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System Leaders,

I want to thank you for your leadership prompting Louisiana's historic academic progress. We've achieved our highest ranking ever on The Nation's Report Card, moving from 49th in 2019 to 32nd today. When Harvard, Stanford, and Dartmouth released their Education Scorecard in May, Louisiana was first among the states in reading growth, second in math, and the only state to surpass 2019 performance in both subjects. Finally, our latest statewide LEAP data indicate the highest proficiency rates in state history.

One of our most important responsibilities is ensuring every school and classroom is a place where teachers can teach and students can learn. To sustain our unprecedented momentum, we must remain equally committed to the learning environments that make meaningful achievement possible. Schools and classrooms should be peaceful and orderly, without exception.

We have made strides establishing those environments through our [Let Teachers Teach](#) recommendations, new state policies, and other changes specific to your parish. Maintaining that progress requires continued vigilance. Principals and teachers must set clear behavioral expectations and enforce consequences when they are not met. Encourage your administrators to stand firm against disruptive behavior, as unruly classrooms and ungovernable students are barriers to learning that dilute the academic environment for everyone.

Bullying is another barrier to a safe and productive learning environment. It can happen in hallways, buses, online, or other areas where supervision is more challenging. The Louisiana Legislature adopted [House Resolution 333](#) during the 2026 Regular Session, urging every public school system to comply with and enforce [Louisiana's bullying laws](#). Every public school governing authority is responsible for maintaining comprehensive anti-bullying policies and incorporating those into student codes of conduct.

Thank you for your continued leadership and unwavering commitment. The learning environment we create in schools today will shape opportunities for both teachers and students. And they deserve our best efforts.

Sincerely,

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