

Raising the Bar In

LOUISIANA



Under the Biden-Harris Administration, the U.S. Department of Education has invested **over \$7 billion** to strengthen education across Louisiana.



Accelerating academic achievement and excellence in Louisiana



Boldly improving learning conditions in Louisiana

- \$2.6 billion to address the impacts of COVID-19 on students and schools.
- \$1.3 billion to support 540,000 high-need students an increase of \$50 million under the Biden-Harris Administration.
- ◆ \$831 million to support 96,000 students with disabilities

 —an increase of \$22 million under the Biden-Harris

 Administration.
- \$21.3 million to over 35 high-need districts to reduce gun violence and create safe school environments. This builds on \$109 million invested statewide to support safe and healthy students and provide a well-rounded education.
- ◆ \$1.5 million to prepare additional mental health professionals to serve Louisiana's schools.
- **\$1 million** to create 2 new full-service community schools in Louisiana.
- \$178 million to support recruitment, retention, and professional learning for Louisiana's 41,000 teachers.
- ◆ \$11 million in competitive grants to recruit and develop highly-qualified educators, support affordable pathways into teaching, and address the needs of all learners.
- Average teacher pay has increased by more than \$2,000 since 2021.
- Louisiana has an approved registered apprenticeship program for teachers.
- ✓ Under the Biden-Harris Administration, federal investments have helped create more than 1,300 education jobs in Louisiana since 2020.



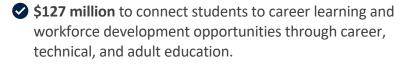
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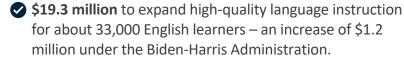
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Creating pathways for global engagement for Louisiana







Increasing college affordability, quality, and completion for Louisiana

- ◆ \$109 million to increase college access and success for lowincome and first-generation students, and students with disabilities.
- **♦ \$143 million** to support 6 Historically Black Colleges and Universities and 4 Minority Serving Institutions.
- \$1.9 million to meet students' basic needs and reduce nonacademic barriers to college success.



Delivering student debt relief for Louisiana

- More than 11,600 public servants in Louisiana have received loan forgiveness since 2021, totaling more than \$923 million in relief.
- More than 61,500 student loan discharges approved for Louisiana, totaling more than \$2.5 billion in relief for borrowers.

All figures as of July 2024.



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