

SCHOOL CHOICE-VILLE PLATTE ELEMENTARY

Evangeline Parish Schools

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2021-2022 Parent Notification of Public-School Choice

July 22, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian:

There is no mission more crucial than providing children access to the best education possible. Thus, Federal and State laws require school districts to offer families the opportunity to transfer if a school is identified as a school in need of improvement. Ville Platte Elementary has been identified as a school in need of improvement based on 2018-19 test scores, which resulted in the school receiving an unsatisfactory grade (F). Because of this designation, your child is eligible to transfer to a higher performing school within the school district. The primary obligation of the system is to provide for the enrollment of students within the established attendance zones. Therefore, students seeking enrollment due to choice will be enrolled at the choice school, if there is sufficient capacity or available seats. Grade level and special program requirements will be considered. If the number of applications for enrollment exceeds the capacity, seats, in any school or grade level, applicants will be selected in order of academically at-risk, economically disadvantaged, and timeliness of application until capacity is reached. If you elect to take advantage of this school transfer opportunity, your child will be assigned to the choice school for the 2021-22 school year and may remain at the school of choice until completion of the highest grade at the receiving school. Transportation will be provided for your child from an existing transfer point that serves the receiving school. Another option for students is the Evangeline Virtual Academy, where students complete all academic work online.

Your child may attend the following school/program based on capacity/seats available. On the enclosed Choice Request Form, please check next to your preferred choice.

- Chataignier Elementary (K-8), Letter Grade of "C"
- Evangeline Virtual Academy (K-12)

The school system administration is working with the faculty and staff to improve instruction and meet individual needs of the students at Ville Platte Elementary.

Curriculum and Support for Students at Ville Platte Elementary include:

Tier I Curriculum for Preschool, K-6 ELA, Math, and Science

K-6 Resource Support for ELA Anchor Text, Eureka Math, and Science

2 Title I Teachers and Additional PE Teacher

ELA and Math Intervention with designated Intervention Paraprofessionals

PAX Good Behavior Strategies

In-School Behavior Supports and SEL (Social, Emotional Learning) Curriculum

Diverse Learners Strategies/Activities
Supplemental Resources for State Assessments
Literacy Coach and Interventionist
Technology Supports
Professional Development for Professional and Support Staff
District Support (SEL Team, Special Education Specialist)
LDOE Support

Families are encouraged to arrange a private conference with their child's teachers to discuss ways to improve academic performance. Families are also invited to participate as members of the School Improvement Team at Ville Platte Elementary. The School Improvement Team consists of principals, teachers, staff, and parents that work together to improve the education and overall learning experience for all students at Ville Platte Elementary.

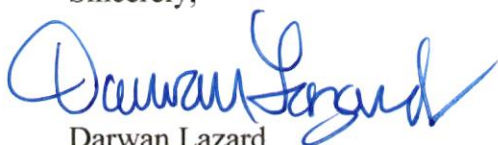
If you choose to participate in school choice, please complete the enclosed Choice Request Form and return it to the Evangeline Parish School District Title I Office by August 2, 2021 by 4:00 pm. All request forms must be received at the following address:

Maryann Fontenot, Title I Director
Evangeline Parish School Board Media Center
607 Harvey LeBas Drive
Ville Platte, LA 70586

We will send official notification of your child's school placement no later than August 6, 2021. All transfer paperwork from Ville Platte Elementary and registration at the receiving school/program must be completed by August 10, 2021. If transfer paperwork and registration are not completed by August 10, 2021, the transfer will not be granted.

If you have any questions about your options under the state's Public School Choice Policy, please contact Maryann Fontenot at 337.363.5502 or maryann.fontenot@epsb.com.

Sincerely,



Darwan Lazard
Superintendent

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2021-2022 Public School Choice School Choice Request Form

Ville Platte Elementary
(Please complete one form for each child.)

Student _____

Parent _____

Address _____

City/State _____

Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Please check the school/program of choice for your child and sign below. Indicate the grade level of the student for the 2021-22 school year.

It is not necessary to return this form if your child is remaining at Ville Platte Elementary.

___ Chataignier Elementary Grade Level ___
(Register at Chataignier Elementary)

___ Evangeline Virtual Academy Grade Level ___
(Application must be obtained from Evangeline Central and the student must be in good academic standing with the Virtual Academy.)

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Return to: Maryann Fontenot, Evangeline Parish School Board Media Center by August 2, 2021.

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