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Friday, May 15th

7 Kids ice cream fundraiser

Monday, May 18th

La Voix Pop End of the Year Performance

Tuesday, May 19th

Last day of school for grades 1-5

Wednesday, May 20th

Kindergarten Graduation

Friday, June 19th

School closed in observance of Juneteenth

*Board Meetings are always the first Tuesday of each month. Anyone is welcome to attend.



Article 4: Respect, Boundaries, and Accountability

Bonjour École St. Landry Family. Today we're going to be shining a light on a touchy subject--respect, boundaries, and accountability. You cannot have one without the others.

What is respect? Respect by definition is a positive feeling of admiration or esteem that you have for a person no matter their age, race, or accolades. Respect is a verb which means it requires action. The older generation says respect is not given it's earned. With that in mind our question to you all is are we

earning the respect of our children or do we just expect them to respect us without showing proof that they should. Our children observe us everyday. Watching our every move. Learning from our actions not just our words. They hear the conversations we have with friends and family. They see the way we treat one another. Are we actively showing them what it looks like to show love and appreciation for the world around us? If not it's time for a change.

What are boundaries? By definition boundaries are physical, emotional, or mental limits that define personal, professional, or spatial autonomy, serving to protect an individual's well-being. We are true believers that boundaries have no age requirement. Learning how to protect one's peace, as well as personal and mental space is a lesson far too many of us only learned in adulthood. Why not give our children this tool before they experience the tough lessons we know life will bring? Why not send them into the world knowing who they are and what is acceptable to tolerate and what is not?

Look around your city, state, and our nation. How much evidence do we need that boundaries are valuable tools in growing children into great adults and future parents. Doing the right thing isn't always easy but it's always worth it.

What is accountability? Accountability is the obligation or willingness to accept responsibility for one's actions, behaviors, and their outcomes. This is the big one! We as adults are quick to recognize how someone else has mistreated us or a situation but how many of us actually take a moment and try to understand the part we played? It could be as simple as a miscommunication but instead of trying to come to some common understanding we will die on the hill of the ignorance we played a part in creating. Our children observe that. They assimilate that type of behavior into their everyday lives. As parents we may not even see that version of our children, but their teachers see it and their peers experience it.

Respect, Boundaries, and Accountability are for everyone, parents and children alike. Without these necessary building blocks children will be off balance and saunter into adulthood without the tools to address the inevitable challenges and triumphs life will bring.

Until next time...

Order Your 2026-2027 School Supplies Online Now

Head over to **[EPI School Supplies](#)** to order your curated box now and scratch that item off your list of things to do this summer. Use school code ECO006 (E-C-O-zero-zero-six) to pull up the lists and then just select what you'll need for next year.

Boxes include everything your child will need for this school year except for a nap mat (Kinder only), headphones, a backpack, a water bottle, and the \$20 class fee. They're shipped to school and you can pick up anything you want to label at our Portes Ouvertes (Open House) in August.





You might choose to order the nap mat and headphones from EPI too, and you'll see that option there. If you do, those items will also be shipped to school under your name and available at Portes Ouvertes. Otherwise, at least that's all you'll have to think to grab over the summer!

All supplies are backed by EPI's school year guarantee, meaning that if anything breaks during the school year, they'll replace it for free.

The deadline to order is May 19th.

Graduation de la maternelle



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2026

Kindergarten Graduation is always one of the most exciting—and emotional—moments of the school year. It's a time to celebrate just how much our youngest learners have grown, not only academically, but socially and emotionally as well.

That first entrance into "big kid school" is always going to be a year filled with new routines and new friendships, but the challenge is especially great when starting

Students should arrive at 9:00 for us to help them into their gowns and group them by class for the 9:30 procession.

Parents and other family should go directly to the main auditorium and find a seat while waiting for the ceremony to begin. Madame Lindsay will greet everyone after the procession, then proceed to hand out diplomas and awards with the help of the other Kindergarten teachers. There will be a slideshow, then the students will sing the

French immersion school! It's beautiful to watch students overcome those few nervous first days to blossom into confidence, curiosity, and a true love of learning.

As we gather to celebrate this milestone, we are reminded that this ceremony is about so much more than caps and gowns and songs. It's about the first steps in a lifelong educational journey, the pride in each child's accomplishments, and the joy of seeing them ready to take on new challenges.

The graduation ceremony for the kindergarten class of 2026 will be held at Our Savior's Church on May 20th at 9:30 a.m.

On May 15th, Kindergarteners will be sent home with their mortarboard caps and the tassels to be worn on the cap. If you ordered souvenir tassels from the PTO, please keep those at home and use the tassel provided with the cap for the graduation ceremony. We send the caps home so you can make sure to secure them on your child's head. Sometimes they're hard to fit over fancy hairstyles and such, so **it's best to put it on in the morning yourself before you bring your child to graduation.**

École Saint-Landry Graduation Song, led by Madame Jamie Lynn. After the ceremony there will be cupcakes and punch for the graduates, and photo opportunities for families in the church lobby.

Our Kindergarten graduation ceremony in 2026 is sponsored by First Horizon Bank. Because of their generosity, we are able to allow each Kindergarten student up to 20 guests.



Many of us have cried at this event every year, so a few tears are guaranteed all around, a reflection of how meaningful this moment it. Pack your tissues!

We are so proud of our kindergarten students and all their bilingual achievements this year. We look forward to seeing them continue to grow, learn, and shine in the years ahead.



Do you want to build a playground?!

Have you been wondering about a playground for Ecole St. Landry's lower campus? Me too...Currently, our students have recess in an open field, but imagine the possibility...Beyond physical development, playgrounds are where our children learn to communicate, cooperate, create, problem solve and make friends. Outdoor play has been linked to improved mood and reduced stress.

Our current design includes the installation of astroturf in the play area as well as five play elements (pictured above). Our total fundraising goal is \$75,000. For about half that amount, we could have the astroturf and three play elements installed as soon as this summer!

We've recently begun a parent-led effort to raise capital towards this end and I hope you will join me. To give a personal donation or learn more, use the QR code or visit givebutter.com/ecoleplay. Right now, whatever donation you make will be doubled up to \$10,000 thanks to the Stephen O. Billeaud family.

If you would like to help in one of the following ways, please e-mail Leigh at leigh.st.julian@gmail.com:

- Outreach to local businesses
- Grant writing
- Host a fundraising event

Allons! Let's go and play!



Enrollment for 2026-2027

We have our first waiting list since we opened! While our teachers are of course working hard to maintain the highest standards of education, and our administration is dedicated to supporting our educators, our students, and our families, your hard work as parents and members of the community also plays into the success of our school.

Because of this, our enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year is currently:

	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	5th Late Path	6th
Seats available	6	8	-3	10	1	4	0	0



Le cœur sur la main

At École Saint-Landry, we encourage all of our students to be kind to one another. Small class sizes, spacious classrooms, intentional breaks when things get stressful, and rewarding acts of kindness are only part of our efforts to encourage kindness. Students who are caught "avec le cœur sur la main" (caught being kind) are featured on our social media and will now have their photo in our monthly newsletters.

After having completed their Math exercises on day in class, Liam, Saije, and Marigold suddenly got up of their own accord and started walking around the

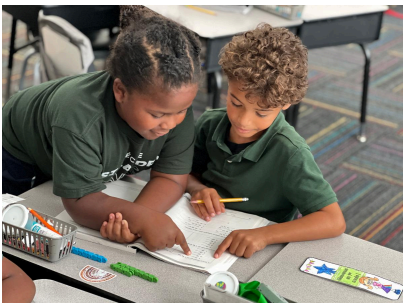


room helping their classmates who were struggling with the assignment. They not only took their time to re-explain the instructions *in French* but also shared their own, individual strategies for solving the different kinds of problems in the assignment.

We are so proud of our helpful little lions, and the culture of kindness they help us to maintain.



Merci de votre gentillesse!



Our attendance all-stars for the month of April were:

The classes who had the best attendance, with the fewest unexcused absences, late check-ins, and early check-outs, were:

- **Mme Nina's class**--won a cookie party
- **Mme Céline's class**--won a free dress day
- **Mme Manon's class**--won a free dress day
- **M. Adil's class**--won a cookie party

The classes who managed to fill their "Tous Présents!" board were:

- **Mme Nina's class**--got to spend some time reading outside
- **Mme Yaëlle's class**--got an extra recess
- **Mme Céline's class**--got to spend some time reading outside
- **M. Moussa's class**--got a 15-minute dance party
- **Mme Alexia's class**--got to watch a video for fun
- **Mme Leila's class**--earned 3 extra jetons

- M. Kirby's class--won extra Go Noodle brain breaks

Madame Lindsay announces any birthdays in the morning announcements each day, but we'll be giving an extra shout-out to birthday students and staff each month here in the newsletter too from now on.



Staff:

Mme Jamie Lynn, May 5th
Mme Alexia, May 6th
Monsieur Fady, May 17th

Students:

Milo C., May 3rd
Cree S., May 7th
Hudson B., May 7th
Erick G., May 11th
Michael H., May 15th
Legacie H., May 15th
Ryder L., May 16th
Norah N., May 17th
Carlee L., May 19th
Owen T., May 19th
Thomas A., May 20th
Delta D., May 21st
Micah G., May 22nd
Khalil S., May 24th
Ronan F., May 25th
Emari R., May 30th
Ophelia G., May 31st



Here is your go-to list of important links and contacts so you know where to find what you need:

Ecolestlandry.org provides lots of helpful information about the school including giving, events, the school calendar, ressource links, staff email addresses, and more!

General Information:

Attendance/check-ins and -outs:

If your child is going to be absent, please do not call us. **If your child will be out of school for two or more days**, you can **email us** or just

Our teachers post homework, snapshots from class, and other information on [Rooms](#), our parent portal. If you need help setting up an account, **please contact us**. If you have changed your phone or your phone number and can no longer access your account, please contact [Rooms](#).



Mme Yaëlle's 1st Graders play a syllables game outside.

send the doctor's excuse in their green folder when they return to school. We can also accept **up to three** hand-written parental excuses per school year. Parental excuses can only cover two consecutive days of absence. If your child is sick longer than that, you will need a doctor's excuse to have the extra days covered. Any excuse must be received within five days of the absence.

You may also request make-up work, homework, and more to be prepared by the teacher for you to pick up in the office.

If you are running late, please remember to sign in your child in the office when you get here. You do not need to let us know in advance.

If you need to check your child out early, please come to the office to sign him out before 3:00 p.m. You do not need to let us know in advance unless you have an official reason for needing to check your child out between 3:00 and 3:45. In that case, please **email us**.

Transportation changes:

If your child is usually a bus-rider but you will be picking him or her up today, or vice-versa, or if you need to leave your child in afternoon Lion Care today, please **email us** before 3:00 p.m.

We request email whenever possible so we have a paper trail of your instructions. If ever you email and we do not reply by 3:00 p.m., please call the office at (337) 510-3022 to confirm that your email was received.



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