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### **October is Louisiana College Application Month**

BATON ROUGE – October has been proclaimed as “Louisiana College Application Month” by both Governor Bobby Jindal and the Louisiana Board of Regents.

Louisiana College Application Month is coordinated by the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) and Louisiana GEAR UP in partnership with the University of Louisiana System, Louisiana Board of Regents, Louisiana Education Loan Authority (LELA), Council of Student Body Presidents (COSBP), Louisiana Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (LACRAO), Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (LAICU), the Louisiana Technical College System (LCTCS), the Lafayette GEAR UP program, and Louisiana TRIO programs.

Louisiana College Application Month will be held at 56 high schools across the state throughout the month of October. As part of the American College Application Campaign (ACAC) initiative, Louisiana College Application Month seeks to increase the number of students who are applying to college early in their senior year with a focus on first-generation and low-income students as well as students who may not otherwise apply to college.

According to Louisiana State University Associate Vice Chancellor of Enrollment Management, Dr. David D. Kurpius, applying before November of the high school senior year:

- Increases your opportunity to get the on-campus housing you desire
- Increases your opportunities for high-performing student programs
- Increases your chances for admission to the Honors College
- Increases your opportunities to be considered for discipline (major) specific (institutional) scholarships
- Increases the assistance you will get from the university to help you enroll
- Increases your opportunities to participate in pre-college programs

LOSFA Executive Director, Dr. Sujuan Boutté, added, “Applying early also increases your chances of being accepted to your first choice school; increases your likelihood of being able to apply and be accepted to summer bridge programs that allow you to get a head start at the

institution; and increases your ability to plan in advance for any fees associated with enrollment-which occur before scholarships, grants and loans are disbursed.”

During Louisiana College Application Month, students at participating high schools will be assisted as they complete college applications during the school day with the goal of each participating student submitting at least one college application. During Louisiana College Application Month, students may apply to any of Louisiana’s 10 community colleges, 10 independent colleges, and 18 public universities.

“The University of Louisiana System is excited to partner with LOSFA and Louisiana GEAR UP on this initiative. All nine of our universities are participating in Louisiana College Application Month, and our goal is to have a representative at every single event this October. Our system is the largest in the state, enrolling almost 89,000 students and producing over 16,500 degrees every year. Yet, we are strategically ramping up efforts to enroll and graduate students to meet projected growths in middle and high skill jobs over the next several years,” said UL System President Dr. Sandra K. Woodley.

In part, the Governor’s Proclamation reads, “Whereas the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) in collaboration with other state agencies, higher education institutions and college access programs are working together to connect learners with opportunities for greater access, persistence and demonstrable success across the state; and whereas, all Louisiana high school seniors may participate in this initiative, thereby receiving assistance from trained school staff and volunteers in completing a college application; now, therefore, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim October 2014 as LOUISIANA COLLEGE APPLICATION MONTH in the State of Louisiana.” (The complete text of both proclamations is attached.)

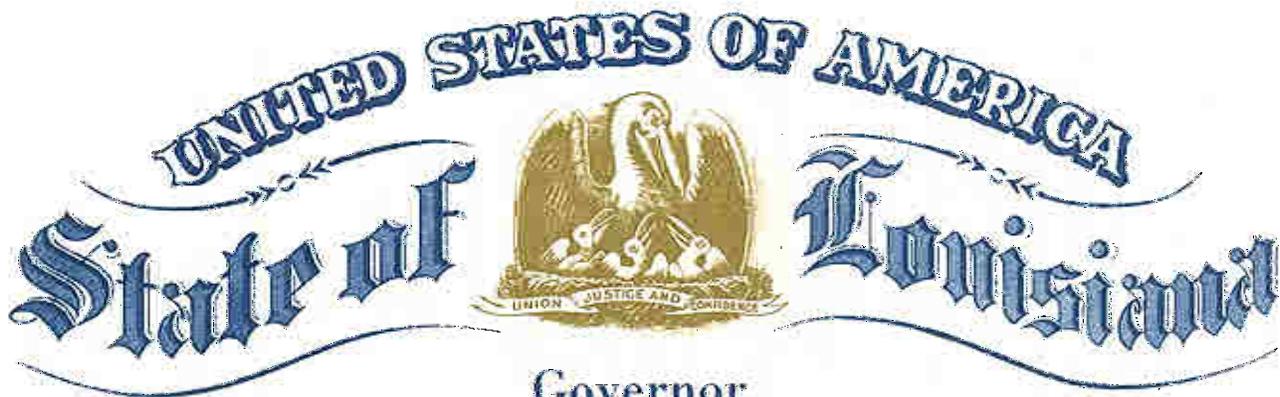
According to the United States Department of Education, young adults with a postsecondary credential degree earn more than those with just a high school diploma or its equivalent. College is defined as any education beyond high school. “Thus, Dr. Boutté added, “there are many college paths ranging from certificates and credentials to four-year degrees; all of which can be paid for with various LOSFA awards. Whether you start with TOPS Tech Early Start in high school and earn up to 24 hours of college credit in a top-demand occupation; TOPS Tech to earn a two-year degree; or TOPS to enroll in and complete a four-year degree: It’s your choice, it’s your future, and you can count on LOSFA to help.”

In 2013, the LOSFA-administered Louisiana GEAR UP program, in conjunction with the Lafayette GEAR UP program, conducted a Louisiana College Application Week pilot program. The pilot program was conducted in 25 Louisiana GEAR UP and Lafayette GEAR UP high schools and helped 1,049 students complete at least one college application. Due to the success of the Louisiana College Application Week pilot, LOSFA has expanded this initiative from one week to the entire month of October and is inviting all interested Louisiana high schools to participate.

To join the discussion about Louisiana College Application Month on Twitter, follow #ApplyToCollege.

A list of participating high schools is attached. For more information go to [www.osfa.la.gov](http://www.osfa.la.gov) or call 800-259-5626.

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Governor  
**Bobby Jindal**

## Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** according to the United States Department of Education, young adults with a postsecondary credentials degree earn more than those without a high school diploma or its equivalent; and
- WHEREAS,** a high school education alone is no longer sufficient and will not guarantee a student will be on the path to being gainfully employed in a career track that will provide a livable wage and sustainable quality of life; and
- WHEREAS,** the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) in collaboration with other state agencies, higher education institutions and college access programs are working together to connect learners with opportunities for greater access, persistence, and demonstrable success across the state; and
- WHEREAS,** all Louisiana high school seniors may participate in this initiative, thereby receiving assistance from trained school staff and volunteers in completing a college application.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim October 2014 as

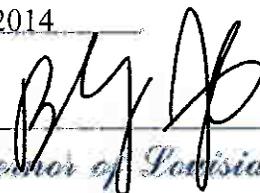
**LOUISIANA COLLEGE APPLICATION MONTH**  
in the State of Louisiana.



*Attest By*  
*The Governor*

  
Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set*  
*my hand officially and caused to be affixed the*  
*Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the*  
*Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this*  
the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October  
A.D. 2014

  
Governor of Louisiana

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, according to the United States Department of Education, young adults with a postsecondary credential or degree earn more than those without a high school diploma or its equivalent; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the American Council on Education, college graduates are half as likely to be unemployed as those with only a high school diploma and are also more likely to vote and be leaders in their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, a high school education alone is no longer sufficient and will not guarantee a student will become gainfully employed in a career that will provide a livable wage and sustainable quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) in collaboration with other state agencies, higher education institutions and college access programs are working together to connect students with opportunities for greater access to success by increasing the number of students completing the college admissions process; and

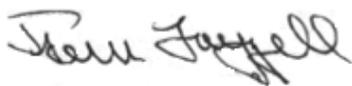
**WHEREAS**, all Louisiana high school seniors may participate in this initiative, thereby receiving assistance from trained educational staff, business and industry personnel and community volunteers in completing a college application.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Regents of the State of Louisiana hereby proclaim October 2014 as LOUISIANA COLLEGE APPLICATION MONTH.

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I, W. Clinton "Bubba" Rasberry, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Regents of Louisiana, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the said Board of Regents at a Board meeting, duly called and held on September 25, 2014 at which meeting more than a quorum was present and voted.

In witness thereof, I have signed my name and affixed the official seal of said Board of Regents at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.



Tom Layzell  
Senior Advisor to the Board



W. Clinton "Bubba" Rasberry, Jr., Chairman  
Louisiana Board of Regents

| High School/Address                       | Date(s)/Time          | Location    | Students | Parish    |
|---|-----------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| <b>Crowley High School</b>                | Oct. 16               | CHS Commons | 132      | Acadia    |
| 263 Hensgens Road                         | 9:00 a.m.             | Area        |          |           |
| Crowley, LA 70526                         |                       |             |          |           |
| <b>Elizabeth High School</b>              | Oct. 6 (8:00 a.m.) or | Auditorium  | 25       | Allen     |
| 440 Live Oak St.                          | Oct. 8 (9:00 a.m.)    |             |          |           |
| Elizabeth, LA 70638                       |                       |             |          |           |
| <b>Oakdale High School</b>                | Oct. 8                | Library     | 52       | Allen     |
| 101 N. 13th St.                           | 7:45 a.m.             |             |          |           |
| Oakdale, LA 71463                         |                       |             |          |           |
| <b>Oberlin High School</b>                | Oct. 21               | Library     | 40       | Allen     |
| 1 Tiger Lane                              | 9:00 a.m.             |             |          |           |
| Oberlin, LA 70655                         |                       |             |          |           |
| <b>Avoyelles High School</b>              | Oct. 2                | Library     | 141      | Avoyelles |
| 287 Main St.                              | 7:45-3:00             |             |          |           |
| Moreauville, LA 71355                     |                       |             |          |           |
| <b>Bunkie High School</b>                 |                       |             | 63       | Avoyelles |
| 435 Evergreen St.                         |                       |             |          |           |
| Bunkie, LA 71322                          |                       |             |          |           |
| <b>Marksville High School</b>             | Oct. 22 and 23        | Lab         | 100      | Avoyelles |
| 407 W. Bon Temps St.                      | 11:30-3:00 p.m.       |             |          |           |
| Marksville, LA 71351                      |                       |             |          |           |
| <b>Green Oaks Performing Arts Academy</b> | Oct. 23 or 28         | Library     | 80       | Caddo     |
| 2550 Thomas E. Howard                     | 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. |             |          |           |
| Shreveport, LA 71107                      |                       |             |          |           |

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| <b>Broadmoor High School</b><br>10100 Goodwood Blvd.<br>Baton Rouge, LA 70815      |                             |                   | 267      | East Baton Rouge |
| <b>Glen Oaks High School</b><br>6650 Cedar Grove Dr.<br>Baton Rouge, LA 70812      | Oct. 21-23<br>4:00-6:00     | Computer Tech Lab | 108      | East Baton Rouge |
| <b>Scotlandville Magnet HS</b><br>9870 Scotland Ave.<br>Baton Rouge, LA 70807      | Oct. 21<br>6:00 p.m.        | Library           | 300      | East Baton Rouge |
| <b>Tara High School</b><br>9002 Whitehall Ave.<br>Baton Rouge, LA 70806            |                             |                   | 217      | East Baton Rouge |
| <b>East Feliciana High</b><br>3501 Hwy. 10<br>Jackson, LA 70748                    | Oct. 10 & 21<br>8:30A/6:00P | 2 computer labs   | 85       | East Feliciana   |
| <b>Jeanerette High School</b><br>8217 E. Old Spanish Trail<br>Jeanerette, LA 70544 | Oct. 22<br>8:30 a.m.        | Computer Lab      | 62       | Iberia           |
| <b>Westgate High School</b><br>2305 Jefferson Island Rd.<br>New Iberia, LA 70560   | Oct. 20-24                  | 6 Computer Labs   | 239      | Iberia           |
| <b>East Iberville HS</b><br>3285 Highway 75<br>St. Gabriel, LA 70776               | Oct. 8<br>6:00 p.m.         | Mac Lab           | 7        | Iberville        |

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| <b>Iberville Math Science Arts</b> | Oct. 23          | Mac Lab           | 10       | Iberville |
| Hwy. 30                            | 5:00 p.m.        |                   |          |           |
| St. Gabriel, LA 70776              |                  |                   |          |           |
| <b>IMSA East Campus</b>            | Oct. 23          | Mac Lab           | 10       | Iberville |
|                                    | 5:00 p.m.        |                   |          |           |
|                                    |                  |                   |          |           |
| <b>IMSA West Campus</b>            | Oct. 16          | Classroom         | 50       | Iberville |
|                                    | 9:30 a.m.        |                   |          |           |
|                                    |                  |                   |          |           |
| <b>Plaquemine High School</b>      | Oct. 27 & 28     | Computer Lab      | 147      | Iberville |
| 59595 Belleview Dr.                | 9:00 a.m.        |                   |          |           |
| Plaquemine, LA 70764               |                  |                   |          |           |
|                                    |                  |                   |          |           |
| <b>White Castle HS</b>             | Oct. 9           | Computer Lab      | 17       | Iberville |
| 32695 Graham St                    | 8:00 a.m.        |                   |          |           |
| White Castle, LA 70788             |                  |                   |          |           |
|                                    |                  |                   |          |           |
| <b>Bonnabel High School</b>        | Oct. 13-17       | Rm. 7-217 & 7-214 | 300      | Jefferson |
| 2801 Bruin Dr.                     | 8:50 a.m.        |                   |          |           |
| Kenner, LA 70065                   |                  |                   |          |           |
|                                    |                  |                   |          |           |
| <b>Fisher Middle/High School</b>   | Oct. 16          | Computer Lab      | 40       | Jefferson |
| 2529 Jean Lafitte Blvd.            | 8:00-2:00 p.m.   | Rm. 501           |          |           |
| Lafitte, LA 70067                  |                  |                   |          |           |
|                                    |                  |                   |          |           |
| <b>Acadiana High School</b>        | Oct. 16          | Library           | 321      | Lafayette |
| 315 Rue Du Belier                  | 7:05 AM -2:35 PM |                   |          |           |
| Lafayette, LA 70506                |                  |                   |          |           |
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| <b>Carencro High School</b>                | Oct. 15              | Computer Lab     | 205      | Lafayette  |
| 721 W. Butcher Switch Rd.                  | 7:05 AM -2:27 PM     |                  |          |            |
| Carencro, LA 70520                         |                      |                  |          |            |
| <b>Comeaux High School</b>                 | Oct. 17              | Library          | 100      | Lafayette  |
| 100 W. Bluebird Dr.                        | 7:05 AM - 2:34 PM    |                  |          |            |
| Lafayette, LA 70508                        |                      |                  |          |            |
| <b>David Thibodaux STEM Magnet Academy</b> | Oct. 14              | "Bulldog"        | 50       | Lafayette  |
| 805 Teurlings Drive                        | 6:50 AM -2:10 PM     | Computer Lab     |          |            |
| Lafayette, LA 70501                        |                      |                  |          |            |
| <b>Early College Academy</b>               | Oct. 13 (2-3 p.m.)   | Rm. 310          | 20       | Lafayette  |
| 320 Devalcourt St.                         | Oct. 14 (9:30-10:30) | Rm. 217          | 13       |            |
| Lafayette, LA 70506                        | Oct. 15 (11-12)      | Rm. 217          | 20       |            |
| <b>Lafayette High School</b>               | Oct. 14              | P5R Computer Lab | 551      | Lafayette  |
| 3000 W. Congress St.                       | 7:05 AM - 2:35 PM    |                  |          |            |
| Lafayette, LA 70506                        |                      |                  |          |            |
| <b>Northside High School</b>               | Oct. 13              | Computer Lab     | 153      | Lafayette  |
| 301 Dunand St.                             | 7:04 AM - 2:34 PM    |                  |          |            |
| Lafayette, LA 70501                        |                      |                  |          |            |
| <b>Doyle High School</b>                   | Oct. 20-25           | TBD              | 75       | Livingston |
| P.O. Box 160                               | Time TBD             |                  |          |            |
| Livingston, LA 70740                       |                      |                  |          |            |
| <b>Live Oak High School</b>                | Oct. 22              | LOHS Classroom   | 275      | Livingston |
| 36079 LA Hwy. 16                           |                      | Bldg.            |          |            |
| Denham Springs, LA 70706                   |                      |                  |          |            |

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| <b>Bastrop High School</b>     | Oct. 16 and 23    | Media Center    | 216      | Morehouse     |
| 402 Highland Ave.              | 7:25-10:23 a.m. & |                 |          |               |
| Bastrop, LA 71220              | 7:25 & 11:24 a.m. |                 |          |               |
| <b>Natchitoches Central HS</b> | Oct. 8            | TBD             | 300      | Natchitoches  |
| 6513 Hwy. 1 Bypass             | 10:50 a.m.        |                 |          |               |
| Natchitoches, LA 71457         |                   |                 |          |               |
| <b>Dr. MLK Charter HS</b>      | Oct.1             | Library         | 40       | Orleans       |
| 1617 Caffin Ave.               | 11:30 a.m.        |                 |          |               |
| New Orleans, LA 70117          |                   |                 |          |               |
| <b>Lake Area New Tech</b>      | Oct. 14           | Atrium          | 100      | Orleans       |
| <b>Early College HS</b>        | 12:00-2:00 p.m.   |                 |          |               |
| 6026 Paris Ave.                |                   |                 |          |               |
| New Orleans, LA 70122          |                   |                 |          |               |
| <b>Landry-Walker HS</b>        | Oct. 14-16        |                 | 324      | Orleans       |
| 1200 LB Landry Ave.            |                   |                 |          |               |
| New Orleans, LA 70114          |                   |                 |          |               |
| <b>Warren Easton Sr. High</b>  | Oct. 7 and 8      | Library         | 240      | Orleans       |
| 3019 Canal St.                 |                   |                 |          |               |
| New Orleans, LA 70119          |                   |                 |          |               |
| <b>NO Accelerated HS #1 CP</b> | Oct. 21 & 22      | Conference Room | 18       | Orleans ReNew |
|                                | 10:30 - 1:00 p.m. |                 |          |               |
|                                |                   |                 |          |               |
| <b>NO Accelerated HS #2 WB</b> | Oct. 21 & 22      | Conference Room | 17       | Orleans ReNew |
|                                | 10:30 - 1:00 p.m. |                 |          |               |
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| <b>Bolton High School</b>   | Oct. 14        | Room 114     | 50       | Rapides   |
| 2101 Vance Ave.             | 5:00-6:00 p.m. |              |          |           |
| Alexandria, LA 71301        |                |              |          |           |
| <b>Red River High</b>       | Oct. 14        | Library      | 79       | Red River |
| 915 E. Carrol St.           | 8:00-3:00      |              |          |           |
| Coushatta, LA 71019         |                |              |          |           |
| <b>Mangham High School</b>  |                |              | 58       | Richland  |
| 810 Main Street             |                |              |          |           |
| Mangham, LA 71259           |                |              |          |           |
| <b>Rayville High School</b> | Oct. 21        | Library &    | 102      | Richland  |
| 193 Louisiana 3048          | 6:00 p.m.      | Computer Lab |          |           |
| Rayville, LA 71269          |                |              |          |           |
| <b>Converse High School</b> | Oct. 20        | Library      | 26       | Sabine    |
| 400 Wildcat Dr.             | 6:00 p.m.      |              |          |           |
| Converse, LA 71419          |                |              |          |           |
| <b>Florien High School</b>  | Oct. 7         |              | 38       | Sabine    |
| 500 High School             | 6:00 p.m.      |              |          |           |
| Florien, LA 71429           |                |              |          |           |
| <b>Many High School</b>     | Oct. 28        | Cafeteria    | 71       | Sabine    |
| 100 Tiger Dr.               | 5:00           |              |          |           |
| Many, LA 71449              |                |              |          |           |
| <b>Negreet High School</b>  | Oct. 28        |              | 24       | Sabine    |
| 4129 Louisiana 476          | 2:00 p.m.      |              |          |           |
| Many, LA 71449              |                |              |          |           |

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| <b>Pleasant Hill High School</b>              | Oct. 7                |                  | 20       | Sabine               |
| 2601 W. 2nd St.                               | 6:00 p.m.             |                  |          |                      |
| Pleasant Hill, LA 71065                       |                       |                  |          |                      |
| <b>Hahnville High School</b>                  | Oct. 14, 15, 16       | High School      | 340      | St. Charles          |
| 200 Tiger Dr.                                 | 7:00-2:30             | Lab 1            |          |                      |
| Boutte, LA 70039                              | 9:30-2:30             |                  |          |                      |
|   | 2:00-6:00             |                  |          |                      |
| <b>East St. John High School</b>              | Oct. 6 & 7            | Computer Lab     | 279      | St. John the Baptist |
| 1880 Louisiana 44                             | 7:30 - 2:00 p.m.      |                  |          |                      |
| Reserve, LA 70084                             |                       |                  |          |                      |
| <b>West St. John High</b>                     | Oct. 14               | Computer Lab     | 30       | St. John the Baptist |
| 480 Louisiana 3127                            | 9:00 a.m.             |                  |          |                      |
| Edgard, La 70049                              |                       |                  |          |                      |
| <b>Magnet Academy of Cultural Arts (MACA)</b> | Oct. 24               | Computer Lab     | 20       | St. Landry           |
| 1100 East Leo Street                          | 8:41-9:32 a.m.        |                  |          |                      |
| Opelousas, LA 70570                           |                       |                  |          |                      |
| <b>Breaux Bridge HS</b>                       | Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | Advisory Classes | 185      | St. Martin           |
| 1015 BBHS Road                                | 1:00-1:30             |                  |          |                      |
| Breaux Bridge, LA 70517                       |                       |                  |          |                      |
| <b>Ponchatoula HS</b>                         | Oct. 6                | Sr. English      | 379      | Tangipahoa           |
| 19452 Hwy. 22                                 | 7:30 a.m.             | Classrooms       |          |                      |
| Ponchatoula, LA 70454                         |                       |                  |          |                      |
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| <b>Terrebonne High School</b>   | Oct. 23      | Computer Lab | 200      | Terrebonne |
| 7318 Main Street                | 7:30 a.m.    | Classroom    |          |            |
| Houma, LA 70360                 |              |              |          |            |
| <b>Union Parish High School</b> | Oct. 22 & 23 |              | 123      | Union      |
| 300 Anthony St.                 |              |              |          |            |
| Farmerville, LA 71241           |              |              |          |            |