Louisiana Fast Facts

35%
Louisiana Residents think K–12 education in Louisiana is headed in the right direction.

Louisiana Parents’ Schooling Preferences If Cost & Transportation Weren’t Factors

Public District School: 40.0%
Charter School: 12.0%
Private School: 40.0%
Home School: 4.0%
Don’t Know/Didn’t Answer: 4.0%

Where K–12 Louisiana Students Attend School Now

Public District School: 73.9%
Charter School: 9.4%
Private School: 14.0%
Home School: 1.6%
Don’t Know/Didn’t Answer: 1.1%

Louisiana K–12 Education Spending
$8.5 Billion
Total Louisiana Public Education Revenue

Louisiana Public Education Funding Sources

State: 56.0%
Local: 33.0%
Federal: 11.0%

School Spending/Costs By Sector

$12,526 Avg. Louisiana Total Spending Per Pupil (Public)
$5,381 Avg. Cost Per Pupil (Elementary and Secondary School Tuition/Scholarships)

$12,030 Avg. Louisiana Total Spending Per Pupil (Charter)
$6,325 Avg. Cost Per Pupil (Charter School Tuition/Scholarships)

$11,004 Avg. National Private K-12 Tuition Per Pupil
$2,491 Avg. Cost Per Pupil (Scholarship Program for Certain Students with Exceptionalities)

$4,209 Avg. Cost Per Pupil (Tuition Donation Credit Program)
$5,381 Avg. Cost Per Pupil (Elementary and Secondary School Tuition Deduction)

Louisiana Education Spending Out of Total

Public District Schools
Charter Schools
Private School Choice (all programs combined)

State Student Transportation Statutes

INTER-DISTRICT
The receiving district is responsible for transportation when a student transfers to a school closer to the student’s residence than the student’s assigned school. When a student transfers from a low-performing school, the sending district must provide transportation.

CHARTER SCHOOL
Charter schools can negotiate with local school boards to provide transportation services.

PRIVATE SCHOOL
Louisiana does not require or provide transportation of private school students.