.

Individual school growth can be noted across the St. Mary Parish School System. While elementary and middle school scores are mainly based on LEAP 2025 scores, high school scores are based on a combination of LEAP scores, ACT scores, graduation rates, and graduation index.

Notable improvements were observed at 14 of the 21 schools, with Julia B. Maitland Elementary and Wyandotte Elementary leading the way, showing impressive growth of 15 points and 11.2 points, respectively. Currently, 85.7% of the students in the St. Mary Parish School System are attending schools rated “A”, “B”, or “C.” The district is home to four “A” schools, including Franklin High (98.2), Patterson High (95.8), Berwick High (95.1), and West St. Mary High (93.1). Additionally, there are eleven “B” schools, such as Morgan City High (88), Wyandotte Elementary (85.5), Bayou Vista Elementary (85.1), Berwick Elementary (84.7), Centerville High (81.4), Berwick Junior High (80.9), B. Edward Boudreaux Middle (79.5), Patterson Junior High (78.1), Raintree Elementary (77.8), Hattie A. Watts Elementary (76.3), and J. S. Aucoin Elementary (75.3). The district also has three “C” schools: Julia B. Maitland Elementary (70.1), Franklin Junior High (69.1), and M. E. Norman Elementary (67.7).

A critical component of the LDOE accountability system reviews student progress in each school. Essentially, what was the actual growth compared to the state expected growth of the student population? All 21 school sites earned a “C” or better in student progress with twelve “A” schools, eight “B” schools, and one “C” school.

Ten schools in the St. Mary Parish School System have earned the prestigious *Top Gains* designation for showing exceptional growth on state assessments. To receive this honor, schools must demonstrate growth that surpasses the state's pre-determined growth goals. Congratulations to B. Edward Boudreaux Middle, Bayou Vista Elementary, Berwick Elementary, Franklin Junior High, Hattie A. Watts Elementary, J.S. Aucoin Elementary, M.E. Norman Elementary, Raintree Elementary, W.P. Foster Elementary, and Wyandotte Elementary Schools.

Three schools, Franklin High, Patterson High, and West St. Mary High, have been recognized as *Opportunity Honorees* for their outstanding performance in supporting students from LDOE designated subgroups. This honor is awarded to schools that rank in the top 10% for performance among Students with Disabilities, English Learners, or Economically Disadvantaged students.

“We are deeply grateful to all stakeholders in St. Mary Parish,” said Superintendent Fegenbush. “The collective effort and dedication to improving student outcomes are clearly reflected in our gains. While a single letter grade or score doesn’t fully capture a school’s success, we will use this data to provide targeted support to schools that showed any decline. We recognize there is still work to be done. These scores, combined with the research-based instructional strategies being implemented district-wide, will guide our ongoing efforts to ensure sustained improvement.”

A link to the full report release can be viewed from the [LDOE website](#).