

SCHOOL CHOICE IN LOUISIANA



TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

- ✓ Free public schools based on your physical address or zone
- ✓ Open enrollment may be available in some districts or in specific situations (transferring out of a school in academic distress)
- ✓ Transportation may be available
- ✓ Funding may be available for students needing literacy tutoring or support



PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

- ✓ Free public schools
- ✓ Must take any student who applies if there is a seat available - including students with disabilities
- ✓ Schools have fixed application deadlines
- ✓ If applications exceed available seats, a lottery is held



PUBLIC MAGNET SCHOOL

- ✓ Free public schools
- ✓ May have entrance exams or performance auditions
- ✓ Schools have fixed application deadlines



PRIVATE SCHOOL

- ✓ Money families spend on private schooling can be deducted from their taxable income
- ✓ Scholarships funded by donors who receive tax credits are available - eligibility based on income
- ✓ State-funded tuition vouchers are available for students with disabilities or low-income students
- ✓ State-funded accounts that can pay for tuition and other expenses are available if eligible



ONLINE LEARNING

- ✓ Free, full-time online programs are available
- ✓ Some public school districts have their own online or hybrid programs



HOMESCHOOL & MICROSCHOOL

- ✓ Independent, parent-driven education
- ✓ Funding may be available
- ✓ Notice of intent to homeschool is required annually
- ✓ Specific subjects and assessments are required
- ✓ Homeschooled students may be eligible to participate in classes, sports, or activities at their local public school - restrictions apply
- ✓ Microschools - students gathered in small groups to learn are available

