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## Press Release

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### **DOTD Holds Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for School Credit Union**

**Baton Rouge, LA** – Every student at **Scotlandville Magnet High School**, including (*first photo, left to right*) **Alexis Jackson, Undrea Butler and Dakeil Butler**, were decked out in yellow T-shirts **January 28** during a **ribbon-cutting ceremony** for the school's credit union. The T-shirts bore the logo of **The Hornet's Nest Credit Union**, which will open **Wednesday, February 4**, at the high school.

It's a first for the **Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Federal Credit Union (LA DOTD FCU)**: a new credit union branch based in a high school. **The Hornet's Nest Credit Union** logo, created by **student contest winner Faith Starks**, features a hornet, the school mascot, holding a dollar bill. The slogan is "We won't sting your pockets!" The in-school branch leaders are students **LaChika George** and **Latressa Sawyer**.

Following remarks by **Principal Howard Davis** (*second photo with scissors*), **credit union Chief Executive Officer Cary J. Anderson** (*back row, center*), **vice president of credit union Literacy Danielle Scott** (*far right*), **East Baton Rouge Parish School System Superintendent Charlotte Placide** (*center with scissors*) and many others, a ribbon-cutting ceremony was held with students and staff in the school auditorium.

The actual credit union is **located upstairs in Building F, where the school business incubator program also is located. It will be open 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays** and offer members savings and checking accounts, check-cashing services, debit cards, deposit services and limited cash withdrawals. The Hornet's Nest will be staffed by students in the **Education for Careers class** at Scotlandville Magnet High School. They will be LA DOTD credit union employees. In addition, two Scotlandville senior students participating in **Louisiana's Cooperative Education program** hold paid positions at Hornet's Nest Credit Union as part-time employees at LA DOTD FCU. **For more information, contact Principal Davis at (225) 775-3715 or Scott at (225) 243-0511.**

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