

# Northwestern basketball sets attendance guidelines

Like most everything else in 2020, Northwestern State men's and women's basketball games inside Prather Coliseum will have a different look for the 2020-21 season.

Because of the novel coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, the

NSU Athletic Department has announced some changes for the upcoming men's and women's basketball seasons, including:

Fans will be required to wear masks upon entry and while walking through the arena and while in their seats unless

they are eating or drinking. Fans also will be asked to adhere to social distancing policies within the seating bowl.

Seating capacity in Prather Coliseum will be limited to 1,000 fans per game with NSU student attendance capped at 200.

Students who plan to attend games will need to claim their tickets in advance. Instructions on how to do so will be made available through the Northwestern State Athletic Ticket Office.

Admission to the arena will be limited to the main Prather Coliseum entrance,

which faces Chaplin's Lake. Additionally, the main portals on the south end of the court will not be available for fans to enter the seating area.

Fans will be admitted to their seats through the portals on the sides of the concourses.

## Public Notices

### NOTICE

Proposed Constitutional Amendment to be voted on at the Open General/Congressional/Republican State Central Committee Election December 5, 2020

CODING: Words which are struck through are deletions from existing law; words in **boldface type and/or underscored** are additions.

Proposed Amendment  
Second Extraordinary Session, 2020

ACT No. 10

SENATE BILL NO. 44

BY SENATORS FIELDS, ABRAHAM, BARROW, BERNARD, BOUDREAU, BOUIE, CARTER, CATHEY, CORTEZ, FESI, FOIL, HARRIS, JACKSON, JOHNS, LAMBERT, MCMATH, MILLIGAN, ROBERT MILLS, MIZELL, MORRIS, PEACOCK, POPE, PRICE, REESE, SMITH, TALBOT, TARVER, WARD AND WOMACK

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VIII, Sections 6(B)(1), 7(B)(1), and 7.1(B)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the membership of postsecondary education boards of supervisors; to authorize the governor to appoint persons who reside out-of-state to the boards of supervisors under certain circumstances; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VIII, Sections 6(B)(1), 7(B)(1), and 7.1(B)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§6. Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System

Section 6.

(B)(1) Membership; Terms. The board shall be composed of fifteen members of whom two members shall be from each congressional district and the remaining member or members shall be from the state at large, appointed by the governor with consent of the Senate. **Two members shall be from each congressional district. The remaining member or members shall be from the state at large. However, if there is more than one at-large member, at least one at-large member shall be a resident of the state and, upon recommendation of the board, the remaining at-large member or members may reside out-of-state.** The members shall serve overlapping terms of six years, following initial terms fixed by law.

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§7. Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College; Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College

Section 7.

(B)(1) Membership; Terms. Each board shall be composed of fifteen members of whom two members shall be from each congressional district and the remaining member or members shall be from the state at large, appointed by the governor with consent of the Senate. **Two members shall be from each congressional district. The remaining member or members shall be from the state at large. However, if there is more than one at-large member, at least one at-large member shall be a resident of the state and, upon recommendation of the board, the remaining at-large member or members may reside out-of-state.** The members shall serve overlapping terms of six years, following initial terms fixed by law.

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§7.1. Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges

Section 7.1.

(B)(1) Membership; Terms; Initial Membership and Terms. The board shall be composed of fifteen members appointed by the governor, as provided by law. In addition, the board shall have two student members as provided by law. All members selected and appointed by the governor shall be appointed with the consent of the Senate. Of those members selected and appointed by the governor, there shall be two members from each congressional district and the remaining member or members from the state at large. **However, if there is more than one at-large member, at least one at-large member shall be a resident of the state and, upon recommendation of the board, the remaining at-large member or members may reside out-of-state.** The board should be representative of the state's population by race and gender to ensure diversity. The members selected and appointed by the governor shall serve terms of six years, except that the initial members shall serve terms as provided by law.

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Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on December 5, 2020.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

Do you support an amendment to allow the governor to appoint a person who resides out-of-state to serve as an at-large member of a public postsecondary education board of supervisors? (Amends Article VIII, Sections 6(B)(1), 7(B)(1), and 7.1(B)(1))

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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Concordia Parish School Board is requesting bid proposals until 12 noon, December 22, 2020, at the Central Administrative Office Building, 4358 Highway 84 West, Vidalia, Louisiana, for the following item(s).

Two (2) each Caching Servers

**Proposed Evaluations** - Submitted proposals will be considered based on a weighted value for: a) cost price, b) submission completeness, c) technical specifications & product features, d) prior educational district experience and e) financial stability of product line.

**Proposed Award** - The Concordia Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals deemed not to be in the best interest of the system. The award will be made to the responsible vendor whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous, taking into consideration price and other evaluation factors.

The e-mailed proposals will be received, reviewed and read aloud in public on Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at 12 noon. Referenced receiving is to be held at the system's administrative office building (as referenced above) Room #124. As a public review, proposers or their respective representatives are invited to be present for the opening. However, only the name of the proposer and a composite type proposed price will be discussed. No other information will be made available until the evaluation process has been completed. A technology review committee will evaluate and forward a procurement recommendation to the CPSB Business Department. After acceptance, the department will refer the recommendation to the Concordia Parish School Board for disposition @ their regular scheduled meeting for the month of January. Reference meeting is to be held on January 14, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. in room #124 of its Central Administrative Office, located at 4358 Highway 84 West, Vidalia, Louisiana 71373. The system's contact person is Ms. Sarah Caviness, Technology Supervisor, at sarah.wiley@cpsb.la.us.

You may find additional proposal related information and the ability to place your electronic response at www.centralbidding.com

Isl Thomas H. O'Neal, Director Business Affairs

Please publish: November 18, 25 & December 2, 2020

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### Bid Notice for Agricultural Lease

The Concordia Parish School Board will accept sealed bids on a small tract of land for agricultural/grazing purposes. Accepted bids are to be opened at the regular monthly meeting of the Board which begins @ 6:00 p.m. on December 10, 2020, at the Concordia Parish School Board Administrative Office, Conference Room 124, 4358 Highway 84 West, Vidalia, Louisiana 71373.

The tract to be leased is as follows: A portion of Section 6, T7N, R9E, Concordia

Parish, Louisiana, located just adjacent to the Airport Road Fire Station. This tract contains 75 acres, more or less, with approximately 35 acres being cultivatable. The term of this lease will be for a period of three (3) years. This is a restricted lease; its sole use is designated to be that of agriculture and/or grazing. Hunting on this land is prohibited and therefore, the lease will not contain hunting rights. The minimum accepted bid has been established to be \$750 per year for the 3 year term.

The Successful bidder (lessee) will be required to obtain and maintain general liability insurance, with limits of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), and have the Board listed on such policy as an additional insured party

Under the established statutory guidelines, the Concordia Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids

/s/Thomas H. O'Neal \_\_\_\_\_ Director /Business Affairs

Please publish: November 4, 2020  
November 11, 2020  
November 18, 2020

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Concordia Parish School Board is requesting sealed proposals until 4:00 p.m., December 3, 2020, at the Central Administrative Office Building, 4358 Highway 84 West, Vidalia, Louisiana, for the following item(s).

Wide Area Network and Internet Access

**Proposed Evaluations** - Submitted proposals will be considered based on a weighted value for: a) cost price, b) positive referrals, c) submission completeness, d) time period expected for delivery and technical support responsiveness.

**Proposed Award** - The Concordia Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals deemed not to be in the best interest of the system. The award will be made to the responsible vendor whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous, taking into consideration price and other evaluation factors.

The proposals will be opened and read aloud in public on Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. Referenced opening is to be held at the system's administrative office building (as referenced above) Room #124. As a public opening, proposers or their respective representatives are invited to be present for the opening. However, only the name of the proposer and a composite type proposed price will be discussed. No other information will be made available until the evaluation process has been completed. A technology review committee will review, evaluate and award the procurement to the successful vendor based on their respective proposal. The system's contact person is Ms. Sarah Caviness, Technology Supervisor, Telephone (318) 336-4226 Ext 3502, Fax (318) 336-5875.

You may find additional proposal related information and the ability to place your electronic response at www.centralbidding.com

/s/ Thomas H. O'Neal, Director Business Affairs

Please publish: November 4, 11 & 18, 2020

### PARISH OF CONCORDIA

CLAYTON, LOUISIANA

### ORDINANCE NO.114

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CLAYTON PROCLAIMING THE POPULATION OF CLAYTON HAS DECREASED TO THE EXTENT THAT IT IS NOW A VILLAGE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF CLAYTON, CONCORDIA PARISH, LOUISIANA:

SECTION 1. By proclamation issued by the Honorable John Bel Edwards, Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated July 23, 2020, the then Town of Clayton was reclassified as a Village because of an official decrease in population to a total of 711 inhabitants;

SECTION 2. That said proclamation decreed that the Town of Clayton would be hereinafter known as "The Village of Clayton."

SECTION 3. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of Clayton, Concordia Parish, Louisiana, do now proclaim and ordain that the Town of Clayton be and the same shall be hereinafter designated as "The Village of Clayton."

SECTION 4. A certified copy of this ordinance be inserted once in the Concordia Sentinel, Ferriday, Louisiana, and the original of this ordinance or proclamation shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court of Concordia Parish, Vidalia, Louisiana, to be recorded, all as provided by and required of R3 JJ:J42, and 3UGH recordation 3hall be oonolu.:ivc: from the date of its issuance of the matter determined by it until there is a new classification determined according to law.

THIS DONE AND SIGNED this 6 day of October, 2020, at a regular meeting of the mayor and Board of Aldermen.

The vote was recorded according to "Yeas's and Nay's as follows:

NAME	VOTE
s/s <u>Wilbert S. Washington</u> WILBERT S. WASHINGTON (MAYOR)	yea (yea or nay)
s/s <u>Willie Lee Evans</u> WILLIE LEE EVANS (ALDERMAN)	yea (yea or nay)
s/s <u>Michelle D. Bertha</u> MICHELLE D. BETHA (ALDERWOMAN)	yea (yea or nay)
s/s <u>David Kevin Mitchell</u> DAVID KEVIN MITCHELL (ALDERMAN)	yea (yea or nea)
<u>JOHN MITCHELL</u> (ALDERMAN)	absent (yea or nae)
s/s <u>Carl R. Tompson</u> CARL R. TOMPSON (ALDERMAN)	yea (yea or nay)

### EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION NUMBER 95 JBE 2020

### MUNICIPALITY OF CLAYTON - CHANGE IN CLASSIFICATION

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the Town of Clayton has sent a Resolution to the Governor requesting a change in classification of Clayton from "Town" to "Village," in accordance with La. R.S. 33:342;

**WHEREAS**, Louisiana Revised Statute 33:341 describes three classes of municipal corporations: those with five thousand inhabitants or more are cities; those with less than five thousand, but more than one thousand inhabitants are towns; and those with one thousand or fewer inhabitants are villages;

**WHEREAS**, the Governor has investigated the facts, in accordance with La. R.S. 33:342, through the U.S. Census Bureau 2010 Census Data; and

**WHEREAS**, the certified results from the 2010 Census show that the municipality of Clayton has a population of 711 inhabitants.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS**, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The municipal classification of the Town of Clayton is hereby reclassified from a Town to a Village, in accordance with La. R.S. 33:341 and La. R.S. 33:342.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 23rd day of July, 2020.

s/s John Bell Edwards  
**GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA**

### ATTEST BY THE GOVERNOR

s/s R. Kyle Ardojn  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**

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### PARISH POLICE JURY REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 26, 2020 6:00 P.M.

The Police Jury of Concordia Parish met this day in regular session convened. There were present the following members:

President:	Joseph Parker, Sr.
Members:	Maurice Bachus, Willie Yearby, Gary Neal, Scottie Whittington, Adam Probst, Collin Edwards, Brad Adams
Absent:	Genesia Allen
Secretary Treasurer:	Sandi T. Burley
Invocation:	Mr. Yearby
Pledge of Allegiance:	Mr. Probst

The Pledge, Invocation, and Roll Call were conducted. A quorum was present.

1) A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Bachus to approve the October 12, 2020 minutes as mailed. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Under Committee Action and Reports, the following was discussed:  
A) The Finance Committee had met to review financials as of the close of quarter 3. A motion was made by Mr. Probst seconded by Mr. Adams to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.  
- The Third Quarter Budget Review was distributed to the Jurors for review and questions prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Probst to ratify the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Yearby and carried unanimously.  
B) Resolution 20-010 was offered for review and adoption. The resolution provides funding confirmation by the Parish for all FP&C Capital Outlay projects in which the parish is seeking funding. A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried unanimously.  
C) There were no other reports from other Committees.

3) Projects of the Parish were next discussed.  
Brushy Bayou – Additional conference calls have been held to keep the project on track. Brant Jones with JKS is working on the final comments for DOTD. The stamped drawings were submitted to USACE. A conference call was held with FEMA and GOHSEP for questions on the H&H study pertaining to the BCA. An addendum to the H&H study has been completed to show the positive effect the project would have in the Concordia Park area. Further conference calls are scheduled to keep the project moving forward.  
Courtroom – Electrical components have been installed. Once submitted and reimbursed, the project can be submitted for close out.

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**Washington Heights** – The culverts are being installed. Once complete the project can be submitted to DRA for closeout.  
**DR-4462** – A conference call was held with FEMA, GOHSEP, Rostan, and the parish to discuss the information still needed. An analysis of the road base for asphalt roads was submitted. A desk review for the gravel roads is in progress. Pictures and information were gathered and submitted to satisfy the request.  
**Vidalia Canal** – Mr. Edwards is trying to contact Mr. Lary Graff about spraying the needed areas and chemicals needed.  
- WLF needs the ramp / access cleaned out in Ferriday at the lilly pads to continue to clean and spray.  
**Watershed Initiative** – Regional meetings are being held. No further updates at this time.  
**CARES Act** – Applications were submitted for approval for the final application period. No further reporting at this time.

4) Ordinance Violations of the Parish were next discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Adams seconded by Mr. Neal and carried unanimously to cite the following:  
**Adams** – Como Road – Corp of Engineers needs to be consulted. Land owner has impeded drainage between Como Road and Bee Brake.  
5) A motion was made by Mr. Neal seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried unanimously to approve the following occupation license:  
- The Rusty Bucket – Kevin LeBlanc – Flea Market – 5005 Hwy 84. Vidalia

6) Under the Secretary / Treasurer's Report, Ms. Burley shared information about the upcoming grant projects and deadlines. Also discussed was the final 2019 Audit. Ms. Burley shared the high points of the audit, noting two findings regarding a travel receipt and a cyber policy. Also noted, was the General Fund was the only fund that ended with a deficit. This was due to accruals of payroll and retirement.

Ms. Burley also discussed with the Jurors the desire to consider having the Vernando Group handle all additional insurance benefits outside of healthcare. By working with one firm to handle all Assurity, Aflac, and Colonial Life claims would be a cost savings to the employees. Mr. Parker asked for a motion to table the decision until the Personnel Committee could meet and discuss. A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Neal to have the Personnel Committee meet and discuss. If the committee agrees to the decision, then the administrative office can move forward. Motion carried unanimously.

7) Under the Superintendent's materials requests, Mr. Guillory brought forward:  
**610** – 25 yards on East Road; 40 yards in Washington Heights  
A motion was made by Mr. Yearby seconded by Mr. Probst to approve the materials. Motion carried unanimously.

8) Superintendent's work order requests were next discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Neal seconded by Mr. Adams and carried unanimously to approve the following:  
**Yearby** – requested verification of 115 Howard Drive on ordinance violation  
**Whittington** – Stephens Road – Water still on the road in the curve; needs ditching and draining  
**Neal** – Poole Road before the sewer plant – two culverts may be collapsed; area needs work done  
**Edwards** – 204 Watkins – ditching to tie in to canal  
**Adams** – Discussed work needed on Six Mile Bayou and Plouden Bayou  
**Parker** – Road sign and stop sign needed for Vernon Road; discussed purchasing cameras to monitor road sign theft and dumping.

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9) Correspondance / Public Comments - None

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