

PARENT POWER

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Grow a Garden with your Kids this Summer

Starting a garden is a fun way to teach your kids about healthy fruits and vegetables and get some exercise as you work on a project together.



You don't have to be horticultural expert to grow a simple garden this year, just use these tips and you and your kids can be growing your own food in no time.

Find a good site for your garden:

You want an area that gets plenty of sunlight, at least six hours each day. You'll also want to make sure your garden is in an area that is protected from animals. You may need to put up a small wire fence to keep hungry rabbits, deer, or other animals away from your growing plants. If you're tight on space, you can grow some plants in boxes

on a windowsill.

Pick which plants to grow:

Some fruits and vegetables grow better in some parts of the country than others. When you're shopping for seeds and plants, ask an employee for advice on what grows well in your area. You can also get tips from a Master Gardener, someone who has been trained by the USDA and volunteers their time to help people grow gardens.

Be careful when weeding:

You don't want weeds to absorb all the nutrients in the soil or choke your crops, but you want to make sure you don't harm any of your crop when pulling up weeds. Weed carefully to preserve your plants.

Get help from your cooperative extension office:

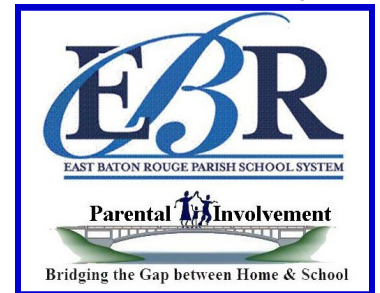
Cooperative extension offices are located

throughout the country to help answer your questions about gardening and more. Find the office near you to get answers to specific questions.

If you really enjoy the time you spend in the garden with your child, you might want to look into the Junior Master Gardener program. The program offers a full community learning experience through gardening.

Whether you and your child only grow a few herbs this year or if you have an entire gardening bursting with fresh produce, you can have a fun time playing in the garden and enjoy the taste of home-grown food.

SOURCE: www.kids.gov



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Top District Educators Applauded at Teachers of the Year Awards Reception



EBRPSS Teachers of the Year: Left to right, Brandon Hebert of EBR Laboratory Academy, Erica Badeaux of Sherwood Middle Academic Magnet and Candice Hartley of Woodlawn Elementary.



According to East Baton Rouge Parish School System Superintendent John Dilworth, the district's 2012 Teachers of the Year from individual school sites represent educators who are exceptionally dedicated, use cutting-edge technology and have time for those in need no matter how busy they are.

On Wednesday afternoon, April 20, the cream of this crop rose to the top when the School System's three Teachers of the Year were announced at an awards reception. The 2012 district Teachers of the Year are: *Candice Hartley* of Woodlawn Elementary School, *Erica Badeaux* of Sherwood Middle Academic Magnet School and *Brandon Hebert* of the East Baton Rouge Laboratory Academy.

"The one constant in some

of these children's lives is the teacher who fully believes all students can learn. When I left your classrooms, I was inspired," Dilworth said of the winners.

Hartley teaches Math and Social Studies to fourth graders at Woodlawn Elementary and has four years experience in teaching – two at this school. She has a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Louisiana State University (LSU) and also has taught at another School System site. An LSU student teacher mentor, she is chairman of the Woodlawn Elementary School Capital Area Reading Council, has participated as a career teacher with the Teacher Advancement Program and attended the Mickelson ExxonMobil Teacher's Academy in 2007. She is a member of the International Reading Association (Louisiana Reader's Association), National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, National Science Teachers Association and Teachers Networking Together. Hartley also is a former U.S. Marine.

"I can't imagine my life without my children," Hartley said. "They inspire me every single day. We are just a chapter in their lives, and I feel honored to be a part of their story. One day they will come back and share their success story with me."

Badeaux teaches Physical

Science at Sherwood Middle School, where she has served her entire teaching career (3 years). She holds an Alternative Teaching Certificate Teaching License followed by a Level 1 Teaching Certificate from the Louisiana Resource Center for Educators and a bachelor in Architecture from LSU. She actually was an architect when an experience with a teacher her brother was having led her to a teaching career. At Sherwood Middle, she teaches sixth-through-eighth grade electives like Forensics, Robotics I and II and Lego Architecture. Badeaux is on the Positive Behavior Intervention Support Team at school and has been voted most valuable professional for the team twice by the student body. She also is involved in the Teachers Networking Together Group and National Science Teacher's Association.

"What is simple and very clear is this: I love kids," Badeaux said. "I love the challenges they bring me each day, the issues they see in themselves that need readjusting and those in me and my own practice that often need a little work. This profession is made stronger because we share one common understanding: teaching is a practice, and one should never stop working at improvement."

Hebert teaches English at EBR Lab Academy, and

she has a 12-year teaching career. With a bachelor's degree in English Literature from LSU, an Alternative Certification in English 7-12 from Teach Baton Rouge and National Board Certification, she also is active in the East Baton Rouge Parish Association of Educators and the National Council for Teachers of English. She previously taught at Scotlandville Magnet High School, Baker High School and Parkview Baptist Pre-School. In addition, Hebert has been a Summer Institute director for Teach Baton Rouge and Content Seminar leader for Louisiana Practitioner Teacher Program and The New Teacher Project. She has twice won the Neighbors Federal Credit Union Brotherhood/Sisterhood Award and was Teacher of the Year in 2008 at Scotlandville High School.

"I'm completely overwhelmed and humbled. I'm excited to the point of tears. I'm so moved by it all," Hebert said at the reception. "The best thing about teaching is connecting with the children every day and knowing as much as I affect them, they affect me. And I learn probably more from them than they learn from me."




Office of High School Programs 2011 Graduation Dates

School	Date	Time	Location
Arlington	May 17, 2011 Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	University Methodist Church
Baton Rouge Magnet	May 18, 2011 Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	LSU Pete Maravich Center
Belaire	May 17, 2011 Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	LSU Pete Maravich Center
Broadmoor	May 19, 2011 Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Bethany World Prayer Center (North)
EBR Acceleration Academy	May 24, 2011 Tuesday	1:00 p.m.	Full Gospel United Pentecostal Church
EBR Laboratory Academy	May 17, 2011 Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	BREC Independence Park Theater
Glen Oaks	May 16, 2011 Monday	6:00 p.m.	Southern University F.G. Clark Activity Center
Istrouma	May 19, 2011 Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Southern University F.G. Clark Activity Center
McKinley	May 23, 2011 Monday	6:00 p.m.	Southern University F.G. Clark Activity Center
Northdale	May 18, 2011 Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	BREC Independence Park Theater
Northeast	May 17, 2011 Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Bethany World Prayer Center (North)
Scotlandville	May 20, 2011 Friday	6:00 p.m.	Southern University F.G. Clark Activity Center
Tara	May 20, 2011 Friday	6:00 p.m.	Bethany World Prayer Center (South)
Woodlawn	May 16, 2011 Monday	6:00 p.m.	LSU Pete Maravich Center
Adult Education	May 20, 2011 Friday	9:30 a.m.	Living Faith Christian Center

LEAP Summer Remediation 2011

ELEMENTARY

Dates & Times 	1st Day of Class—Wednesday, June 1, 2011 Classes End—Monday, June 27, 2011 Testing Dates—June 28th, 29th & 30th Class times are 8:30 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. & 11:50 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday thru Thursday
Locations	Summer school assignment is determined by the school attendance zones. M-to-M, Choice and Magnet students will attend summer remediation according to their regular attendance zone for summer school.
Transportation	Bus transportation will be provided within existing attendance zones.
Meals	Breakfast is served from 8:10a.m. until 8:30 a.m. Lunch is served during 2nd class. *Meals are free for all participants.
Dress Code	School Uniform is required.
Discipline	Students are expected to follow the “EBR Student Rights & Responsibility Handbook and Discipline Policy
Attendance Policy	All enrolled students must be in attendance for the full class period, per subject, each day. No exceptions! Students must be present all 15 days to receive credit. Medical documentation will be required for days that students are not present.

	HOST SCHOOL	← 1ST SENDING SCHOOL	← 2ND SENDING SCHOOL
1.	Belfair	Howell Park	n/a
2.	Broadmoor	LaSalle	Audubon
3.	Brownfields	White Hills	n/a
4.	Capitol	Melrose Upper	n/a
5.	Crestworth	Progress	n/a
6.	Delmont	Banks	n/a
7.	Dufrocq	Bernard Terrace	Park
8.	Glen Oaks Park	Claiborne	n/a
9.	Greenbrier	Park Forest	Villa Del Rey
10.	Highland	n/a	n/a
11.	LaBelle Aire	n/a	n/a
12.	Magnolia Woods	Wildwood	n/a
13.	Merrydale	Sharon Hills	n/a
14.	Northeast	n/a	n/a
15.	Riveroaks	Twin Oaks	n/a
16.	Scotlandville	Ryan	n/a
17.	University Terrace	Buchanan	Polk
18.	Wedgewood	Cedarcrest	Parkview
19.	Westminster	Jefferson Terrace	n/a
20.	Winbourne	Brookstown	n/a
21.	Woodlawn	Shenandoah	n/a

LEAP Summer Remediation 2011

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dates & Times



1st Day of Class—Wednesday, June 1, 2011
Classes End—Monday, June 27, 2011

Testing Dates—June 28th, 29th & 30th

Class times are 8:30 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. & 11:50 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Monday thru Thursday

Locations

Summer school assignment is determined by the school attendance zones.
M-to-M, Choice and Magnet students will attend summer remediation according to their regular attendance zone for summer school.

Transportation

Bus transportation will be provided within existing attendance zones.

Meals

Breakfast is served from 8:10a.m. until 8:30 a.m.
Lunch is served during 2nd class. *Meals are free for all participants.

Dress Code

School Uniform is required.

Discipline

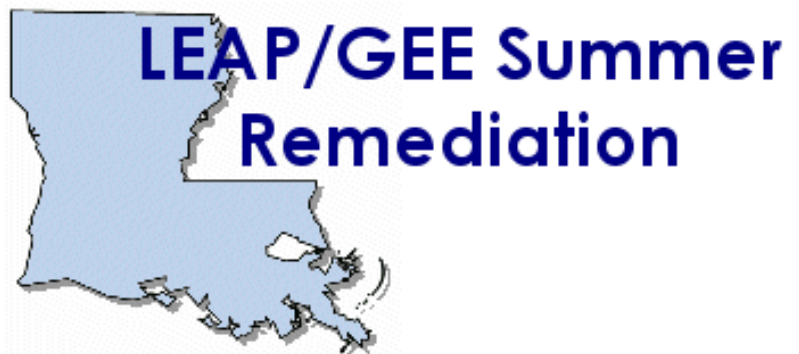
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1.	Broadmoor	n/a	n/a
2.	Capitol	n/a	n/a
3.	Mayfair	Glasgow	n/a
4.	Northeast HS	n/a	n/a
5.	Park Forest	n/a	n/a
6.	Southeast	n/a	n/a
7.	Westdale	n/a	n/a
8.	Woodlawn	n/a	n/a



GEE Summer Remediation 2011 HIGH SCHOOLS

Dates & Times



1st Day of Class—Thursday, June 9, 2011
Classes End—Monday, June 27, 2011

Testing Dates—June 28th, 29th & 30th

Class times are 7:30 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. & 10:50 a.m. to 2:30p.m.
Monday thru Thursday

Locations

Summer school assignment is determined by the school attendance zones.
M-to-M, Choice and Magnet students will attend summer remediation according to their regular attendance zone for summer school.

Transportation

Bus transportation will be provided within existing attendance zones.

Meals

Breakfast is served from 7:10 a.m. until 7:30 a.m.
Lunch is served during 2nd class. *Meals are free for all participants.

Dress Code

School Uniform is required.

Discipline

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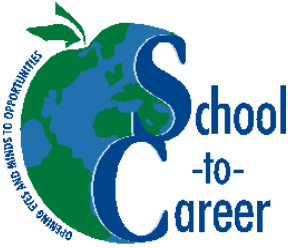
Attendance Policy

All enrolled students must be in attendance for the full class period, per subject, each day. No exceptions!

Students must be present all 10 days to receive credit.
Medical documentation will be required for days that students are not present.

	HOST SCHOOL	← 1ST SENDING SCHOOL	← 2ND SENDING SCHOOL
1.	Broadmoor	Belaire	n/a
2.	Tara	Woodlawn	n/a
3.	McKinley	Istrouma	n/a
4.	Northeast	n/a	n/a
5.	Glen Oaks	Scotlandville	n/a





EBR Career-Tech Education Corner

Scotlandville High Center of Excellence for Business Entrepreneurship

Scotlandville's Entrepreneurship Program is the must do part of the Center of Excellence for Business. It's a great field and is very much involved in today's American business arena. Working for yourself, at your own pace, doing something you love is only half of entrepreneurship.

Business entrepreneurs are those who lead the innovations in the world of commerce. They work hard and persevere. Being a risk-taker in the world of business, does not always secure wins. There are only two possibilities: winning and losing. Which ever phase confronts a good entrepreneur, he or she must know how to handle it.

COE Entrepreneurship is a full time four-year program for students entering 9th grade interested in organizing, managing and starting their own business or participating in a school based enterprise. This program allows all students, regardless of their academic standing or economic background, an opportunity to experience partnerships with local businesses.

Students participate in specialized courses and

are eligible to participate in Honors, Advanced placement and Dual Enrollment courses, if they qualify. Co-curricular activities include business plan competition, school based enterprises, Marketplace, and the Business Expo.

Scotlandville has the only business incubator in the school system with 14 offices, a conference area and all of the technology necessary to operate a business effectively and efficiently.

Our School-Based Enterprise (SBE) engages students in producing goods and services. The SBE is directly linked to the curriculum. Students actually run six businesses from their office space. SMHS SBE promotes discovery learning and student responsibility in the learning process.

Students will graduate with a solid foundation in core academics and entrepreneurship skills and will be prepared to continue a post-secondary education at colleges and universities.

Entrance Requirements:

- Open enrollment to 9th grade students
- Good attendance

- Maintain a 2.5 cumulative grade point average
- Agree to a 4 year commitment
- Sign a Center of Excellence contract

Program Features:

- Office incubator for student business
- A small learning environment
- Career diploma endorsement
- 90 hours of work-based learning
- Guest lecturers from successful multi-sized businesses
- Internships with local entrepreneurial companies
- Field trips
- Professional Dress Day
- Job Shadowing Day
- Conferences & competition

Call the school at (225) 775.3715 to schedule a tour.

Scotlandville Magnet High School
 9870 Scotland Avenue
 Baton Rouge, LA 70807

GO HORNETS!
 Ernest Morris, Principal



PARENT POWER

Belaire High School's Family Consumer Science II Class is Making a Difference

Belaire High School's Family Consumer Science II class is making a difference and Mrs. Shirley Hardy is paving the way.

"I saw the devastation in Haiti and wanted to do something for the region. Some people say, There's nothing that they can do! I disagree. There is a lot to do, so I decided to make

pillow-case dresses for children." Mrs. Hardy said.

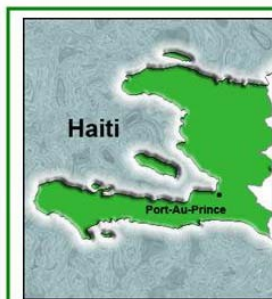
Our goal for this semester is to make twenty dresses and every semester continue to do the same, while adding another project.

The Family Consumer Science II class is on their way to a good start. The

need is great. One act of kindness can make a world of a difference.

Mrs. Hardy stated, "I am excited, enthused and can't wait to get my next year's group of children to participate".

At Belaire High School, we are paying it forward, one dress at a time!



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Robert Webb Jr.
Principal

Baton Rouge Public Safety Officer's Association, Inc. presents "Ballin' on the Bayou All-Star Weekend"



POLICE & FIRE NATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
Louisiana State University
Pete Maravich Assembly Ctr.

May 14th & 15th (Sat & Sun)

FREE EVENT 9am – Until

20+ Teams from around the nation!

Baton Rouge New Orleans Texas
New York Chicago Georgia
Alabama Jackson, MS

Police officers and firefighters from around the nation are on the move to Baton Rouge for the 3rd Annual Ballin' on the Bayou Law Enforcement Basketball Tournament. This basketball tournament will be held on May 14th & 15th at Louisiana State University in the Pete Maravich Assembly Center (P-Mac), and is free to the public. Teams participating consists of a lengthy list of police officers and firefighters from major cities across the United States. Represented cities include New York, Chicago, Dallas, Atlanta, and many more. Officers will kick off this All-Star Weekend with visits to local schools in the Baton Rouge area on Friday, May 13th.

Ballin' on the Bayou tournament guests will be officially welcomed at *The Ultimate All White Affair*, hosted at The Belle of Baton Rouge's Atrium Plaza. This meet-n-greet, scheduled for Friday evening, will be hosted by LaTangela Fay, a well known radio personality, and actress Meagan Good,

whose newest film is *Jumping The Broom*. The local band, U4ria (which performed for Live After Five on April 8, 2011), will be the musical guest of the evening. DJ Eagle Eye, a rising star in the industry, will serve as the disc jockey for the evening. Local political figures are also scheduled to make appearances to welcome the national guests of the tournament to our great city.

The *Ultimate All White Affair* also serves as a fundraiser for the Baton Rouge Public Safety Officers' Association, Inc. (BRPSOA), whose main event for the weekend is the 2nd Annual "Fit for Life" Kids Fitness Day. BRPSOA (founded by Ben Thomas III, Baton Rouge Fire Department) is a non-profit organization which acts as a bridge between police officers, firefighters and the youth of the community. The focus of the organization is physical fitness, and positive mentorship.

The 2nd Annual "Fit for Life"

Kids Fitness Day will take place on Saturday, May 14th from 9am – 1pm. This free event coincides with the law enforcement basketball tournament, and is hosted at Louisiana State University in the Carl Maddox Fieldhouse (next to the P-Mac). At the Kids Fitness Day, the youth of the community are exposed to a wide range of fun activities, as well as mentoring by different professionals. Children are also given prizes that encourage physical activity, and eating healthy. Special surprise guests are also set to appear for this event.

Ballin' on the Bayou also hosted it's first softball classic in 2010, and will be hosting the second annual softball classic later in the year. For more information on the Ballin' on the Bayou Mini All-Star Weekend, or to become a sponsor, visit www.brpsoa.com, or call Ben Thomas @ 225-937-6201. For information on the 2nd Annual "Fit for Life" Kids Fitness Day, call Ronetta @ 225-276-6669.



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FRIDAY • MAY 13TH 2011

FEATURING **MEAGAN GOOD**
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LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY **U4RIA**

WITH **DJ EAGLE EYE**
 AND **DJ FINESSE**

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FOR TICKETS, LOG ON TO WWW.BRPSOA.COM
 OR CALL (225) 937-6201



"Fit for Life"
Kids Fitness Day

Come join us for a day of fitness and fun!

Spacwalk Fun Activities Healthy Snacks

Saturday May 14, 2011
 9am – 1pm

Carl Maddox Field House
 (Louisiana State University)
 Next to the P-Mac Assembly Center

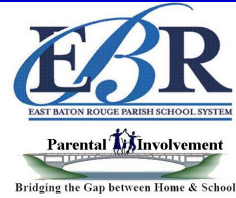
Register to Win a 20" bike!

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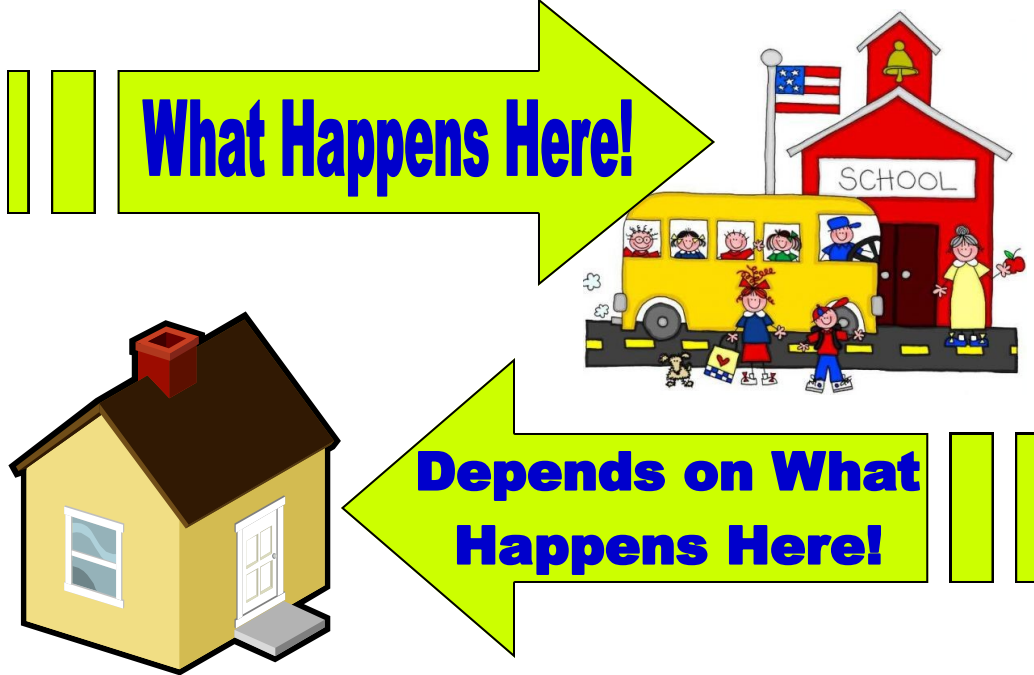
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Have you visited your child's school lately?



MAY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Last Day of School for Seniors	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Last Day of School for Students	25 Last Day of School Year	26	27	28
29	30	31				