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Opelousas, LA – The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) has released the latest school and district performance scores.

While the St. Landry Parish School District scores indicate a slight dip in its overall score, moving from 72.9 to 72.1 (a decrease of 0.8 points), we are happy to report on the success of individual schools and the dedicated work happening in the district, schools, and classrooms every day.

Fifteen schools across the district demonstrated improvement in their school performance scores:

- Central Middle
- Grand Prairie Elementary
- Grolee Elementary
- Krotz Springs Elementary
- Lawtell Elementary
- Opelousas Junior High
- Park Vista Elementary
- Port Barre Elementary
- Port Barre Middle
- Opelousas Middle
- North Central High
- Beau Chene High
- Arnaudville Middle
- Plaisance Middle
- Creswell Middle

This growth is a testament to the focused efforts of school leaders, teachers, staff, and students.

Furthermore, St. Landry Parish School District is proud to announce the following achievements:

- **Top Gains Schools:** Eleven of our schools earned the designation of "Top Gains School," recognizing them for demonstrating growth by meeting or exceeding learning goals set by the Louisiana Department of Education. These schools are: Arnaudville Middle, Cankton Elementary, Creswell Middle, East Elementary, Eunice Jr. High, Grand Coteau Elementary, Grand Prairie Elementary, Grolee Elementary, Krotz Springs Elementary, Magnet Academy for Cultural Arts, and Palmetto Elementary.

- Opportunity Honoree: One school was recognized as an "Opportunity Honoree," signifying its exceptional work in closing achievement gaps and serving all students. That school is Magnet Academy for Cultural Arts.

Superintendent Milton Batiste says, "The heavy lifting required to improve academic outcomes is enormous, and our principals deserve tremendous praise for their leadership, resilience, and commitment. They set the vision and execute the complex work that makes these gains possible. This work, however, is not done without the entire school community. We want to commend our teachers for their dedication to student needs and pursuit of excellence in the classroom; our support personnel for the exceptional support services they provide; our students for their hard work and motivation to learn and achieve; and our parents and families for being essential partners in education and supporting their children's success at home."

District leadership remains committed to continuous improvement in our efforts to support school leaders to create the conditions necessary for sustained improvement in academic outcomes. "Performance scores give us a view of our strengths and the areas where we must intensify our efforts," says Superintendent Batiste. "We acknowledge that there is still work to be done to ensure every single student in St. Landry Parish School District reaches their full potential. We will use this data to refine our strategies, invest in our educators, and continue on our path of elevating achievement for all."

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