LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION





Claiborne Building Room 1-100, The Louisiana Purchase Room 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802 Wednesday, October 15, 2025 9:00 a.m.

> Mr. Ronnie Morris, President Ms. Stacey Melerine, Vice President Mr. Kevin Berken, Secretary-Treasurer

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Items beginning with an * asterisk are consent items.

AGENDA

- 1. Opening
 - 1.1. Call to Order
 - 1.2. Roll Call
 - 1.3. Invocation
 - 1.4. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Approval of the Agenda
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- 3. Recognition of Guests
 - 3.1. Consideration of the recognition of Community Partners
 - 3.2. Consideration of the recognition of the 2024 Milken Educator Award honorees
 - 3.3. Consideration of the recognition of the 2026 Principal of the Year honorees
 - 3.4. Consideration of the recognition of the 2026 Teacher of the Year honorees

- 3.5. Consideration of the recognition of the 2026 New Teacher of the Year honoree
- 3.6. Consideration of the recognition of the 2026 Early Childhood Teacher/Leader of the Year honorees
- 3.7. Consideration of the recognition of the 2025 Louisiana Public Interest Fellowship honoree
- 3.8. Consideration of the recognition of the Louisiana Recruitment and Retention Fellowship Cohort 5
- 3.9. Consideration of the recognition of Louisiana National Board Certified Teachers
- 4. Approval of the Minutes
 - 4.1. August 20, 2025
- 5. Report by the State Superintendent of Education
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- 6. Report(s) from members of BESE (Statutory and Legislative Task Force/Council Appointees)
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- 7. Board Committee Reports
 - 7.1. Academic Goals and Instructional Improvement Committee
 - 7.2. Board Administration and Education Finance Committee
 - 7.3. Educator Effectiveness Committee
 - 7.4. Legislative and Governmental Affairs Committee
 - 7.5. School Innovation and Turnaround Committee
- 8. Items for Consideration
 - 8.1. Consideration of an update report regarding BESE Tours 2.0