

# FRENCH SETTLEMENT

Incoming Freshmen - Class of 2029

Incoming Sophomores - Class of 2028

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# CREDITS NEEDED FOR PROMOTION

Grade Level	Carnegie Units
9th	0
10th	6
11th	11
12th	17+

# **PATHS TO GRADUATION**

<b>TOPS University Diploma</b>	<b>Jump Start TOPS Tech Diploma</b>
Prepares students for entrance into a 4-year university	Prepares students for entrance into a 2-year college, vocational program, or workforce/employment
Earn a 4-year TOPS Scholarship	Earn a TOPS Tech Award
	Students may be eligible to transfer to a 4-year college after completing 60 academic hours



# DIPLOMA CURRICULA

	ENGLISH	MATH	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	ELECTIVES
<p><b>TOPS University</b> 24 <b>Carnegie Units</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English I</li> <li>English II</li> <li>English III</li> <li>English IV</li> </ul>	<p><b>4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Algebra I</li> <li>Geometry</li> <li>Algebra II</li> <li>Advanced Math</li> </ul>	<p><b>4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biology I</li> <li>Chemistry</li> <li>2 from Environmental Science, Biology II, Physics, A&amp;P</li> </ul>	<p><b>4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>US History</li> <li>Civics</li> <li>World Geography</li> <li>World History</li> </ul>	<p><b>8</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spanish I &amp; II</li> <li>PE I &amp; II</li> <li>Health</li> <li>Financial Literacy</li> <li>Art I or equivalent</li> <li>2 additional credits</li> </ul>
<p><b>Jump Start TOPS Tech</b> 23 <b>Carnegie Units</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English I</li> <li>English II</li> <li>Technical Writing</li> <li>Business English</li> </ul>	<p><b>4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Algebra I</li> <li>Geometry</li> <li>Financial Literacy</li> <li>Tran to College Math or equivalent</li> </ul>	<p><b>2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biology I</li> <li>Environment Science or equivalent</li> </ul>	<p><b>2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>US History</li> <li>Civics</li> </ul>	<p><b>11</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PE I &amp; II</li> <li>Health</li> <li>Career Readiness</li> <li>8 Pathway Credits</li> </ul>

# SHOULD I SWITCH TO JUMP START?

## Recommendations

- Below 2.5 cumulative GPA ----Switch
- Failed a core class, especially math ----Switch
- Unsatisfactory or Approaching Basic LEAP scores ----Switch
- Below 20 Composite on ACT ----Switch
- Below 19 in Math or 18 in English on ACT ----Switch
- Pursuing career that does NOT require a 4-year degree? ----  
Switch
- No desire to attend a 4-year university ----Switch

# 9TH GRADE COURSES

All Freshmen will take	Choose 2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English I or English I H</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agriscience I</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spanish II (Prereq Span I)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Algebra I</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Art I</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biology I</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Media I</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Basic Study I (part of IEP)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>US History</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food Science</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intro to Business Computer Application</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intro to Health Occupations</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PE I or Team Sports</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spanish I</li> </ul>	



# 10TH GRADE COURSES

Sophomores will take	Choose 3-4		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English II or English II H</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agriscience I</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nutrition &amp; Foods</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Study Skills (part of IEP)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geometry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agriscience II</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PE or Team Sports</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmental Sci or AP</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Art I</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yearbook I</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Civics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Media I</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spanish I</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Media II</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spanish II</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Responder</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Studio Art Design AP</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intro to Health Occs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Union Carpentry I</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medical Terminology</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Union Welding I</li> </ul>	

# GRADES

## Grading Scale

A - 90-100

B - 80-89

C - 70-79

D - 60-69

F - 0-59

## Weighted Grades

40% - Major Assessments

35% - Assessed for Accuracy

10% - Participation

15% - End of Semester

## Quality Points

Regular, Honors & Dual Enrollment Courses

A=4

B=3

C=2

D=1

F=0

## Quality Points

AP Courses

A=5

B=4

C=3

D=2

F=0

## What Grades Appear on the High School Transcript

- High school credits earned in junior high (P)
- Semester grades (1/2 credit in December & 1/2 credit in May)
- Edmentum grades (credit recovery & new credit)
- Credits earned outside the regular school day



# RANK

First in class gives the honors address at graduation

- Senior with the most quality points
- Tie breaker-ACT Composite

# HONOR GRADS

Sit in the front rows at graduation

Wear a special stole over their gown

- Summa Cum Laude
  - Weighted GPA: 3.75+
- Magna Cum Laude
  - Weighted GPA: 3.5 - 3.749

# GRAD CORDS

Earn cords to wear at graduation

- Advanced Certifications
  - CITF Carpentry Level 2
  - Medical Assistant
  - Adobe Visual Design Specialist
    - Photoshop & InDesign or Illustrator
  - Adobe Video Design Specialist
    - Photoshop & Premiere Pro
- 3+ on any Advanced Placement Exam
- 9+ Academic Dual Enrollment Hours
- 50+ on any CLEP Exam

# LEAP

End of course tests required in the following subjects accounting for 15% of the final grade:

## Score Levels

- Advanced - exceeds expectation
- Mastery - meets expectation
- Basic - nearly meets expectation
- \*Approaching Basic - partially meets expectation
- Unsatisfactory - does not meet expectation

## Subjects

- Freshmen Year
  - English I, Algebra I, Biology I
- Sophomore Year
  - English II, Geometry, Civics

\*Students must score at least Approaching Basic on one test per subject pair to graduate.



# GRADE POINT AVERAGE

**Cumulative GPA** - all high school letter grades averaged on a 4.0 scale

**Weighted GPA** - all grades included; AP courses on a 5.0 scale, others on a 4.0

**Core GPA** - only specific grades included

- **TOPS University:** 19 Core Units (English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language, Art)
- **Jump Start TOPS Tech:** 21 Core Units (English, Math, Science, Social Studies, 9 Jump Start courses)

**Notice: GPA in PowerSchool is not cumulative; it reflects current grades only**



# ACCELERATED COURSES

Grades, test scores, recommendations, attendance, and discipline affect enrollment eligibility

- **Honors (E)**: more rigorous than regular courses
- **Advanced Placement (AP)**: college-level courses with an AP exam for potential college credit
- **Academic Dual Enrollment (DE)**: core college courses earning both high school and college credit for academic degrees
- **Career & Technical Education Dual Enrollment (CTE DE)**: workforce-focused courses (e.g., welding, healthcare, IT) earning high school & technical college credit for certifications or technical diplomas

# ACT

Measures college readiness in English, Math, Reading & Science.

No age or grade level requirements; no waiting period to retake

## **FSHS Administrations**

- October - 10th, 11th & 12th graders may pay to take
- March - 10th & 12th graders may pay to take
  - 11th graders required to take; no charge

## **National Administrations (Saturdays)**

- Sign up online ([myact.org](http://myact.org))
- Offered in February, April, June, July, September, October, and December

# MINIMUM COLLEGE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

College Type	Core GPA	AND / OR	ACT Comp	AND / OR	College Math & English Placement Requirement
Flagship	3.0	OR	25	AND	College Math <b><u>AND</u></b> English Placement Eligible
Statewide	2.5	OR	23	AND	College Math <b><u>AND</u></b> English Placement Eligible
Regional	2.0	OR	20	AND	College Math <b><u>OR</u></b> English Placement eligible
HBCU	2.0	OR	20		N/A

\*College Math Placement Requirement  
3.0 Unweighted Cumulative GPA, or  
19 ACT Math Subscore

\*College English Placement Requirement  
3.0 Unweighted Cumulative GPA, or  
18 ACT English Subscore

Flagship - LSU

Statewide - LA Tech, ULL, UNO

Regional - LSU-A, LSU-S, McNeese, Nicholls, Northwestern, Southeastern, ULM

Historically Black Colleges & Universities - Grambling, Southern BR, Southern NO



# TOPS OPH

## TOPS OPH can be used for:

- Bachelor's and associate degrees at public LA colleges & universities
  - TOPS **O**ppportunity: 2.5 Core GPA / 20 ACT
    - covers a set amount of tuition for 4 years (8 semesters)
  - TOPS **P**erformance: 3.25 Core GPA / 23 ACT
    - Opportunity plus extra \$400 stipend/year
  - TOPS **H**onors: 3.5 Core GPA / 27 ACT
    - Opportunity plus extra \$800 stipend/year

## TOPS OPH cannot be used for:

- housing, books, fees, meal plans
- summer sessions; with some acceptations

Scan QR Code for  
current year TOPS  
Award Amounts



# TOPS Tech

## TOPS Tech Eligibility

- **2.5 Core GPA / 17 ACT or Silver WorkKeys**

## TOPS Tech can be used for:

- Associate degrees in technical/occupational fields
- Certain academic associate degrees at select LA universities
- Certificate and diploma programs at eligible technical and community colleges, proprietary schools, and cosmetology schools

## TOPS Tech does NOT cover:

- Bachelor's degrees
- Non-approved academic programs

**Scan QR code for list of approved schools & programs**



# LOSFA STUDENT HUB

The LOSFA Student Hub is an online portal for Louisiana students to track and manage TOPS Scholarships & other Louisiana-based grants & scholarships

Students will need a Louisiana Secure ID (LASECID) to create the account. Contact the office to get this 10-digit number

Scan the QR code to access a cheat sheet  
to create a Student Hub Account







**FSHS  
Website  
Counselor  
Pages  
Resources**

Classroom > 12th Grade (24-25)

- Home
- Calendar
- Teaching
- To review
- 7th Grade (24-25)
- 9th Grade (24-25)
- 8th Grade (24-25)
- 10th Grade (24-25)
- 11th Grade (24-25)
- 12th Grade (24-25)**
- Enrolled
- To-do
- FS Staff
- Archived classes
- Settings

Stream **Classwork** People Grades

# GRADE-LEVEL SPECIFIC GOOGLE CLASSROOM RESOURCES

## FAFSA

- Why Complete the FAFSA?
- Complete the FAFSA: Step 1
- Complete the FAFSA: Step 2
- Federal Student Aid Information Center (...)
- FAFSA Help Flyer by Lela
- FAFSA Completion Guide by Lela

## TOPS Scholarships/TOPS Tech Award

- TOPS Tracker (LOSFA Student Hub)
- TOPS Opportunity, Performance, & Hono...
- TOPS Tech Award

## SCHOLARSHIPS

- Baton Rouge Boat Club
- WD-40 / NAPA / TechForce Foundation
- Scholarship List

**FRENCH SETTLEMENT  
HIGH SCHOOL**

Grades  
+ Medication

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