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Financial Literacy Proficiency Exam Opt-In Form

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Beginning with students entering 9th grade in 2024–2025, the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) requires all students to complete Financial Literacy as part of the graduation requirements.

Students can meet this requirement in one of two ways:

1. Complete one (1) credit of Financial Literacy, or
2. Demonstrate proficiency by earning a score of 60% or higher on the district-approved Financial Literacy Proficiency Exam.

Students who pass the exam will earn one (1) elective Carnegie credit, recorded on their transcript with a grade of "P" (Pass).

- A "P" grade shows that the student met the minimum standard for proficiency.
- The "P" grade does not count toward GPA calculations.
- The Financial Literacy credit does not count toward the four required math credits for graduation.

Per the STPPS Pupil Progression Plan

Proficiency credit for Financial Literacy may only be earned prior to enrolling in or attempting the course for seat time. Students must demonstrate the same or higher level of proficiency as a student who successfully completed the course. The Carnegie credit will appear on the student's transcript with the course title, year demonstrated, "P" (Pass), and one (1) unit of credit earned. Students should consult their school counselor or administrator regarding how a "P" grade may impact GPA or scholarship eligibility.

A student has only one attempt to demonstrate proficiency on the state-approved district created exam.

Important Note – TOPS Scholarship Impact

Because the "P" grade is not a letter grade (A–F), it may not count toward the GPA or core course requirements used to determine TOPS eligibility through LOSFA.

Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment

By signing below, I understand that Financial Literacy is a state-mandated graduation requirement and that the proficiency exam may only be taken before my child enrolls in the course. I also understand that earning a "P" grade may impact GPA and eligibility for certain scholarships, including TOPS.

Student Name: _____

School: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____