

ANNUAL REPORT

Calcasieu Parish School Board





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SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS



**PHYLLIS
AYO**

Election District 11



**SHAWN
BAUMGARTEN**

Election District 15



**BILLY
BREAU**

Election District 13



**RUSSELL
CASTILLE**

Election District 12



**MARY "SISTER"
FONTENOT**

Election District 4



**GLEND
GAY**

Election District 3



**DAMON
HARDESTY**

Election District 9



**KAREN HARDY
McREYNOLDS**

Election District 2



**AARON
NATALI**

Election District 1



**TONY
O'BANION**

Election District 10



**PATRICK
PICHON**

Election District 5



**DEAN
ROBERTS**

Election District 6



**ERIC
TARVER**

Election District 8



**DESMOND
WALLACE**

Election District 14



**DR. BETTY
WASHINGTON**

Election District 7

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear CPSB Families and Friends,

Every school year tells a story, and the 2024-2025 year was one filled with resilience, growth, and incredible moments of pride for Calcasieu Parish. As we reflect on the year behind us, we are reminded once again that the true strength of our district is found in the people who fill our classrooms, hallways, and community spaces every day.

Our students showed us what perseverance looks like, meeting challenges with determination and celebrating achievements both big and small. Our teachers poured their creativity, care, and expertise into every lesson, while our staff worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure schools ran smoothly and safely. Our families and community partners continued to stand by us, offering support that made all the difference. Together, you are what makes CPSB so special.

What excites me most is what lies ahead. A new school year is always a fresh start, an open door to new ideas, new opportunities, and new milestones waiting to be reached. We are committed to building on our progress by providing safe, engaging learning environments, supporting our educators, and helping every student grow into their fullest potential.

I want to thank you, parents, staff, students, and community members, for walking alongside us in this journey. Your trust, encouragement, and partnership fuel the work we do. With your continued support, I know the best chapters of our story are still to come.



A stylized, handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jason".

DR. JASON VANMETRE
CPSB SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS



OUR MISSION

Building Foundations for the Future

OUR VISION

Alignment | Ownership | Streaming | Technology | Work Ethic |
Innovation | Critical Thinking | Creativity

STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS



Prioritize student learning, development and achievement



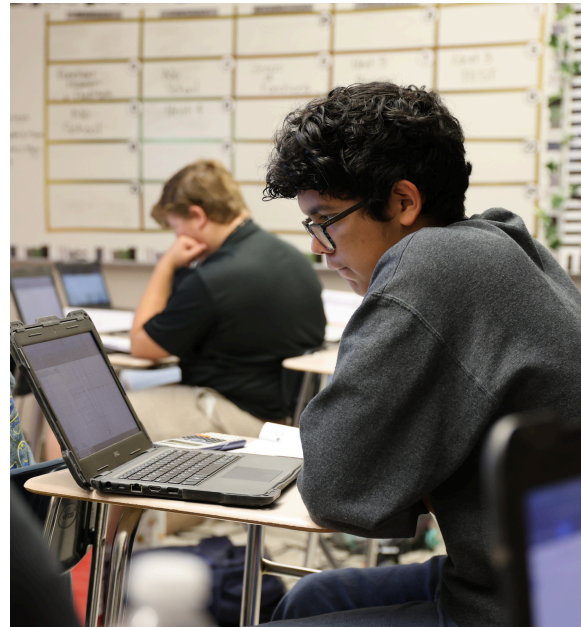
Strengthen teacher experience and pipelines



Enhance existing and new resources



Boost collaboration and engagement



DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENTS

The Calcasieu Parish School Board continued its upward trajectory in academic performance during the 2024–25 school year. CPSB earned a district performance score of 87.5, a B, up 1.4 points from the previous year, and once again outpaced the state average by more than seven points. Nearly 94% of CPSB students are in schools graded A, B, or C, and for the first time in recent years, no schools received an F rating. Eighteen schools earned “Top Gains” status, four were recognized as “Opportunity Honorees,” and five schools received both distinctions.

CPSB students continued to show growth and success on the 2023–2024 LEAP assessments, outperforming the state in the number of students performing at or above grade level. Several schools stood out for their achievements, including T.S. Cooley Elementary Magnet School, which ranked in the state’s top ten for overall school performance, and Pearl Watson Elementary School, which earned ninth in the state for school growth. Other campuses, including LeBleu Settlement Elementary School, S.P. Arnett Middle School, Gillis Elementary School, and Barbe High School, also demonstrated significant gains, reflecting the dedication of students and teachers across the district.

T.S. Cooley Elementary Magnet School was named a 2024 National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education. It is one of seven schools in Louisiana to receive the honor this year and one of three recognized for Exemplary High Performing School status.

Enrollment in the Calcasieu Parish School Board continued to rise for the third year in a row, with 27,159 students attending CPSB schools in the 2024–25 school year. Several campuses, including Sulphur High’s 9th Grade Campus, Washington-Marion High School, and LaGrange High School saw the largest growth, reflecting the district’s ongoing commitment to providing excellent educational opportunities.

CPSB partnered with SOWELA to launch a new pathway through the district’s Virtual Instruction Program. Beginning Spring 2025, students can simultaneously earn a high school diploma and an Associate of General Studies degree, giving graduates a competitive advantage in higher education and the workforce.

Finally, the School Board approved the restructure of Ralph Wilson and J.J. Johnson Elementary Schools, moving all students to J.J. Johnson to create a K-5 campus. Ralph Wilson has been transformed into the Ralph Wilson Center of Opportunities, serving over-age middle school students through a blended learning model designed to improve academic outcomes, provide work certifications, and support on-time graduation. This restructure reflects the district’s commitment to meeting student needs and enhancing success across campuses.



DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENTS

OF THE YEAR WINNERS

STUDENTS



Oliver Richard
TS Cooley
Elementary



Miley Dressler
S.J. Welsh Middle



Emma Vinson
Westlake High



Tevya Turner
Dolby Elementary



Meghan Clavier
S.P. Arnett Middle



Shi Garriet
Washington-Marion
High

PRINCIPALS



Kashia Askew
Gillis Elementary



Denise Whitley
S.P. Arnett Middle



Luke Dietz
Iowa High



Amy Andersen
Combre-Fondel
Elementary



**Angela Turton &
Rhonda Ory**
S.J. Welsh Middle



Melissa Chavez
Sulphur High
Main Campus

LIBRARIANS



Amy Rogers
Frasch Elementary



Amy Dietz
W.W. Lewis Middle



Kia White
Washington-Marion
High



Jordin Quinn
M.J. Kaufman
Elementary



Colin Hyatt
F.K. White Middle



Hannah Miller
Iowa High

COUNSELORS

NEW TEACHERS

SUPPORT PERSON



Judith Haney
R.W. Vincent
Elementary



Karl Klinefelter
Moss Bluff Middle



Eva Davis
Iowa High

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

As we look back on the 2024–2025 school year, we are proud to highlight the progress and milestones achieved across our district. These accomplishments reflect our continued commitment to building a supportive, innovative, and inclusive learning environment for every student. Through the dedication of our departments, we have provided the resources and opportunities needed to nurture both academic achievement and personal growth.

In the following pages, you'll find an overview of major initiatives, creative programs, and meaningful advancements that shaped this year. We encourage you to join us in recognizing the hard work and collaboration that continue to move our district forward.





ACCOUNTABILITY & ASSESSMENTS

25,240+

K-12 STUDENTS TESTED

- **1,851** students completed the ACT (American College Testing)
- **26,684** total early literacy screenings administered to students in grades K-3
- **3,308** students took the ACT WorkKeys Test, evaluating career and technical skills
- **80** students completed Summer LEAP Placement Tests (Louisiana Educational Assessment Program) to determine appropriate grade-level placement
- **258** students screened with the ELPS (English Language Proficiency Screener)
- **859** students completed the ELPT (English Language Proficiency Test) to assess English language development
- **Six** students completed ELPT Connect (English Language Proficiency Test for online/remote administration)
- **269** students completed LEAP Connect (Louisiana Educational Assessment Program for students needing alternate assessment)
- **335** students took the Fall High School LEAP assessment
- **17,940** students participated in the Spring 3-8 and High School LEAP assessments
- **218** students completed Summer High School LEAP assessments
- **2,003** students screened using the Shaywitz DyslexiaScreen



ADVANCED STUDIES

AP EXAM PREPERATIONS

The College Board shifted AP Exams from traditional paper-pencil format to a new digital format beginning in May 2025. To offer AP students the strongest opportunity to practice the new format, the Advanced Studies Department initiated digital AP Mock Exams offered during the school day at each high school campus. The initiative increased AP Mock Exam participation, support for students, and feedback from participants.

TALENTED ART

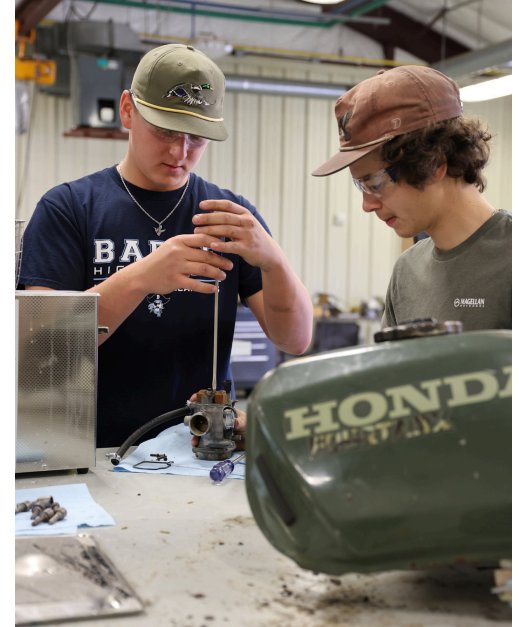
A second Talented Art Center was established at Maplewood Middle for K-8 students receiving services on the west side of the river.

The Talented Art classes at Sulphur High School were restructured into daily two-hour classes for Talented Art I & II, Talented Art III & IV, and AP Studio Art to align with services provided on the east side of the river.

ADVANCED SCREENINGS

924 students screened for Gifted
79 students screened for Talented Art
312 students screened for REACH





CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

SOWELA STEPS PROGRAM

460 college credit hours
4.6% increase over 23-24 school year



MCNEESE DUAL ENROLLMENT & COLLEGE PREP PROGRAM

6,304 college credit hours
12.6% increase over 23-24 school year

Career and Technical Education Career Coaches conducted career-focused classroom sessions across 19 campuses, reaching 5,855 students. Coaches hosted eight campus tours at the Calcasieu Career and Technical Education Center, providing hands-on exposure to career training and post-secondary opportunities. CTE also represented the district at seven community events, strengthening connections with families, local businesses, and industry partners.

On the 2025 CTE College Signing Day, 146 high school seniors committed to pursuing further education or entering the workforce in CTE-related fields. The Summer Career Academy welcomed 109 students, offering high school credit, industry-based credentials, and stipends for program completion. Students earned a total of 103 credentials in high-demand career fields, including ProStart, Carpentry, Electrical, Welding, Outdoor Power Equipment, Automotive Technician, Commercial Arts, Video Production, and Emergency Medical Responder.

CTE Career Coaches also shared their expertise at the 2025 CPSB Leader Shift Summit, presenting "Bridging Classrooms to Careers – The Impact of the Career Coach." The session highlighted the essential role Career Coaches play in preparing students for life after graduation through hands-on career guidance and support.

CHILD WELFARE & ATTENDANCE



DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Total student enrollment increased by 1% during the 2024–2025 school year
- Through enhanced collaboration with Office of Juvenile Justice Services, the number of student absences decreased by 39%
- CPSB's chronic absenteeism remains below the state average at 37%
- In partnership with Everyday Labs, 53% of students improved their attendance after receiving a text or email reminder
- 82% of students at-risk of chronic absence remained non-chronic after receiving text or email nudges
- Staff members presented information on the Expulsion Diversion Opportunity Program (EDOP) at multiple state and national conferences

EARLY CHILDHOOD



The Calcasieu Parish Community Network completed over 770 class observations in the district, which includes infants, toddlers and Pre-K.

The Calcasieu Parish Community Network 2024 rated overall performance as proficient.



Monthly “Nap and Knowledge” sessions were conducted with teachers and co-teachers. This job-embedded professional development included topics such as technology for little ones and Canva.

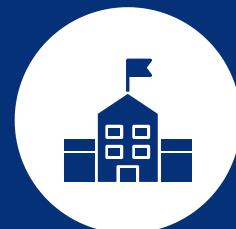
ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT



Students in grades K-3 demonstrated significant growth in literacy. The percentage scoring at or above benchmark on DIBELS Next increased from 56% at the end of 2023-2024 to 66% at the end of 2024-2025.

Several teachers across the district collaborated with the Elementary Department to develop professional development sessions. These sessions were presented during the August back-to-school in-service days. The teachers continue to serve as PD facilitators throughout the school year.

Over 152 teachers in grades 4-5 completed Numeracy Training to strengthen their instructional practices and support student learning.



FEDERAL PROGRAMS

EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT
2024-2025 SCHOOL/SITES SERVED

34 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
6 MIDDLE SCHOOLS
4 HIGH SCHOOLS
9 NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS
4 NEGLECTED AND DELINQUENT SITES

BY THE NUMBERS

- Purchased **all Title I schools** for 2nd grade students laptops, cases, and headphones
- Supported **865+** English Language Learners
- **200+** AP tests administered
- **800+** McKinney-Vento students supported
- **60+** Para Pro tests administered

PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED

Title I, II, III, IV, VII, Foster Care, SAPE, Neglected and Delinquent



GRANTS

ACHIEVE ESSER 3

FORMULA, EVIDENCE BASED, & INCENTIVE

\$30,291,030

For evidenced based interventions, professional learning for teachers, curriculum, HVAC systems, buses with air conditioning, 1:1 technology for students, updated lunchroom equipment, band instruments, educator compensation

REIMAGINE GRANT

\$112,097

For Fairview Elementary World Language Academy

OTHER GRANTS

\$655,793

Education Excellence Fund: professional learning, Principal Fellowship tuition, literacy supplies & technology

\$1,293,300

CLSD K-12th Grade literacy grant: CIR schools to build capacity of literacy coaches, improve teacher practice, and increase literacy outcomes for children

\$359,602

HC Drew Estate: 62 High School, Middle School & Elementary School grants awarded

\$1,127,523

Redesign 1003A: Evidenced based strategies for CIR Schools

\$200,000

REAL tutoring: literacy tutoring for elementary students

\$40,000

Computer Science Technology Assistance Grant (CSTAG): Provides funds to support implementation of Louisiana K-12 Computer Science Education Plan

\$15,000

Junior League of Lake Charles: Branch Out & Grow Awards

\$5,043

Louisiana Retention and Recruitment: Sulphur High School students to attend Educators Rising National Conference

\$1,149,600

High Dosage Tutoring: Tutoring for K-5 students



HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

1,900+

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

3,500+

COLLEGE COURSES COMPLETED

10,500+

COLLEGE CREDITS EARNED

CPSB students earned more than 3,000 additional college credits compared to last year.

INTERNAL AUDITING

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Expanded online teacher receipting to all remaining schools, eliminating paper receipts and reducing errors through improved system integration
- Implemented Amazon Business, creating a centralized purchasing process that generated significant savings through rebates and free shipping now allows for automated purchase order approvals, real-time reporting, and full integration with eFIN
- Expanded the GoFan ticketing system to include point-of-sale concession sales at select schools
- Identified multiple risks to school assets and introduced enhanced procedures and technology to strengthen loss prevention
- Performed external audit functions for Collections and Bank Reconciliations testing under the Agreed-Upon Procedures audit
- Successfully completed audits for six high schools, three middle schools, and nine elementary schools



LIBRARY SERVICES



785,600+

LIBRARY BOOKS CIRCULATED

417,900+

ACCELERATED READER
QUIZZES PASSED



20,000+

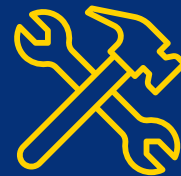
NEW LIBRARY BOOKS PURCHASED

MAINTENANCE



11,400+

WORK ORDERS COMPLETED



Expanded maintenance team with Carpenter and Plumber to handle rising repair needs



Expanded utility crews leading to improved lawn maintenance progress

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS



28,000+

STUDENT RECORDS MAINTAINED

4,500+

STAFF RECORDS MAINTAINED

- Purchased and installed Visitor Pass kiosks in all schools to enhance security by scanning and tracking visitors
- Coordinated with middle and high schools to implement the E-Hall Pass system, an electronic tool for monitoring student movement in and out of classrooms
- Ordered and distributed new computers and printers to support office staff at school sites.
- Processed over 4,200 economic surveys, helping more than 700 students qualify and enabling the district to secure additional funding
- Supported the Mid City Grant project in Lake Charles by coordinating district data, contributing to the implementation of a \$50 million grant to rebuild the Lloyd Oaks/Barbe Elementary area

MEDIA CENTER/PRINT SHOP

The Print Shop continued to enhance the district's printing capabilities with the rollout of WebCRD 12.0, featuring a range of powerful new tools designed to elevate the printing experience. The updated platform offers premium business cards, high-quality envelopes, and professionally trimmed booklets, enabling the production of top-tier, professional-grade print materials. These improvements ensure the district can deliver exceptional quality and value while maintaining cost efficiency compared to third-party providers.

30,000+ completed orders
throughout the district





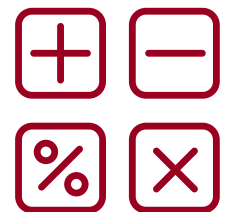
MIDDLE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT



All three tested and measured subjects in math, ELA, and science showed growth.



Colin Hyatt of F.K. White Middle was named a State Finalist for New Teacher of the Year, and Denise Whitley was recognized as a State Semi-Finalist for Principal of the Year. This marks the third consecutive year our district has celebrated a finalist at the state level.



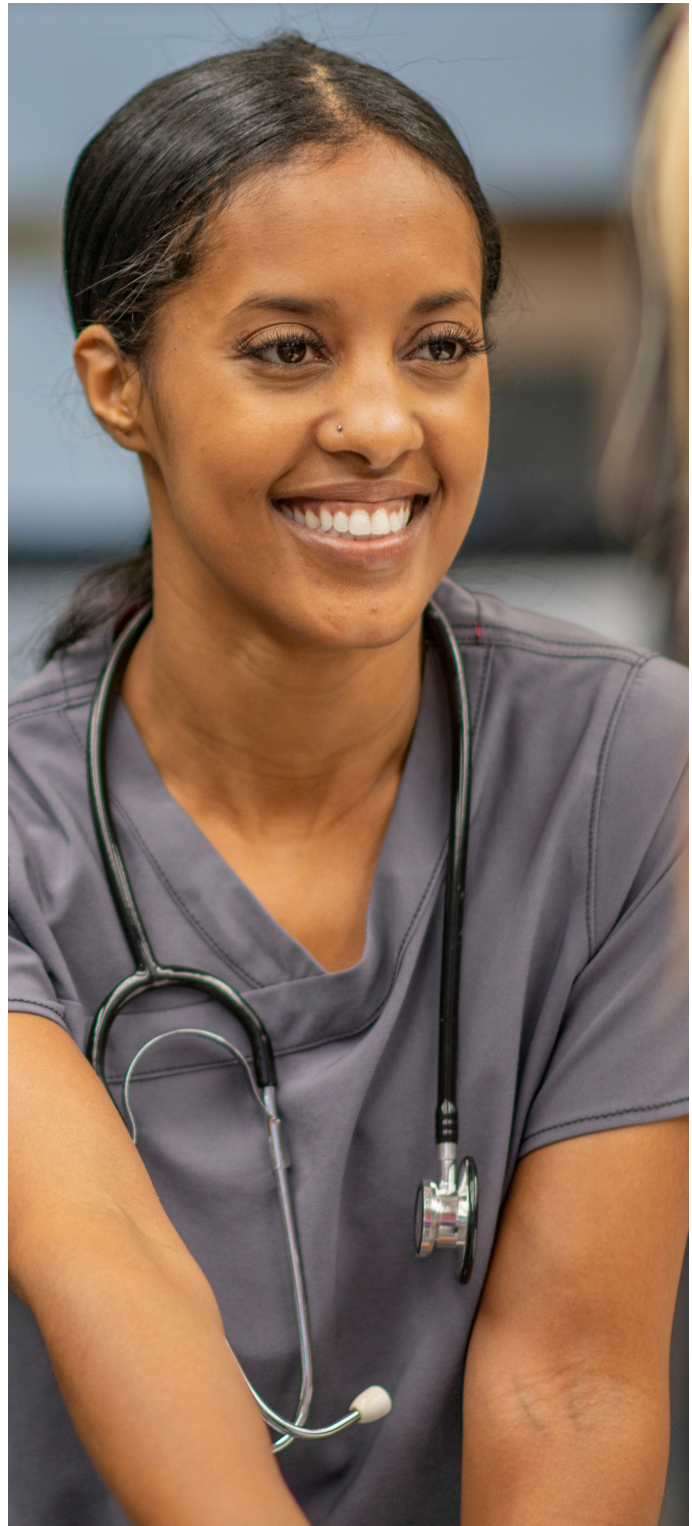
Calcasieu Parish middle schools continue to show an increase in student proficiency in Math.



NURSING

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- **29,500** encounters providing daily medication to students while also caring for, educating, and managing those with chronic medical conditions
- **19,200** encounters delivering first aid, nursing assessments, and medical interventions
- **71,400** encounters conducting screenings including hearing, vision, and scoliosis assessments, reviewing health forms and immunization records, and offering lessons on hygiene, dental care, lice prevention, and self-breast exams



PAYROLL



5,500+

EMPLOYEES ON MONTHLY PAYROLL

\$18 MILLION+

MONTHLY PAYROLL AMOUNT

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Our dedicated staff is committed to providing excellent customer service to all of our employees. Our duties include:

- Processing an average of 50 payrolls annually, including Workers' Compensation, special payrolls, substitutes, and monthly payrolls
- Collecting and reporting all employee deductions
- Oversight of all employee absences at the school and district level

PERSONNEL



A Job Fair was hosted at the West Cal Arena and Event Center in Summer 2025.



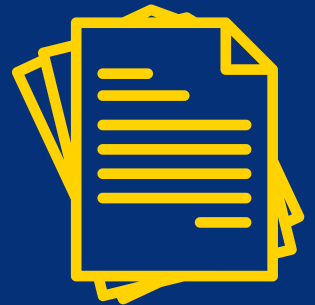
450+

new hires to start the
2024-2025 school year



9,918

online job applications submitted



Over 975 certification
applications processed

PUBLIC INFORMATION

SOCIAL MEDIA GROWTH



8%

GROWTH IN FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS



8%

GROWTH IN INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS



9%

GROWTH IN LINKEDIN FOLLOWERS

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The Public Information Department brought home seven communication awards from the National School Public Relations Association. These awards recognize excellence in Publications and Digital Media, highlighting outstanding work in categories including marketing, communication, social media, and more.

Awards of Excellence were received for the 23-24 Annual Report, the CPSB Crisis Incident Terminology Infographic, the Building Foundations for the Future Video Series, and the Let's Meet Dr. Jason VanMetre Video. An Award of Merit was received for the CPSB School Threat PSA, while Honorable Mentions were earned for the News Release on CPSB's School Performance Score growth and the Back to School - Kindergarten Advice Video.

A record number of entries were submitted nationwide, making this recognition especially meaningful for the students, faculty, and staff in Calcasieu.

the leader in school communication
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REACH + MEDIA

1.1+ MILLION

FACEBOOK PROFILE VISITS

250+

INTERACTIONS WITH JOURNALISTS

640+

MENTIONS BY NEWS AGENCIES

PUPIL APPRAISAL



DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

The Pupil Appraisal Department provided:

- Over **1,000 initial** evaluations for students suspected of having a disabling condition
- Over **350 evaluations** of students suspected of qualifying for the gifted program
- Reevaluations of **1,400 students** with disabilities
- Counseling services to around **150 students** through their IEP services
- Social work services to students enrolled in elementary alternative programs
- 504 evaluations, annual meetings, and screenings for **over 1,000 students**
- Coordinated and provided **280 trainings** for Nonviolent Crisis Intervention
- Approximately **200 dyslexia screenings** for third grade students in response to Act 422, including the implementation of new test materials

RISK MANAGEMENT

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

As part of ongoing emergency preparedness, the Risk Management team partnered with local law enforcement agencies and Calcasieu 911 to implement the Rave Panic Button application at all 60 school sites. This phone application enhances each participating staff member's ability to instantly notify both the rest of the staff and authorities in the event of an armed intruder on campus.

Schools throughout the district completed a total of 986 safety drills during the past school year, and every school submitted an updated Emergency Operations Plan for the second consecutive year.

Through the appraisal process of district properties and proactive accident prevention efforts, the Risk Management department achieved over \$1 million in savings in workers' compensation and property and casualty insurance for the 2024-2025 year.

In Employee Benefits, the team successfully implemented a new health insurance plan. Analysis provided by the new pharmacy benefit manager, Crumdale & Associates, demonstrated progress in reducing pharmacy costs. Utilization management programs implemented over the past year resulted in nearly \$2.4 million in savings, representing a six percent reduction in the plan's pharmacy spending.



SALES AND USE TAX



Sales and use tax collections reached **\$191 million for the School Board** and **\$429 million across the parish**, supporting essential services and community growth.

The Compliance Department secured **\$9.5 million in delinquent taxes**, while the Audit Department brought in an additional **\$9 million**. At the close of the fiscal year, 340 audits remained active.

Taxpayer activity continues at a high level, with an average of 9,017 sales tax returns processed monthly and 15,664 active taxpayers currently on record.

SCHOOL NUTRITION



1.38 MILLION
BREAKFASTS SERVED

2.65 MILLION
LUNCHES SERVED

114,000
AFTER-SCHOOL SNACKS



\$100,000+

SPENT ON LOUISIANA GROWN
FOODS: BEEF, SATSUMAS,
CUCUMBERS, AND STRAWBERRIES



SPECIAL PROJECTS



Photos from Partners in Education
annual breakfast

PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

148 

current school-level partnerships



SCHOOLS ACHIEVING CIR EXIT

Of our schools, 46% previously identified as Comprehensive Intervention Required (CIR) have now successfully met the criteria for exit, according to the Louisiana Department of Education's most recent review. This achievement reflects the dedication of our school leaders and the meaningful academic growth they continue to drive.

SPECIAL SERVICES



SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The Center, located within the Assessment Center, serves as a dedicated platform for educators. Its mission is to provide supplemental training and guidance to effectively address instructional and behavioral challenges.

This Teacher Support Initiative integrates collaborative peer assistance, tailored training modules, evidence-based educational practices, and effective classroom management strategies to create a strong foundation for teacher success. Special education teachers and paraprofessionals receive comprehensive guidance from subject matter experts, program and behavior facilitators, and on-site support coaches. This structure ensures consistent, year-round assistance in addressing questions and concerns, helping educators provide stronger support at the school level.

THE DINO PRESS

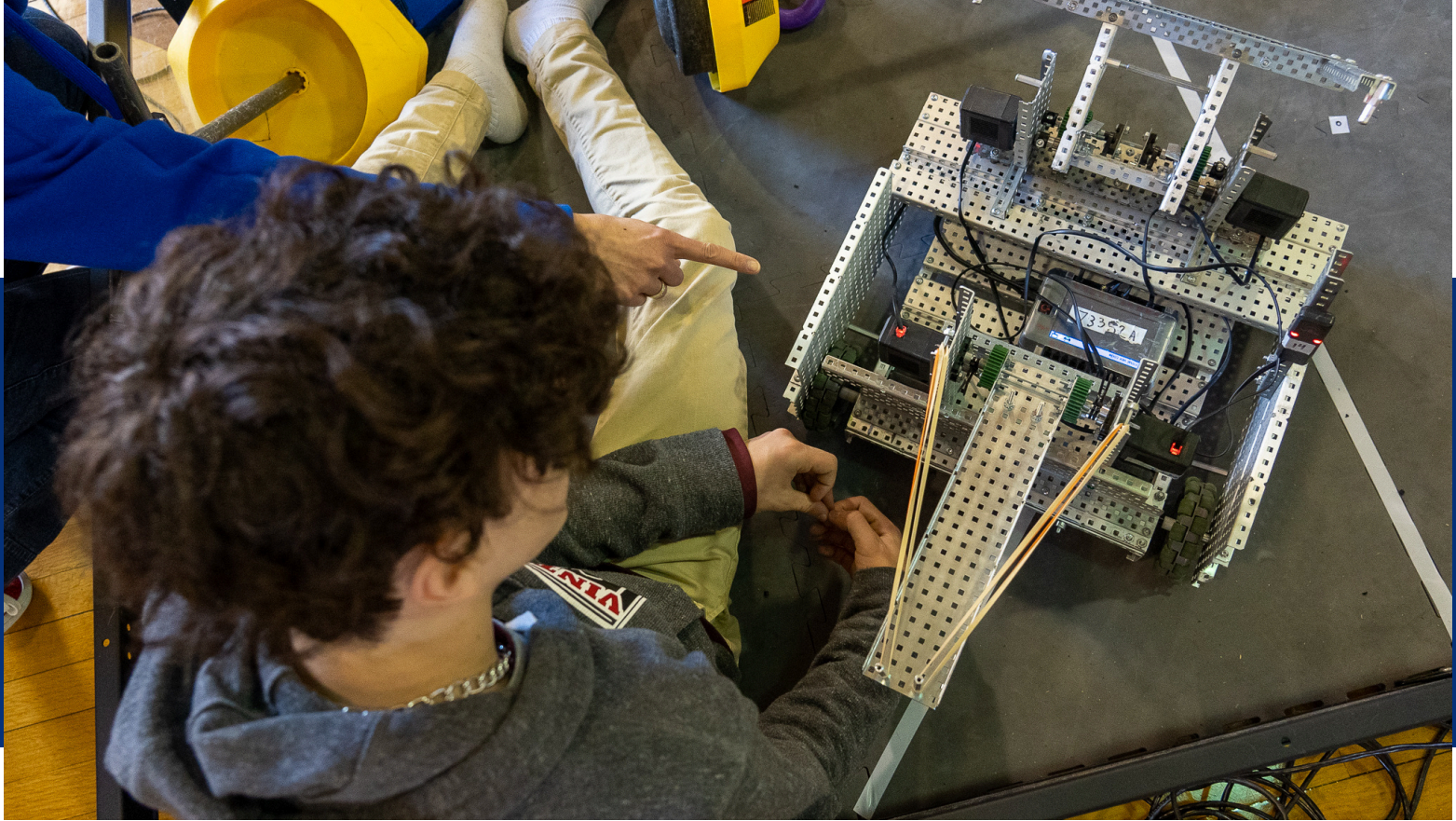
The initiative, located within the Assessment Center, was established to provide job-embedded instruction and employment opportunities for students enrolled in special services and alternative education programs.

This state-of-the-art facility serves as a multifunctional space, operating as a classroom, storefront, and gateway to real-world opportunities for students with disabilities and diverse needs. Students actively apply for positions and receive monthly compensation from CPSB, with funding reimbursed through Medicaid. They take a hands-on role in the daily operations of the Dino Press and are currently working toward expanding both the facility's footprint and the number of student participants.

LIFE ACADEMY

This partnership between CPSB and McNeese State University that provides pre-employment transition services to students with significant developmental and intellectual disabilities.

The program focuses on career training, academic instruction, personal development, social engagement, and independent living skills to prepare students for life after high school. Students are guided by CPSB teachers, participate in campus activities, and receive job training opportunities. CPSB provides transportation, lunch, and basic materials, and students are issued college IDs to access campus resources. The goal is for each student to secure a job in their credentialed area before the age of 22. Plans are underway to expand LIFE Academy and serve even more eligible students in the future.



S.T.E.M. CENTER

FIELD TRIPS



53 field trips serving 4,034 students, 284 teachers, and 660 community members

S.T.E.M. CAMPS

627 students registered for S.T.E.M. summer camps



These summer camps included Future engineers, Robotics, SeaPerch (underwater robotics), and Drones.

ROBOTICS

- The Region 5 S.T.E.M. Center helped support nearly *100 robotic teams*.
- Lake Charles area teams earned 19 awards at the Louisiana VEX State Championships, and local SeaPerch teams took the top two awards at the regional qualifier, with one advancing to the National Championship in Maryland.
- Eight teams from the region competed at the VEX World Championship in Dallas, with two teams earning division-level awards.
- The STEM Center hosted four official competitions on-site, supported more than five additional events across the parish and state, and organized two VEX leagues with over 30 teams participating weekly.

TEACHER LEADER SUPPORT



56,801 mentoring hours were provided, which supported new hires, alternative certificate teachers and undergrad residents

Expanded number of mentor teachers from 265 to **319**

296 employees earned the State Mentor Certification

10,059 hours of New Teacher and Mentor Professional Development provided

9,708 Bullseye SnapThrough sessions conducted

TECHNOLOGY



TECHNOLOGY TRAINING

- Hosted **7,758** for professional development
- Hosted **4,061** students on the MakerSpace bus
- **1,148** school visits
- Developed **6,068** student projects
- Hosted **600** attendees at Tech Con

TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

This year the Tech Support team:

- Resolved **20,676** help tickets
- Supported **100,000+** devices
- Processed **12,198** devices salvaged to harvest reusable parts
- Repaired **2,545** devices
- Resolved **21,638** issues via call-in support



NETWORKING

- Supported **3,562** School Video Cameras
- Supported **161** School Door Access Controlled
- Supported **2,469** Switches/Servers
- Supported **1,537** Phones
- Supported **4,022** Wireless Access Points



TRANSPORTATION



- Added **ten new route buses** and **ten new lift buses** to the fleet
- Expanded the leadership team by adding a Field Supervisor to provide better support and access for drivers and schools
- Implemented new field trip software which helped facilitate a record **3,600 field trips** for the 2024-2025 school year, up from just over 2,800 trips in 2023-2024
- Introduced a **Class A activity bus** to **every high school**, featuring the same graphics as the Class C buses issued in March 2024
- Enhanced the communications system to coordinate with local law enforcement, Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office, State Police, and other public entities during emergencies or natural disasters



VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS



musicians made the all-state music ensembles ranking Calcasieu Parish second in State



AWARD-WINNING STAFF

Andrew Usie

LMEA Outstanding Young Music Educator Award, Sulphur High School

Kyle Cook

Milken Educator Award, Maplewood Middle School



WAREHOUSE

All CPSB orders were received at the central receiving docks, where they were checked for quality and accuracy and documented throughout the CPSB system. Orders were then delivered to the appropriate sites, including janitorial supplies and textbooks or curriculum materials for elementary, middle, and high schools. The warehouse staff maintained storage and inventory for janitorial supplies, maintenance and transportation parts, and food service items such as dry goods and cooler/freezer products. Staff also procured janitorial supplies and equipment, transportation and maintenance parts, textbooks and curriculum materials, and copy paper. Bulk food items were received, stored, and delivered daily to all sites through the food service partnership.

In addition to daily operations, the warehouse team managed Fixed Assets verification reports annually for every site and coordinated obsolete CPSB assets for public auction, including gathering, pickup, and delivery. Warehouse staff also supported special projects, trainings, and preparations such as custodial in-services, asbestos training, hurricane preparations, and the collection and delivery of tech salvage to the technology department.

Through these efforts, warehouse operations provided essential support to CPSB sites, ensuring smooth school operations and contributing to the success of students' education and learning.



OTHER DEPARTMENTS

There are various other departments that directly impact the students and staff within our district, and we are grateful for their commitment and dedication to all stakeholders.

ACCOUNTING ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PURCHASING



ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Barbe High

- Girls Indoor Track - Kennedi Burks
- Girls Outdoor Track - Team Champions, Kennedi Burks, Reese Trahan, Aniyha Lavan, Tori Tran, Maria Lafleur, Carter Hooks

Bell City High

- Girls Outdoor Track - Payton Herpin, Azhia Stewart, Klancie Hebert, Sunni Kelly, Kennedy Semar, Ashlyn Natali, and Payton Herpin
- Boys Swimming - Grant Granger

DeQuincy High School

- Rodeo - Wyatt LaVergne (LHSRA Saddle Bronc State Champion), Ty LaVergne (LHSRA Bullriding State Champion)

Sam Houston High

- Boys Wrestling - Caleb Lavine (150 lb)
- Girls Wrestling - Chevy Coleman (107 lb)
- Girls Softball
- Boys Baseball

Sulphur High

- E-Sports

Starks High

- Boys Outdoor Track - Cole Doucet, Dwayne Weaver, Ben Crisp, Nate Gore, Kaison Howard



SAFETY & SECURITY

SEAL OUR CAMPUSES

Supervision
Entry Points
Awareness
Lock our Doors

ARMED PRESENCE

Maintaining School Resource Officers
Third-party armed guards in schools without law enforcement SROs
All schools have armed security

IN ADDITION

Fully implemented the RAVE Panic App, a statewide emergency communication system that connects schools and first responders, across all campuses.

In collaboration with CPSO, hosted a statewide student reunification training with the “I Love U Guys” Foundation, bringing together over 150 participants from across Louisiana.

Chosen as one of three sites selected to pilot Louisiana’s new student threat assessment, set for full implementation in 2025–26.

Awarded \$26,500 grant to enhance security at CPAS West by the Louisiana Center for Safe Schools, set for full implementation in 2025-26.

HURRICANE REPAIR UPDATE

FEMA REIMBURSEMENT

\$119,815,609

reimbursed so far for cleanup costs, temporary roofing, debris removal, etc.

\$156,919,099

reimbursed so far for repair work

TOTAL PROJECT OVERVIEW

136

total repair projects

135 (99%)

total bids advertised

133 (98%)

total construction contracts executed

124 (91%)

total projects substantially complete

2025-2026 FOCUS

CONTINUITY OF SYSTEMS FROM THE 24-25 SCHOOL YEAR

Instructional Leadership Teams

Collective Teacher and Leader Efficacy

STRATEGIC PLAN FOLLOW-THROUGH

The CPSB Strategic Plan is a living document. It contains our primary Focus Areas, but we will have a heavy emphasis on the following:

Literacy

Attendance

Customizing Opportunities for Students

Academic Growth on LEAP Assessments

Partnerships

Technology

Improvement/Growth in our Identified Schools

Safety and Security

STEAM

Facility Restoration

MARKETING & PUBLICITY

We will continue to promote and market the district as well as continue to recognize the incredible talent that exists within our schools and facilities.



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