

## Vermilion Parish School System Achieves Growth in 2022-2023 School and District Performance Scores

Vermilion Parish, 11/13/23 — On Monday, the Louisiana Department of Education released district and school performance scores for the 2022-2023 school year. The Vermilion Parish School System is proud to announce and celebrate an outstanding 1.9 point increase in its overall performance scores for the 2022-2023 academic year.

Superintendent Tommy Byler shared his thoughts on this accomplishment saying, “This remarkable achievement not only reflects the unwavering commitment to excellence, but also highlights the efforts of students, educators, parents, and all of our Vermilion stakeholders.”

**Vermilion Parish Ranks #1 in the Acadiana** area and is the only district in the area to achieve “A” status. The Vermilion Parish School System had a 1.9 point growth from last year and has achieved “A” status once again as we rebound from the challenges of the pandemic.

Ranking	District	SPS	Letter Grade
1	Vermilion	91.1	A
2	Lafayette	87.3	B
3	Acadia	81.2	B
4	St. Mary	80.8	B
5	Iberia	80.3	B
6	Evangeline	78.3	B
7	St. Landry	73.1	C
8	St. Martin	72.8	C

The Vermilion Parish School System also is proud to announce that our district ranks as one of the **TOP 10 districts in the State of Louisiana**.

Ranking	District	SPS	Letter Grade
1	Zachary	97.1	A
2	West Feliciana	95.8	A
3	Ascension	93.7	A
4	Desoto	93.7	A
5	Cameron	93.6	A
6	Lincoln	93.3	A
7	Central	92.4	A
8	Plaquemines	91.9	A
9	Vermilion	91.1	A
10	Vernon	90.5	A

“We are very proud of where our system’s accomplishments have placed us. Being the top school system in the Acadiana area, once again is exciting. On the state level, we were excited to move up one spot. More impressive for our teachers and students is that of the top 10 schools, Vermilion had the fourth highest district growth,” added Byler.

## Unprecedented Success at Individual Schools

The success of the district was a direct reflection of the accomplishments of our individual schools. In a year that saw 15 of our 20 schools grow, here are a couple of highlights from schools reaching all time SPS scores in this year's accountability grades. This extraordinary accomplishment extends to the individual schools within the Vermilion Parish School System.

**Cecil Picard Elementary** celebrated a 5.0 point growth in performance scores, achieving its highest-ever performance score of 96.5 A.

**Kaplan High School** achieved its highest performance score ever at 108.1, with a notable 1.0 point increase from last year.

**Seventh Ward Elementary** reached new heights with a performance score of 94.9 A, reflecting a 1.8 point increase, and also reached its highest performance score ever.

**Dozier Elementary** achieved a huge milestone of success with a remarkable 6.5 point growth in performance scores, marking its highest performance score ever at 93.4 A.

**Rene A. Rost Middle School** also achieved its highest performance score ever at 79.5, showcasing a 1.0 point increase.

## Significant Growth at Individual Schools

While 15 of the 20 schools did show growth, we want to recognize the following for exemplary growth:

School	22-23 SPS	Growth
Jesse Owens Elementary	84.8 B	6.6 point growth
Dozier Elementary	93.4 A	6.5 point growth
North Vermilion Middle	86.4 B	5.1 point growth
Cecil Picard Elementary	96.5 A	5.0 point growth
Gueydan High	88.8 B	5.0 point growth
J.H. Williams Middle	60.0 C	5.0 point growth
Herod Elementary	60.5 C	4.2 point growth
North Vermilion High	105.4 A	3.6 point growth

Byler added, “Any growth is our ultimate goal, but when we see large amounts of growth from some of our schools, it is a testament to all of the efforts of our students, teachers and school leaders that they were able to execute their schoolwide goals and plans.”

## Letter Grade Gains

Three of our schools moved up in letter grade status and we are proud of these accomplishments as well.

School	21-22 SPS	22-23 SPS	Growth
Dozier Elementary	86.9 B	93.4 A	6.5 point growth
J.H. Williams Middle	55.0 D	60.0 C	5.0 point growth
Herod Elementary	56.3 D	60.5 C	4.2 point growth

## VPSS High Schools

The Vermilion Parish School System is proud to announce the remarkable achievements of its five high schools, which have earned well-deserved recognition for their outstanding performance. Among these institutions, Erath High School has truly shone by securing the 4th position in the state for traditional public high schools, closely followed by Kaplan High School, which stands at 5th. Not to be outdone, North Vermilion High School has earned its place at 11th.

“When you look at our scores in totality, it is a great accomplishment for the district. We know, however, that we have areas that can still be improved. We will continue to work hard on striving for greater excellence and achievement in this ever changing world of education,” Byler added.