

2026-2027

Eunice High School

Student Handbook



Eunice High School Alma Mater

Way down in the Bayou Country
Stands a high school fair
Sons and daughters of Old Eunice
Long will gather there

When with moments swiftly flying,
Ages roll between
We will always love and cherish
Alma Mater Queen

Raise the chorus, speed it onward.
Sing her praises high!
Hail to thee, our alma mater
Hail Old Eunice High!

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ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW

GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MEANS...



PRESCHOOLERS
build skills and develop
good habits for showing
up on time



**ELEMENTARY
STUDENTS**
read well by the
end of third grade



HIGH SCHOOLERS
stay on track for
graduation

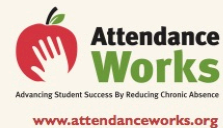


**COLLEGE
STUDENTS**
earn their degrees



WORKERS
succeed in
their jobs

Too many absences—excused or unexcused—can keep students from succeeding in school and in life. How many are too many? 10% of the school year—that's 18 missed days or 2 days a month—can knock students off track.



Forward

Developed collaboratively by our students, faculty, and administration, this manual is designed to help you transition smoothly and truly feel at home in our school community.

We encourage you to take full advantage of everything our school has to offer. Beyond academics, this is a place to build meaningful relationships, develop maturity, and gain essential life skills that will prepare you to contribute positively to society.

Welcome to our school! We are excited to have you join us and look forward to seeing you embrace our traditions, uphold our high standards, and bring a positive, collaborative spirit to everything you do!

Mission

To ensure high quality instruction while working collaboratively with families and communities to maximize every student's potential as evidenced by academic and behavioral data.

Vision

To promote excellence in education for all students.

Equal Education Opportunities

The St. Landry Parish School Board places an equal emphasis upon the nondiscriminatory provision of educational opportunities for children, and no person shall be excluded from participation in or denied the benefits of any education service, program, or activity on the basis of economic status, intellectual ability, marital status, race, color, disability, religion, creed, national origin, age, or sex. Programs offered at Eunice High School shall be open to students in compliance with statutory and judicial requirements.

Jurisdiction: All students shall be under the jurisdiction of the school during normal school hours, from the time the student arrives at school each day until he or she leaves the school campus in the afternoon. In case a student rides a bus, he or she shall be under the jurisdiction of the school from the time he or she boards the bus until the student exits the bus in the afternoon. Students shall be under the jurisdiction of the school while attending any school sponsored activity either at school or away from school. This shall apply to all students, including athletic teams, pep clubs, bands and other student organizations. In disciplinary matters, the School Board's authority may extend beyond the limits set forth above, in accordance with state law.

Building Hours

School hours are 7:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. The building will open for students at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 2:45 p.m. School will remain open after 2:45 pm for students involved in supervised activities. Students who are not involved in supervised activities must leave the building promptly at 2:45 p.m. Remaining on campus or loitering in the hallways after school is prohibited.

Visitors

Eunice High School is a closed campus which requires all visitors to report to the front office before going anywhere else on campus. We accept only those visitors who have legitimate business at the school. All guests and visitors must report immediately to the office upon arrival to campus, and must have a valid picture ID. Visitors will not be allowed to areas outside of the office area during school hours. To protect the privacy of students, parents/guardians are not allowed to visit or sit in classes during the school day.

Visitors Code of Conduct

The St. Landry Parish School System welcomes and encourages parents and other school patrons to visit the schools at appropriate times when they have legitimate school business. Programs may be planned throughout each school year to provide opportunity for visits to the schools. Principals shall be responsible for establishing procedures that ensure the proper protection of instructional time and the welfare of the students and employees. The principal reserves the right to require any visitor to leave campus. In accordance with state law, no person is allowed on school grounds or in school buildings or facilities without authorization from the appropriate school official. Therefore, all visitors shall report to the school office immediately upon coming onto school grounds for their visit. Office personnel, principal, counselor, etc., shall be made aware of the purpose of the visit. If at all possible, all visits should be pre-arranged. Principals are authorized to take the necessary steps in dealing with unauthorized visitors. The School Board, in accordance with state law, shall authorize principals, school administrators, or school security guards to search the person, and any item in the possession of a person who is not a student enrolled in school, or any school employee, while in or on any school property. The search may be conducted at random with a metal detector, or physically when there is reasonable suspicion that such person has any weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol, stolen goods, or other materials which violate School Board policy. The school expects visitors to respect all of the following:

1. Understand that parents and teachers need to work together for the benefit of children
2. Demonstrate in their own behavior that all members of the school community should be treated with respect
3. Seek to clarify a child's version of events with the school's view in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issue
4. Approach school staff to help resolve issues. In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment the school does not tolerate:
 - disruptive behavior which interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of a classroom, office or other area of school grounds
 - loud or offensive language, swearing, cursing or displaying temper
 - threatening to do bodily harm to a member of school staff
 - damaging or destroying school property
 - sending abusive or threatening emails, text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communication
 - defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the pupils/parents/staff at the school on facebook or other social media sites if it interferes or causes problems at the school
 - chastising someone else's child
 - deliberate intimidation, or bullying of other students, visitors or staff
 - possession of weapons or any object that can cause harm
 - possession or consumption of alcohol or drugs while on school property, including school sponsored events.

Responsibilities of Parents/Guardians

- Read the Student Code of Conduct
- Support your child in following the Student Code of Conduct
- Understand your child's rights and responsibilities
- Teach your child to respect the rights of others
- Teach your child to respect school property and the property of others
- Recognize that school personnel must enforce the Student Code of Conduct
- Seek available resources to support your child within the school and the community
- Make sure your child comes to school every day on time and ready to learn
- Be committed and available to visit your child's school, as necessary, to evaluate his/her academic and/or behavioral progress

Emergency School Closings If conditions warrant the closing of school, automated calls will be placed to students' home phone numbers. Notices will be posted on both the school and district's social media pages. Local television and radio stations will also be notified. To be notified of closures and other emergency situations, it is imperative that parents/guardians have updated and current phone numbers on file at school.

Student Responsibility- must be responsible for bringing homework, binders, band instruments, clothes for after-school activities, etc. to school each day. Under no circumstances will classes be interrupted to call students to the office to receive forgotten items. If the parent chooses to leave the lost item with office personnel, students will be responsible for coming to the office during his/her lunch period.

School administration has the right to:

- To limit a student's participation in graduation activities for violating the district's Student Code of Conduct
- Participation might include a speaking role as established by district policy and procedures.
- To revoke parking privileges.
- To search a student or vehicle driven to school by a student and parked on school property whenever there is reasonable suspicion to believe it contains articles or materials prohibited by the district.
- To search or inspect, desks, lockers, book bags/backpacks, district-provided technology or similar items that are the property of the district and are provided for student use as a matter of convenience

Dress Code Expectations

The St. Landry Parish School Board believes that a mandatory school uniform policy provides a more secure environment, promotes an atmosphere for greater discipline, and increases learning opportunities for all students. In all cases, the school principal shall inform the student, parent, and school community about the school dress code. All students and parents are expected to follow the written policy.

Questions about the school Dress Code Policy should be referred to the school principal. The principal of each school shall make the final decision about proper or improper dress according to the guidelines provided. School Spirit Day and any other school activities requiring a deviation from the uniform policy will be left to the discretion of the principal. Any complaint concerning the dress code shall be dealt with by the school administration.

SCHOOL DRESS CODE

All students attending all public Pre-K-12 schools in St. Landry Parish shall adhere to the following official school dress code:

UNIFORM SHIRTS - The shirt shall consist of a white or navy polo style shirt (short or long sleeves with a collar). No emblem, logo, decoration, or decorative trim is allowed. Each school will have the option of another colored shirt. The optional top may have the school logo imprinted on the left chest over the heart. All shirts must be tucked in at the student's waist. All shirts must be long enough to remain tucked when seated. An undershirt may be worn under the uniform top. The undershirt must be white and the sleeve cannot be longer than the sleeve length of the uniform top. Turtlenecks or mock turtlenecks are not allowed under/over the uniform shirt.

Note: Maternity wear will consist of a white or navy button down blouse or school optional color shirt. The white or navy maternity blouse need not be tucked. However, standard uniform shirts must still be tucked.

UNIFORM BOTTOMS - Bottoms shall consist of classic, traditional, straight leg dark khaki or navy twill uniform pants or walking shorts with a finished hem (side slits on hems are not allowed). Uniform bottoms fit at the waist and crotch and be within one (1) size of the student's actual waist/inseam measurement. No cargo pockets are allowed on uniform bottoms. Bellbottoms, joggers, carpenter/cargo style pants, hip huggers, or jeans of any color and/or type are not allowed. Brand name emblems on uniform bottoms may not exceed 1" to 2" in size. All uniform bottoms must have a waistband with belt loops. Walking shorts shall not be more than four inches (4") above the back crease of the knee. Sagging of the uniforms bottoms will not be allowed.

Note: Maternity wear will consist of uniform colored maternity pants. Should uniform bottoms be worn, they must remain zipped and buttoned.

UNIFORM BOTTOMS FOR GIRLS - In addition to the above uniform bottoms; traditional style uniform jumpers and skirts will be allowed and must have a finished hem and shall not be more than four (4) inches above the back crease of the knee. All items of clothing must be worn as intended by design. Allowable colors are dark khaki and navy. Overalls are not permitted. Stone, white, or dark brown uniform bottoms are not allowed. Dark khaki/navy shorts are allowed for PreK to 2nd grade.

NOTE: No tight or revealing clothing worn by any student will not be tolerated, this also includes leggings and tights.

BELTS - A black, brown, khaki, white, navy, or optional school color belt must be worn or a plain belt with a buckle no larger than 2" x 3". No studs will be allowed. The entire length of the belt must be worn inside the loops. Hanging of any part of the belt outside the belt loops is not allowed. However, Pre-K through 2nd grade students may wear uniform bottoms with an elastic waistband without having to wear a belt. Belt loops should not be removed; if present, a belt must be worn for Pre-K through 2nd grade students.

SOCKS - Socks must be worn at all times. They must be solid navy, white, black, brown, or the school optional color with no inappropriate emblem or logo.

SHOES - Students must wear a closed shoe (front and back). Sandals, clogs, flip-flops, slippers, or other similar types of shoes are not allowed. Shoes must be laced and tied; Velcro straps must be secured.

OUTERWEAR - Outerwear with a hood is only allowed for Pre-K through 4th grade students and shall not be worn indoors. Outerwear with a hood is not allowed for students in grades 5th - 12th. In cold weather, students will be allowed to wear the following over their school uniform:

SWEATSHIRT (without a hood) - A sweatshirt must be waist length with a tight, ribbed elastic bottom, must be plain, solid colored in black, white, heather gray, or navy with no emblem, logo, or marking. Students can wear a sweatshirt in the optional school color with the school logo.

SWEATER (without a hood) - Crew neck, V-neck, or cardigan style (those that button or zip from the bottom) sweaters must have sleeves, must be waist length, must be plain, solid-colored in black, white, heather gray, or navy with no emblem, logo, or marking. Optional school color with school logo and school-issued sweaters are permitted.

LIGHTWEIGHT JACKET/WINDBREAKER/COAT (without a hood) - All outerwear, except for sweatshirts, must zip, button, or snap from top to bottom and must not be longer than upper mid-thigh. Outerwear must be plain, solid-colored in black, white, khaki, heather gray, or navy with no emblem, logo, or marking; however, jackets in the optional school color with school logo and school issued jackets are permitted.

NOTE: No leather, synthetic leather, corduroy, or suede will be allowed, unless school issued.

KNIT CAPS (Beanie) (without a face covering, ear flaps, or poms) - allowed as head gear and must be removed when entering school buildings/classrooms. Optional school color with school logo and school issued beanies are permitted.

Clear Backpack Policy:

In an effort to improve the safety measures currently in place, St. Landry Parish School Board requires all school students to use clear or mesh backpacks. Students participating in an extracurricular activity are permitted to carry non-transparent bags to store items pertaining to their particular activity (i.e. band, athletics, etc.). Upon entry into the school, all extracurricular activity bags must be stored in lockers in sports' lockers or areas designated by personnel. All bags are subject to search. Additionally, the maximum size for non-transparent bags that students are permitted to carry during the school day, such as lunch kits, pencil bags and purses, will be 9"x 6 x 5".

Clear Water Bottles:

The only water bottles permitted to be brought into school must be clear/transparent and plastic. No steel or glass permitted. Students may use refilling stations during transitions, but may not leave class to refill water bottles. Water bottles that are not clear will be confiscated and a parent will have to come to receive it back.

Restroom:

Students are provided multiple opportunities to take care of restroom needs. Students are allowed to go to the restroom before school, during class transitions, and during their lunch breaks. Students miss out on important instruction and learning when they repeatedly leave class to go to the restroom. Students are expected to take care of restroom needs at times other than class time. Students are given three (3) opportunities per class/per quarter to leave class to go to the restroom. If a student chooses to leave a class once all three passes have been used, , each subsequent (after 3) restroom break will result in a disciplinary consequence such as lunch detention, ISD, before school, or after school detention. When leaving class to go to the restroom, students have 5 minutes to return to class. Students missing from class for an extended period of time over 5 minutes will be reported to administration.

Student Drivers

- STUDENT MUST BE CLEAR OF ALL DEBTS TO PURCHASE A PARKING PERMIT.
- No automobiles are to leave the parking lot at the end of the school day until all buses have passed and exited the driveway.
- All automobiles that are parked in the parking lot must have a current EHS parking sticker on them.
- Driving to school CANNOT be used as an excuse for tardiness. No driving excuses are valid excuses.
- All automobiles must have insurance.
- All automobiles are to be parked parallel by single or double rows. Students will not block other student's vehicles in, if they do so their vehicle will be towed at their expense.
- The driver and all passengers must exit the automobile immediately upon parking in the parking lot and not return until the end of the day, unless permission is granted by administration.
- The parking lot is off limits during the regular school day unless the student has been given an early release slip from the attendance office.
- The owner of an automobile parked in the parking lot is responsible for any and all damage to other property or individuals by that automobile. The school will not be responsible for damage to any automobile.
- All sound systems must be lowered upon entering campus.
- Once the car is on EHS campus, a student may not smoke in the car. If a search takes place, students are responsible for being in possession of any prohibited items.
- Campus speed limit is 10 mph at all times.
- Arriving or leaving campus should not be in such a manner to disturb surrounding neighborhoods.
- For safety reasons, students must turn right onto Bobcat Drive when leaving campus at the end of the day.

NOTE: The official transportation to school is the school bus. If any student chooses to ride in a private automobile, then he/she chooses to follow these regulations.

NOTE: The student parking lot is located on the north and south of the school. Students will be assigned the appropriate parking lot.

NOTE: An 8th tardy to school will result in the parking permit being revoked for a period of two weeks.

Failure to follow these regulations in the parking lot will result in disciplinary action which may include losing driving privileges or having the automobile towed from the school property at the owner's expense. If your permit is pulled for violating parking permit rules it will cost \$20.00 to obtain a replacement (Only one replacement will be allowed).

NOTE: Students violating safe driving practices on the school campus, or who violate other student driver expectations will lose the privilege of driving to school.

Student Parking:

Students must purchase a parking permit in order to park on school premises. The school reserves the right to assign parking areas. Students will be assigned parking areas on either the north or south side and must park in these designated areas. Only current athletes and cheerleaders will be allowed to park in the south parking lot. **Students are not allowed to park behind the school, along the north and south curves, or where teachers park.** Students are expected to follow the flow of traffic guidelines and to use safe and responsible driving protocols. The parking lots are strictly off-limits during the school day, and students may not go to their cars to retrieve forgotten items. Eunice High School is not responsible for any theft or vandalism of automobiles parked on campus.

Loss of Parking Privileges:

Driving to school is a privilege, not a right. Students who fail to follow parking lot procedures, drive unsafely, or drive off of campus, etc. during the school day without permission will risk losing these privileges.

****ALL VEHICLES PARKED ON CAMPUS WILL BE SUBJECT TO SEARCHES CONDUCTED BY EHS ADMINISTRATION. CONTRABAND, WEAPONS, DRUGS, ALCOHOL, ETC. IS PROHIBITED FROM BEING IN STUDENT VEHICLES WHILE PARKED ON CAMPUS****

District and/or school administration has the right to:

- To limit a student's participation in graduation activities for violating the district's Student Code of Conduct
- Participation might include a speaking role as established by district policy and procedures.
- To revoke parking privileges.
- To search a student or vehicle driven to school by a student and parked on school property whenever there is reasonable suspicion to believe it contains articles or materials prohibited by the district.
- To search or inspect, desks, lockers, book bags/backpacks, district-provided technology or similar items that are the

property of the district and are provided for student use as a matter of convenience

Bulletin 1191: State of Louisiana Department of Education Rules for School Bus Riders

A school bus with undisciplined passengers is a hazardous bus. The misbehavior of the students can lead to accidents. The driver must concentrate on the driving task at hand and cannot be expected to constantly discipline the students while the bus is in motion. A student's behavior on the bus should be no different than in a classroom. Therefore, for the safe operation of the school bus, students should be aware of and obey the following safety rules.

Bus Rider: Student Rules: Supervision And Disciplinary Guidelines

- Student shall follow directions of the operator the first time given.
- Student shall arrive at the bus stop before the bus arrives.
- Student shall wait in a safe place, clear of traffic and away from where the bus stops.
- Student shall wait in an orderly line and shall avoid horseplay.
- Student shall cross the road or street in front of the bus only after the bus has come to a complete stop and upon direction of the operator.
- Student shall go directly to an available or assigned seat when entering the bus.
- Student shall remain seated and keep aisles and exits clear.
- Student shall exhibit classroom conduct at all times.
- Student shall refrain from throwing or passing objects in, from or into buses.
- Student is permitted to carry only objects that can be held on his/her lap.
- Student shall not use profane language, obscene gestures, tobacco, alcohol, drugs or any other controlled substance in the bus.
- Student shall refrain from eating and drinking in the bus.
- Student shall not carry hazardous materials or non-service animals into the bus.
- Student shall respect the rights and safety of others.
- Student shall refrain from leaving or boarding the bus at locations other than the assigned stop.
- Student shall refrain from extending head, arms or objects out of the bus windows.
- Student shall refrain from hitching rides via the rear bumper or other parts of the bus

Act 619: School Threat Accountability and Safety Act

School Threats Have Serious Consequences: *Louisiana law provides significant criminal penalties for individuals who terrorize or menace school property, school-sponsored activities, or firearm-free zones.*

Examples of School Threats

- Threatening violence against students or staff.
- Posting threats on social media.
- Sending threatening emails or text messages.
- Making false reports of an active shooter.
- Making false bomb threats.
- Creating fear or panic through threatening communications.

Juvenile Consequences

Students should understand that threats made as jokes, pranks, social media posts, text messages, verbal statements, or other online communications may result in a criminal investigation and juvenile court proceedings.

For certain offenses, courts may order:

- Mental health evaluations;
- Probation;
- Juvenile detention;
- Participation in intervention programs;
- Other court-ordered services and conditions.

Parental Liability

The Act establishes financial consequences for parents or legal guardians in certain circumstances involving juvenile offenders.

Potential consequences may include:

- Upon adjudication of a felony grade delinquent act of subsequent violation of R.S. 14:40.1, the parent, custodian, or other legal guardian shall be subject to a civil fine of not less than five thousand dollars or more than ten thousand dollars.
- Court-ordered reimbursement of law enforcement response costs;
- Court-ordered reimbursement of emergency management expenses;
- Court-ordered reimbursement of other governmental response expenditures.

Criminal Consequences

Terrorizing a School

Terrorizing is the intentional communication of information that the commission of a crime of violence is imminent or in progress or that a circumstance dangerous to human life exists or is about to exist, with the intent of causing members of the general public to be in sustained fear for their safety; or causing evacuation of a building, a public structure, or a facility of transportation; or causing other serious disruption to the general public.

Individuals convicted may face:

- Fines up to \$15,000
- Imprisonment at hard labor for 5 to 15 years
- Loss of eligibility for parole, probation, or suspension of sentence

Menacing a School

Menacing is the intentional communication of information that the commission of a crime of violence, as defined in R.S. 14:2(B), is imminent or in progress or that a circumstance dangerous to human life exists or is about to exist, when committed under any of the following circumstances:

- (a) The actions of the offender cause members of the general public to be in sustained fear for their safety, and a reasonable person would have known that such actions could cause such sustained fear.
- (b) The actions of the offender cause the evacuation of a building, a public structure, or a facility of transportation, and a reasonable person would have known that such actions could cause an evacuation.
- (c) The actions of the offender cause any other serious disruption to the general public, and a reasonable person would have known that such actions could cause serious disruption to the general public.

Individuals convicted may face:

- Fines up to \$1,000
- Imprisonment for 2 to 5 years

Additional Consequences

Students may also face:

- School disciplinary action
- Suspension or expulsion
- Juvenile court proceedings
- Mental health evaluations
- Probation or detention
- Participation in intervention programs

Parental Liability

Parents or guardians may be required to:

- Upon adjudication of a felony grade delinquent act of subsequent violation of R.S. 14:40.1, the parent, custodian, or other legal guardian shall be subject to a civil fine of not less than five thousand dollars or more than ten thousand dollars.

- Reimburse emergency response costs
- Reimburse law enforcement expenses

Remember...

A threat made online is treated the same as a threat made in person. If you become aware of a threat, immediately notify school personnel or law enforcement. School safety is everyone's responsibility.

Electronic/Telecommunication Devices: (State Law)

"No student shall possess, on his person, an electronic telecommunication device throughout the instructional day. If a student brings an electronic telecommunication device in any public elementary or secondary school building or on the grounds thereof during an instructional day, the electronic device shall either be turned off and properly stowed away for the duration of the instructional day or prohibited from being turned on and used during the instructional day. A student shall not use or operate any electronic device or carry an electronic device on his or her person from the time of arrival at school to the time of departure from school without specific permission from the school administrator(s). "No student, unless authorized by the school principal or his or her designee, shall use or operate any electronic telecommunication device, including but not limited to, any cell or smartphone, smartwatch, intercom, or electronic mechanical paging device, MP3, iPod, meta glasses during the instructional day. A violation of these provisions may be grounds for disciplinary action, including but not limited, to suspension from school. Students are not to use and operate cell or smart phones during scheduled school events (fire drills, assemblies, or other school evacuations) or during times of testing and other student evaluations. All confiscated electronic telecommunication devices shall be returned to the parent/guardian. School personnel will not assume responsibility for damaged, lost, or stolen items, including items that may have been confiscated."

Electronic telecommunication devices shall include, but not be limited to, cellular telephones, personal computers, laptops, electronic instruments, iPads, iPods, tablet devices, e-readers, or similar devices. These provisions shall not be applicable to a student whose Individualized Education Program, Individualized Accommodation Plan, Section 504 plan, or Individualized Health Plan requires the student's use of an electronic telecommunication device. A violation of these provisions may be grounds for disciplinary action, including but not limited to, suspension from school. Nothing shall prohibit the use and operation by any person, including students, of any electronic telecommunication device in the event of an emergency. Emergency shall mean an actual or imminent threat to public health or safety which may result in loss of life, injury, or property damage. For purposes of this policy, the terms use and operation shall mean whenever the electronic telecommunication device is turned on.

Because telecommunication devices are brought at a student's own risk, EHS staff will not investigate or file theft reports for students or parents for the loss of a telecommunication device at school. In addition, the theft of any other item considered prohibited, or contraband, will not be investigated.

Red Zones/Green Zones

Students may use cell phones in/during green zones.

Green zones are:

- Before school, and during the student's lunch period. Before school and during lunch, phones may not be heard, must remain in silent mode, and cannot be used to take videos or pictures.. Posting on social media during the day is strictly prohibited.

Red zones are:

- During instructional time, in restrooms, and during assemblies/pep rallies.

Red Zone Guidelines:

During red zones, phones must be off and stowed in bookbag. Electronic devices may not be carried in the student's pocket.

Students are prohibited from videoing or recording teachers, staff members, or other individuals.

Taking pictures or videoing during the school day is strictly prohibited.. Posting on social media during school hours is prohibited. Students in violation will receive a major office referral and face serious disciplinary consequences

****Students whose cell phone or other electronic devices are visible during red zones times/areas, which includes all classes, transitions, and assemblies/pep rallies will face disciplinary action. Electronic device violations will result in a major referral being submitted and confiscation of the device will occur. Refusal to comply with electronic device confiscation will result in an additional major infraction being entered for willful disobedience and failure to comply. The student will then face additional disciplinary consequences as per administrative discretion****

Chromebooks

Students will have access to, and/or will be assigned a Chromebook provided by SLPSB. The Chromebook is the property of the St. Landry Parish School Board. A student who intentionally damages a Chromebook due to misuse and/or neglect will face disciplinary action and will be responsible for the cost of repair and/or replacement of the device.

The student:

- Is responsible for the general care of the Chromebook.
- Will only use the Chromebook for educational purposes and in a responsible and ethical manner.
- Will not attempt to remove or change the physical structure of the Chromebook (keys, case, etc.) and do not attempt to repair the device.
- Will not deface, vandalize, destroy, damage, ruin or scratch the Chromebook in any way.
- Will not remove or interfere with identification placed on the device, such as the property tag, serial number, Chromebook ID, etc.
- Will not write, draw, place stickers or labels on the device.
- Will not be permitted to add apps or extensions to the Chromebook.
- Will not attempt to delete district or school installed settings.

Zero Tolerance For Fighting

School principals may call appropriate law enforcement authorities for every fight involving students who are 14 years of age or older. Appropriate law enforcement authorities include assigned School Resource Officers. If there are no assigned School Resource Officers available, local law enforcement authorities may be called. Law enforcement authorities will investigate the fight and may recommend one of the following actions:

- Issuing the student a misdemeanor summons.
- Releasing the student to a parent or guardian with the agreement that both will appear in Juvenile Court.
- Arresting the student.

Students involved in a fight at school will also be subject to a short term suspension, long term suspension, or expulsion as stated in this handbook.

Pushing and shoving are not considered fighting, but once a punch is thrown, a “fight” has occurred. Since pushing and shoving lead to fighting and are violations of school policy, the student will be subject to suspension or expulsion as stated in this handbook. Non-aggressive self-defense allows the student to defend himself against an attack, but only to the point where the attacker backs off.

This Zero Tolerance for Fighting is in effect from the time the student leaves home for school until the time the student returns home from school. It is also in effect during all school-related activities. The student’s responsibility is to alert a principal, teacher, coach, etc. to any hostile attempt directed toward them. Administrators are then required to take immediate action to prevent further hostile attempts.

Possible Consequences for Violations of the Student Code of Conduct can include, but not limited to:

- Conference
- Parental Contact
- Restorative Discipline

- Lunch Detention
- After School Detention
- Before School Detention
- Saturday School:
- In School Detention/Time Out Room
- Short or Long Term Suspension
- Expulsion from School
- Filing of Criminal Charges

Attendance Policy for High School Students

Students in 2010-2011 and beyond will be required to be in attendance of 83.5 six—hour days per semester of their required instructional days in order to receive grades or gain entry into the Career Diploma pathway. Students are required to attend school each day scheduled by the school system, except for excused absences. As per LDOE, Louisiana requires students to attend school for a certain number of days to be promoted to the next grade and earn credit for a course. Under the law, students must attend schools from age 5 to 18 or until they graduate from high school. Students are required to attend school regularly and must attend at least 167 days to earn credit and be eligible for promotion to the next grade. Students in danger of failing due to excessive absences may be allowed to make up missed time in class sessions held outside the regular class time. The make-up sessions must be completed before the end of the current semester and all other policies must be met.

Parents and students should regularly check JCAMPUS to monitor students' attendance. When students are absent from school, they miss out on important learning opportunities. When absent, doctor's excuses must be brought to the front office within 5 days of return. Students are responsible for contacting their teachers on the day of return to school. Students have 5 days to make-up tests/assignments with a valid doctor's excuse. Without valid documentation for absences, grades that are a regular part of a student's daily grade will not be allowed to be made up.

A student may have his or her driver's license or driver's permit denied or suspended by the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Department until his or her eighteenth birthday for failing or refusing to present appropriate documentation that he or she has complied with mandatory school attendance, or if the Motor Vehicle Department receives written notification from his or her school that he or she is a dropout or is habitually absent or habitually tardy (truant). All approved holidays are announced in advance by the district office and can be found on the [District Calendar](#). Eunice High does not sponsor, nor approve, "skip days."

Students who are truant (more than 5 unexcused absences in a course per academic semester) will not be eligible for special recognitions, honors, or participation in particular events including, but not limited to:

- Homecoming Court
- Hall of Fame
- National Honor Society
- ACE Letterman
- Mr/Miss. EHS
- Ceremonies (ring ceremony, assemblies, etc.)

Field Trips and Special Events During the School Day:

Truant students may be denied participation in field trips and other school sponsored events if their attendance record shows a need for them to remain in class due to the amount of days of instruction that have already been missed.

Athletes/Spirit Group Members/Clubs and Organization Members:

Must be in attendance for the entire day in order to practice, participate in a game, attend a meeting or other activity, etc. Students in this category who report late to school, miss part of the day, or checkout will be prohibited from any type of participation.

Failure to Comply: Failure to abide by the compulsory school attendance laws of the state may result in a referral to Families in Need of Services (FINS) which is a state mandated program or to the District Court with jurisdiction.

Seat Time Recovery

Students who miss more than 2 unexcused days in a nine week period, or who are tardy 4 or more times in a nine week period, will be required to do seat time recovery. Seat time recovery will be held either before or after school, or on Saturdays.

Checking In Late:

Students who report to school after the 7:28 am bell may NOT sign themselves into school. A legal guardian or parent must report to the office to sign the student into school. Unexcused check-ins are considered tardies and absences in the classes missed.

Tardy Policy

In order for students to be successful and productive, they must develop habits of punctuality. These habits will contribute to academic success as well as career success. Since tardiness is neither responsible nor productive, and since it is disruptive to the educational process, students will be held accountable for punctuality. A student shall be considered tardy to class if the student is not in the classroom when the bell to begin class ceases. Students who exhibit excessive tardiness shall be subject to disciplinary action. Any doctor's excuse for checking in late must be presented to the office at the time of check-in. Any student who arrives at school after the morning tardy bell or who will be considered tardy to school.

Tardy Policy & Check-Ins & Check-Outs

Due to excessive tardiness(which includes check-ins and check-outs) on the part of some students, and the disruption to instruction that late arrival of students entering class late causes, EHS has implemented a series of consequences for habitual tardies/check-ins and check-outs. Once a student has earned his/her 4th tardy in the same class, he/she will be assigned disciplinary consequences beginning with in school detention. Progressive disciplinary consequences will be assigned at the discretion of the administration if the student continues to report late to class, and may include after school detention, Saturday school, or suspension. Tardies are cumulative 1st-7th period. A student is considered tardy if not in class when the tardy bell rings. A student is considered "skipped class" when he/she is more than 5 minutes late for class.

At the discretion of administration, tardy lockouts may be implemented. Lockouts are implemented to allow teachers to teach without the disruption of students coming in late. When a student enters class late, instruction stops and learning is disrupted..

Checkout Procedures

Students miss important instruction and learning when they are not in class. It is important that students report to school on time and remain for the entire school day. Parents are asked to refrain from checking students out of school unless the student will return with a doctor's excuse. Unexcused early checkouts count as tardies. Check out requests will not be approved via telephone. No student will be allowed to check out of school at any time during the school day unless the parent or guardian comes to school in person to sign the student out. This applies to student drivers as well. Other than the parent or legal guardian, no one will be allowed to check students out of school unless the individual is listed on the student's check out card.

No checkouts will be allowed during lunch or within the last 30 minutes of the school day, 2:15 pm.

Once checked out, students must leave the campus immediately.

Registration Fee

Students are required to pay an activity fee at registration prior to the opening of school. The fee will cover the following items: copies, mail/communication, student handbooks, technology, student ID's, student rewards and incentives, and PBIS. Activity fees need to be paid to attend the homecoming dance. All fees need to be paid to attend Homecoming and Prom. All payments

must be made electronically. No cash payments will be accepted.

Textbooks and equipment

Each student is responsible for all books and equipment issued to him/her. Most are issued to students without cost. Students will be asked to sign for books, for which they will be responsible for the cost if damaged, lost, or stolen.

Chromebooks and chargers will be issued to all students at the beginning of the year. Students are responsible for the Chromebook that is assigned to them. If the Chromebook is damaged or missing, students are responsible for any costs. Students will pay a \$5.00 SLPSB technology fee for the Chromebook which covers damage, but not theft or loss. Students will be charged for the entire replacement cost of chromebooks not returned to Eunice High School.

School ID Policy & Guidelines

General Usage & Placement

- **Mandatory Wear:** Students must wear their official Eunice High School ID on a school appropriate lanyard around their neck or clipped to the color of the uniform shirts visible at all times while on campus.
- **Identification:** IDs are used by staff to ensure campus safety and are required for entering the school building each morning, signing into school, getting lunch, checking out instructional materials, trading classroom supplies, and getting discounted entry to athletic events.
- **Compliance:** Students must present their ID, state and spell their correct name, answer reasonable questions, and follow directions when asked by any school official.

Condition & Care

- **No Defacing:** IDs, covers, and lanyards must remain free of writing, stickers, stamps, unauthorized hole punches, graffiti, or damage.
- **Penalties for Alterations:** Any defaced or tampered ID will be confiscated, leading to disciplinary action and a mandatory replacement purchase.

Replacements & Temporary IDs

- **Lost/Damaged Replacement:** Permanent replacement IDs cost **\$5.00**. If administration determines a new ID is needed, one will be printed and added to the student's debt list.
- **Morning Protocol:** If you cannot produce an ID before the first bell, report immediately to the designated location to purchase a replacement before classes start.
- **Temporary IDs (\$1.00):** Can be purchased before 7:25 a.m. Purchasing a temporary ID after the first bell requires reporting to the front office and results in a tardy.
- **Temporary ID Limit:** Receiving a 5th temporary ID may result in detention.
- At temporary ID #5, the student will be required to purchase a replacement permanent ID at a cost of \$5.00

Violations & Disciplinary Actions

- **Prohibited Actions:** Lending your ID to anyone, failing to present it when asked, or failing to wear it properly is a

violation of school regulations.

- **Consequences:** Not wearing an ID as required results in detention. Repeated infractions, refusal to show an ID, or unauthorized sharing will lead to further disciplinary action.

Entry Into School (IDs)

Students must have IDs visible when they enter school in the mornings. Students exiting buses or vehicles on the north or south side will be made to go to the front of school to receive a temporary ID before entering campus. Students with no IDs will not be allowed to enter from the north or south doors, but instead will be made to walk to the front of school from the outside and enter through the front doors to receive a temporary I.D. for \$2.00. Students will be allowed to charge no more than 4 temps before being made to purchase a new ID for \$5.00

Emergency Procedures: Emergency Drills/Fire Drills/Fire Alarms Fire/emergency drills at regular intervals are required by law and are an important safety precaution. It is essential that when the first signal is given, everyone obeys orders promptly and clears the building by the prescribed route as quickly as possible and reports to the designated area. The teacher in each classroom will give the students instructions. If anyone falsely pulls a fire alarm, they will be arrested because falsely pulling the fire alarm is a criminal offense. Falsely pulling an alarm will also result in a suspension/expulsion.

Bobcat Den Regulations:

Libraries are for looking, lending, listening, and learning. Students will be using the library during the school year for both study and enjoyment. We are a support service to the academic curriculum and strive primarily to assist students and teachers in achieving reference and research objectives. Students should be reasonably quiet, constructively occupied, return borrowed material promptly, observe policies and procedures. Students may use the library at all times during the day. Books may be checked out for two weeks and renewed as often as necessary. Penalties for overdue books are five cents every day that the library is open. Overdue accounts are the responsibility of the student. Cost of lost materials will be assessed at retail price. If the book is found and returned, the cost of the book will be refunded minus the amount of fine. The library will be opened from 7:10 a.m. to 2:40 p.m.

Health and Medication

School personnel are not allowed to give medication to students without proper documentation on file with the school nurse as ordered by a medical official/doctor. This includes over the counter medication such as aspirin, Tylenol, cough drops, etc. Parents/legal guardians must meet with the school nurse if their child needs medicine distributed during the school day. If a student is on medication that must be taken during regular school hours, the medicine must be brought to the school nurse and the student will make arrangements through the office to be released at the proper time to take the medicine. At no time must a student have in his/her possession any medication. Students may NOT carry over the counter or prescribed medication to school. Distribution of any medication, including over the counter medication such as tylenol, etc. may result in a recommendation for expulsion. Student athletes may NOT carry medication, including over the counter drugs, to school sponsored athletic events as this is in direct violation of school and district policy.

Accidents

Any accident that occurs during school hours must be reported to the school administration immediately in order for an accident report to be completed. Eunice High School has no financial responsibility for accidents that occur on the school campus or school sponsored events. School insurance is available for all students. Please check in the front office for information.

Fundraising

Any fundraising activity using Eunice High School's name must be approved by Mrs. Trosclair. Required paperwork must be on file prior to the fundraising event. Fundraising events must be shared across various organizations so that all have the opportunity to raise money for their club/organization.

Selling Goods On Campus:

Selling of goods, or any other item on campus is strictly prohibited. Exception: School sponsored fund raisers.

Cafeteria & Meal Policies

The school cafeteria is a vital part of the health program of the school environment. To encourage good nutrition, a well-balanced breakfast and lunch is offered free of charge to all students. In order for students to eat breakfast, students must be in the cafeteria no later than 7:20 am.

Meals from Home

Food may be brought from home; however, the cafeteria cannot store meals brought from home. All meals from home must incorporate whole grains and other nutrient-dense foods by following the current meal pattern (meat/meat alternate, grains, fruit, vegetables, and milk) for breakfast and lunch in accordance with U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations and policies. To ensure proper holding temperatures, please make sure the food products are kept cold using ice packs until meal service. Fast food, candy, chips, and soft drinks or sugar-based juice drinks are not allowed in the cafeteria. Milk and 100% juice drinks are allowed and may also be purchased in the cafeteria. Food deliveries are not permitted. Students will not be called out of class to pick up food from the office.

Peanut and Seafood Free School

All school campuses are Peanut and Seafood Free. Food brought from home may not contain any type of nuts or any kind of seafood. Several enrolled students have severe allergies.

Special Diet Requests

For students requiring special diet restrictions, parents must provide official physician doctor orders stating the specific restrictions. Once physicians' orders are received, the parent is to meet with the school nurse to finalize required school documentation.

Lunchroom Procedures

- Present student I.D. to receive a meal.
- Use proper table manners and etiquette.
- Deposit all lunch litter in the wastebasket.
- Dispose of your tray and other such items. Do not leave your items on the table for someone else to pick up.
- Leave the table and floor around your place in a clean condition for others.
- No food or other lunch items may be taken out of the cafeteria.
- Leave the cafeteria after completing your meal.

Guidance

Counseling and counseling-related services are available to all students and are considered a regular educational service. The guidance office will provide services such as the following:

- orientation: diploma options, dual enrollment information, ranking, etc.
- college and career planning
- academic guidance
- course scheduling
- concerns of a personal nature
- information on colleges and universities; scholarships, financial aid, TOPS, etc..
- career and Armed Forces information
- referral services for students and parents: crisis counseling

Students wishing to see the counselor are to sign up in the counselor's office, or stop by during the designated time. A student in crisis should seek the counselor, teacher, or administrator as needed. In the event of a personal crisis, a counselor may request the assistance of the district's counseling team, a district psychologist, or youth service specialist (social worker). Office hours are from 7:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Parent Conferences

Productive communication between the school and the parent can have a positive impact on students. Parents are encouraged to reach out to teachers and/or administration as needed when questions or concerns arise. Parents can make appointments for conferences with teachers, the counselor, or the principal by telephoning the school office at 337.457.3011. Parents must schedule appointments in advance of reporting to campus.

Co-Curricular and Extracurricular Activities:

We are committed to providing, for each of our students, a program of student activities. All activities shall be in compliance with pertinent regulations of the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. All work missed by students while participating in student activities or events shall be made up and completed in a manner that would be required of any other students in order to receive credit. No student shall be allowed to participate in any event on the day or night while suspended or expelled from school, or absent for a full day of school the day of the activity unless released by a health care provider or excused by the principal. Students who miss more than 2 unexcused days of school in the week of a game/event may not be allowed to participate.

Special Education Participation: All non-academic and extracurricular services and activities shall be offered to all exceptional students in a manner that allows them equal opportunity to participate in services and activities.

Co-curricular Activities: Co-curricular activities are activities that are relevant, supportive, that are an integral part of the program of studies in which the student is enrolled, and that are under the supervision and/or coordination of the school instructional staff.

Extracurricular Activities: Extracurricular activities are those activities that are not directly related to the program of studies which are under the supervision and/or coordination of the school instructional staff and which are considered valuable for the overall development of the student. Extracurricular activities shall not be scheduled during instructional time.

Athletics

All interscholastic athletics at Eunice High School are approved and sanctioned by the Louisiana High School Athletic Association. To be eligible for interscholastic athletics, a student must have passed six (6) academic subjects and maintain a "C" average the preceding semester. Members of the athletic teams, as well as members of the band, green jackets, color guard, dance team, and cheerleaders must be present at the entire day to be eligible to practice, or participate in their respective activities on that day. Eunice High School competes in football, basketball (boys and girls), track (boys and girls), golf (boys and girls), tennis (boys and girls), baseball, softball, and girls' volleyball. In order for a student to be eligible to participate in any extracurricular activity, he/she must be in attendance for the entire day. In the event that there is a weekend event, the athlete must be in attendance the entire day on the Friday prior to the weekend activity.

Student Behavior Expectations:

All school rules and regulations are enforced at athletic/extracurricular events, as well as field trips. Students who are suspended from school are not allowed to attend any extracurricular activities or events.

Clubs and Organizations:

Sponsors and coaches of extracurricular activities may develop and enforce standards of conduct that are higher than the district's general standards and may condition membership or the student's participation in the activity on adherence to those standards. Extracurricular standards of behavior may take into consideration conduct that occurs at any time, on or off school property. However, no provision of an extracurricular behavioral standard shall have the effect of discriminating on the basis of gender, race, disability, religion, or ethnicity.

Friday Spirit Shirt Day

Spirit Day shirts may be worn with parish-approved pants/shorts/skirts on designated days set by the principal. The shirt must be a Eunice High approved/appropriate shirt and must be in school colors. The principal may designate other special “dress up” days. It should be noted that any student who comes to school attired in such a fashion as to be distracting to classes or regular school activities will be required to call home for acceptable attire and will be required to report to the administration before being readmitted to class. If no one is available to bring appropriate clothes to school, the student will access lessons in TOR.

Homecoming

Eunice High School will sponsor a homecoming dance. Students and guests are responsible for all rules and regulations set forth by Eunice High School. Any student who has an excessive amount of absences or repeated major disciplinary referrals will have to have administrative approval before attending the dance. All students and guests will be subject to a breathalyzer test upon arrival to the dance. Any student who fails the breathalyzer test will have parents called and may be subject to a report being filed with SRO (School Resource Officer.) All guests will go through metal detectors and be wanded to gain entrance into the dance.

Ticket Information

School registration fees must be paid in order to purchase homecoming tickets to attend the homecoming dance. (All school debts must be cleared to attend prom). EHS students are allowed to purchase one ticket for themselves and a ticket for one guest only. Students must show their IDs to purchase tickets. IDs must also be shown at the door of the dance.

Guests:

If the student is bringing a guest who is a non-student, then the guest must enter the dance with the student. The guest's name should be placed on the student's ticket. Guests who attend a school other than EHS, must complete and return a permission form (the form can be picked up in the office) prior to purchasing a ticket. All EHS students are responsible for their guests. Guests must be under 21 years of age, and in at least the 9th grade. Students in middle or junior high school are NOT allowed to attend the dance. Only current EHS students may purchase tickets.

Lock-In:

Once a student enters the dance, he/she may not leave until the dance is over.

Homecoming Attire

GIRLS:

- **Allowed:**
Tasteful dresses or pantsuits. Dresses are to be no shorter than 4-5 inches above the knee. If backless, can't be too low cut in the back. Be tasteful and classy. Clear purses.
- **NOT Allowed:**
Low cut fronts, bare midriffs, two piece dresses, body cut outs of any kind, skirt slits passed mid-thigh, see through fabric or netting above the thigh. Jeans or torn clothing.

BOYS:

- **Allowed:**
Suit or sports jacket with shirt and dress slacks. If not wearing a suit or a sports jacket, then a button down shirt with a tie or bow tie is required.
- **NOT Allowed:**
Jeans or shorts. Torn clothing.

Homecoming attire must be worn for the duration of the dance.

Prom Guidelines

Students and guests are responsible for all rules and regulations set forth by Eunice High School. Any student who has an excessive amount of absences or repeated major disciplinary referrals will have to have administrative approval before attending the dance. All students and guests will be subject to a breathalyzer test upon arrival to the dance. Any student who fails the breathalyzer test will have parents called and may be subject to a report being filed with SRO (School Resource Officer.) All

guests will go through metal detectors and be wanded to gain entrance into the dance.

Ticket Information and Guidelines

All school debts must be cleared in order to purchase prom tickets. EHS students are allowed to purchase one ticket for themselves and a ticket for one guest only. Students must show their IDs to purchase tickets. IDs must also be shown at the door of the dance.

Guests:

If the student is bringing a guest who is a non-student, then the guest must enter the dance with the student. The guest's name should be placed on the student's ticket. Guests who attend a school other than EHS, must complete and return a permission form (the form can be picked up in the office) prior to purchasing a ticket. All EHS students are responsible for their guests. Guests must be under 21 years of age, and in at least the 9th grade. Students in middle or junior high school are not allowed to attend the dance. Only current EHS students may purchase tickets

Lock-In:

Once a student enters the dance, he/she may not leave until the dance is over.

Prom Girls' Dress Code:

Allowed:

Strapless formal dresses, spaghetti type straps, backless formal dresses or pantsuits, tea length/short formal party dresses.

NOT Allowed:

Low cut fronts, bare midriffs, two piece dresses, body cut outs of any kind, skirt slits higher than mid-thigh, see through fabric or netting above mid-thigh.

Formal attire must be worn for the duration of the event.

Boys' Dress Code:

Allowed: Suit or tuxedo with shirt and tie or sports coat with dress slack/shirt and tie

NOT Allowed: Jeans or shorts.

Formal attire must be worn for the duration of the event.

Administration makes the final determination as to what is or is not appropriate attire. Students not dressed appropriately will not be allowed to enter the dance. No money will be refunded.

Academics

PARENTS AND STUDENTS CAN MONITOR THEIR GRADES AND ASSIGNMENTS THROUGH THE USE OF JCAMPUS. JCampus instructions can be found [here](#). Parents who have difficulty creating an account should email Ms. R. Smith at rsmith@slpsb.org for assistance. Please include the student's name and grade level in the request. Parents and students should regularly check JCAMPUS to be aware of the student's grades, assignments, and attendance. There is also a JCampus App for download on your cellular device through Apple App Store and Google Play. The app is called **JCStudent**. Parents are encouraged to download the app for easier access to students grades and teacher communications.

Honor Roll

An honor roll is posted at the end of each grading period. The honor roll will be set up by grades in the following manner:

- All "A's" -- Principal's List
- "B's" or better -- Honor Roll (No grade lower than a "B")

Preparation for College Exams and Armed Services Examinations

Eunice High School offers its students the opportunity to prepare for the ACT, Work Keys, CLEP and ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery). The ASVAB is offered to all interested juniors and seniors. Students may sign up in the guidance department and if interested will be allowed to take any exam as long as they meet all necessary requirements.

Curriculum

Course selections should be aligned with plans for graduation. Graduation requirements are subject to change by stipulation by BESE and the state legislature. Eunice High School will conform to these changes.

For students entering 9th grade in 2014-2015 and beyond who are completing the Jump Start Career Tops Tech option
JUMP START TOPS TECH (CAREER DIPLOMA) COURSE REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH	4 UNITS
MATHEMATICS	4 UNITS
SCIENCE	2 UNITS
SOCIAL STUDIES	2 UNITS
HEALTH EDUCATION	½ UNIT
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	1 ½ UNITS
**JUMP START	9 UNITS
TOTAL	23 UNITS

**Jump Start course sequence, workplace experiences and approved credentials (a minimum of one industry-based credential is required for graduation).

*For Fall grade 9 entry 2023-2024 and thereafter, Geometry is required. For grade 9 entry prior to 2023-2024, students must take three additional Math courses of which Geometry is an option

* For Fall grade 9 entry 2024-2025 and thereafter, Financial Literacy is required. For grade 9 entry prior to 2024-2025, students must take four units of math, of which Financial Math is an option.

For students entering 9th grade in 2024 - 2025 and beyond who are completing TOPS University Diploma:

TOPS University Diploma Requirements

ENGLISH	4 UNITS
MATHEMATICS	4 UNITS
SCIENCE	4 UNITS
SOCIAL STUDIES	4 UNITS
HEALTH EDUCATION	½ UNIT
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	1 ½ UNITS
FOREIGN LANGUAGE	2 UNITS
ARTS	1 UNIT
ELECTIVES	3 UNITS
TOTAL	24 UNITS

*For Fall grade 9 entry 2024-2025 and thereafter, 2 electives are required. For grade 9 entry prior to 2024-2025, 3 electives are required

*For Fall grade 9 entry 2024-2025 and thereafter, financial literacy is required. For grade 9 entry prior to 2024-2025, financial literacy is not required.

Classification of Students

Promotion will be determined by the number of Carnegie units earned by each student as follows:

- *Freshman-Successful completion of 8th grade requirements; approved elementary school
- *Sophomore-From 6 to 11.5 Carnegie units
- *Juniors-12 to 17.5 Carnegie units
- *Senior-At least 18 Carnegie units

LEAP 2025 Assessments

**High school students enrolled in Algebra I, Geometry, Biology, American History, English I, and English II are accountable to the LEAP 2025 Grading Policy. 15% of the student's final grade will be derived from the student's score on the LEAP 2025 Test. If the student passes the course and fails the LEAP 2025 Test, the student may retake the LEAP 2025 Test at a later date. However, the score from the retest will not count in the student's grade.

****For Fall grade 9 entry 2024-2025 and thereafter, students enrolled in Civics will also be held accountable.**

GRADUATION

High school students must meet all course and attendance requirements and pass all sections of the end of course test prior to graduating. In addition, these students must meet the same criteria to participate in graduation exercises.

Report Cards

Report cards will be issued every nine weeks. It is the student's responsibility to show his/her parents his/her report card.

Grading Scale

As per action during the 2024 Louisiana legislative session, ACT 428 requires the following state-wide 10-point grading scale.

100-90	A
89-80	B
79-70	C
69-60	D
59-0	F

Midterm and Final Exams

In order to prepare our students to excel on standardized tests and other college, armed forces, and technical school's entrance exams, Eunice High School shall require students to take a comprehensive, district-created midterm exam in all core courses. During midterm and final exam weeks, there will be no checkouts during testing time. No student will be allowed to take an exam earlier than the scheduled exam time. Students checking in late will report to the library and arrangements will be made to reschedule testing.

Cheating/Plagiarism

A student caught cheating on a test, homework assignment, project, or any other assignment shall receive a major disciplinary referral for academic dishonesty. The student will be made to redo the assignment .

Students faced with the task of writing a paper are sometimes tempted to borrow facts, ideas, or phrases from other writers as an aid to their own expressions. The attempt of any student to present as his/her own work which he/she has not produced is regarded as plagiarism. Students found guilty of plagiarism, as well as students assisting others in plagiarism, will be subject to disciplinary action.

Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Students are expected to use AI technologies ethically, respecting copyright laws, privacy norms, and the intellectual property rights of others. AI should not be used to engage in plagiarism, cheating, or any form of dishonesty in academic work. AI work must not be submitted in the place of student work.

Student Consequences (as per St. Landry Parish School Board Student Handbook,
Section X: Academic Integrity / Acceptable Use Policy)

The following are general guidelines; specific disciplinary actions may vary based on the severity of the offense, intent, and prior disciplinary record.

● First Offense (Minor):

- Warning and re-education on responsible AI use.
- Redo the assignment without AI, or with proper disclosure/citation.
- Possible reduction in grade for the specific assignment.
- Parent/guardian notification.

● Second Offense (Moderate):

- Zero on the assignment.
- Detention or in-school suspension.
- Meeting with student, parent/guardian, teacher, and administrator.

- Temporary or permanent restriction from using AI tools in school.
- **Severe Offenses (e.g., repeated plagiarism, creating harmful content, sharing PII, attempting to bypass security):**
 - Out-of-school suspension.
 - Failure of the course.
 - Referral to law enforcement if illegal activity is involved (e.g., cyberbullying, illegal content generation).
 - Permanent restriction from using school technology and AI tools.
 - Potential expulsion.

Late Work Policy:

It is important that students demonstrate responsibility and are held accountable for submitting assignments/work in a timely manner. Deadlines are established to keep students on track and ensure timely feedback. While submitting work on time is expected, this policy provides a structured, transparent framework for submitting late assignments while encouraging accountability and time management.

Deduction Structure

Submission Timeframe	Point Deduction	Maximum Grade Possible
On Time (By deadline)	0% deduction	100%
1 Day Late (Up to 24 hours past deadline)	-10% off total value	90%
2 Days Late (24–48 hours past deadline)	-20% off total value	80%
3 Days Late (48–72 hours past deadline)	-30% off total value	70% Parent Notification of Late Work: At this point, the teacher shall notify parents of the missing assignment, and possible grade deductions. Notify administration of repeated issues with the same student(s).
4–5 Days Late	-50% off total value	50%

Beyond 5 Days Late / Unit End

Teacher Discretion,
which may result in
no credit earned.

0-49%, teacher discretion based on what was
submitted and how late the submission is.

Note: Percentage deductions apply to the total possible point value of the assignment before grading for accuracy.

Key Rules & Extensions:

- IEP / 504 / ELL Accommodations: Students with documented accommodations for extended time will receive their designated modifications automatically without point penalty. However, modified deadlines must be pre-arranged before the original due date.

Honors Program

Honors classes designation shall only be given to core curriculum courses; however, when Dual Enrollment courses are available, those courses shall replace the honors course and no additional honors course in that subject may be offered. Students enrolled in a district honors class (not to include Dual Enrollment courses) must have scored Mastery or Advanced on the most recent Spring LEAP administration or have a 3.0 average in the course in which the student is wanting to enroll in honors. Each content area should be looked at independently for enrollment in honors course(s). When available, honors courses must adhere to the Louisiana Department of Education's honors course guidance and must use the honors course code. In addition, all SLPSB honors courses must ensure that the course curriculum is completed in its entirety and that extensions are included to provide advanced learning.

Academic Lettering Requirements (A.C.E.)

Eunice High School, in conjunction with its A.C.E. program (Academic Curriculum for Excellence), is offering its students the opportunity to earn a letterman jacket in academics. In order to qualify for an academic letter, the student must be enrolled in Eunice High School's Honors Program. The student must have completed at least five semesters of the A.C.E. program (three of which must be at Eunice High) and must have earned a minimum cumulative 3.3 G.P.A. in this specific curriculum. A student, therefore, has four opportunities to earn an academic letter before he/she graduates—at the end of the spring semester sophomore year, fall and spring semester during his/her junior year, and fall semester of senior year.

The A.C.E. curriculum for academic lettering consists of the following subjects:

English I, English II, English III DE, English IV DE
Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Advanced Math DE
Environmental Science, Biology I, Chemistry, Physics
Civics, American History, World Geography, Western Civilization (H)
2 units of foreign language

All courses listed above must be HONORS courses

Once a student letters in academics, he/she is then required to maintain the necessary academic requirements. The student must continue to be enrolled in the Eunice High School's Honors Program; failure to do so will automatically cause the student to lose his/her letterman's status. Also, failure to meet the required 3.3 cumulative G.P.A. in the A.C.E. program will result in probation for a period of one semester. After the probationary period, if the student's G.P.A. does not reach the minimum 3.3, the student will then relinquish his/her academic letter.

NHS Academic Requirements

In order to qualify for National Honor Society, the student must have completed at least four semesters and must have earned a minimum cumulative 3.5 G.P.A. A student, therefore, has four opportunities to join before he/she graduates—at the end of the

spring semester sophomore year, fall and spring semester during his/her junior year, and fall semester of senior year.

Discipline:

NHS members will be expected to uphold one of the basic parts of the society – “character”. Since all members are well-respected and honorable students; therefore, disciplinary records may be the basis for the dismissal of a member from the NHS. Any member found committing any of the following offenses will be automatically dismissed from the club:

- Offenses (in and out of school): stealing, partaking of drugs
- Offenses (in school only): cheating, smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages, suspensions

Attendance:

NHS members who become truant will be placed on probation. Attendance will be monitored, and if school attendance does not improve, the member will be dismissed.

A dismissed student is allowed to have a hearing in which each case will be reviewed and considered by a committee of teachers, a sponsor, and the president of the organization. This committee will recommend to the principal either to dismiss membership or dismiss the case. A letter will be written to the member’s parents explaining the situation and giving all information concerning the case.

All members are required to participate in 4 hours of school service per semester at the discretion of the administration. A student failing to complete the required number of hours in a semester will be put on probation and the hours will be added to the following semester. A second offense will result in dismissal.

*If a student is on probation at the end of their senior year, they will not be allowed to participate in the end of year honors assembly, nor receive their academic stole for graduation.

Graduation

Graduation Ceremony: Graduation is a special time in a student’s academic journey, and we want all students to be able to experience this once in a lifetime milestone. Participation in the graduation ceremony is a privilege for the individual student and his/her parents/guardians. Therefore, the privilege of graduating with one’s class on the stage/at the stadium on graduation day is governed by the following principles: (1) successful completion of the course of studies, exams, and attendance regulations required by the state of Louisiana, (2) successful completion of the course of studies required by the St. Landry Parish School Board, (3) attendance at all graduation practices held during regular school hours prior to the dismissal of seniors, (4) fulfillment of all financial obligations and (5) certification by the school’s administration as having followed the rules and regulations of the attending school to such a degree that the student has earned the privilege of being an active participant in the graduation ceremony. Graduation is a school function that is subject to each individual school’s rules and regulations. These rules and regulations specifically include those covered in the handbook. However, other egregious breaches of rules and regulations may be considered by the administration before bestowing on the student the privilege of being able to participate in the graduation ceremony. A graduation contract will be issued to all prospective graduates no later than midterm of the graduating year. This contract must be signed by both the parent/guardian and graduating senior agreeing to these principles in addition to those requirements that are set by each individual school. This binding contract will be honored by all parties. Any graduation supplies ordered are the responsibility of the student. Ordering graduation supplies should only be done if the student knows for a fact that he/she will be graduating. Once ordered, students are obligated to pay for all graduation supplies.

Selection of Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Historian

The selection of Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Historian shall be based on the following:

- Must be enrolled in the graduating school no later than Fall of their Junior year
- Must have met the requirements for honors ranking
- Co-valedictorians will be recognized if these students have earned exactly the same grade point average. In the event that a co-valedictorian is recognized, there will be a salutatorian also.
- In the event that no student meets the district criteria for graduating with honors, the top three ranking students shall not be honored with the title of Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Historian.

Louisiana's Tuition opportunity program for students, "TOPS"

To Qualify For TOPS Opportunity Award:

- Minimum TOPS Core Curriculum GPA of 2.50 (GPA computed on TOPS Core Curriculum courses only)
- Completion of the 19.0 Core Units of the TOPS Core Curriculum
- Minimum ACT Composite Score of 20
- TOPS does not accept an ACT Superscore
- Must enroll full time as a first time freshman, by the first semester following the first anniversary of high school graduation
- Be a US citizen or permanent resident
- Meet TOPS Louisiana residency requirements

To Qualify For Performance Award:

- Have a high school GPA of 3.25 (GPA computed on TOPS Core Curriculum courses only)
- Have earned 19 core units*
- Have earned ACT composite of 23

To Qualify For Honors Award:

- Have a high school GPA of 3.50 (GPA computed on TOPS Core Curriculum courses only)
- Have earned 19 core units*
- Have earned ACT composite of 27

*See Guidance Counselor for Core unit description

Other government assistance plans are available. See guidance department for more information.

To Qualify For TOPS Tech Award:

- Minimum TOPS Core Curriculum GPA of 2.50 (GPA computed on TOPS Core Curriculum courses only)
- 21 units that comprise the TOPS Tech JumpStart Core Curriculum
- Students may also qualify for the TOPS Tech Award by completing the 19 units that comprise the TOPS Core Curriculum for the Opportunity, Performance and Honors Awards
- Minimum ACT Score of 17 or the Silver level score on ACT WorkKeys
- Must enroll full time as a first time freshman, by the first semester following the first anniversary of high school graduation
- Be a US citizen or permanent resident
- Meet TOPS Louisiana Residency requirements
- TOPS does not accept an ACT Superscore

TOPS Consent Forms

Act 837 of the 2014 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature requires the governing authority of each school to provide a form to the parent or legal guardian of each student enrolled in grades eight through twelve which explains that the parent has the right to determine whether their child's Personally Identifiable Information (PII) can be released to LOSFA and to the postsecondary education institution(s) to which their child applies. The form must be provided every year, and at least one parent or legal guardian must sign that they either grant consent or deny consent.

Homecoming Court Qualifications

While at Eunice High School, to be eligible for Homecoming Court, girls must be in at least one club and one service organization per year for two years or two service organizations per year for two years. (Clubs and organizations can differ each year.) Must not be financially obligated.

****Beginning with entering 9th graders 2024-2025, to be eligible for Homecoming Court:**

- Must be ACTIVELY involved and in good standing in at least one school sponsored club and service organization or two school sponsored service organizations per year 9th - 11th grade (See list below)(Clubs and organizations can differ each year.)
- Six semester cumulative GPA must be a minimum of 2.5
- Must not receive more than 1 suspension 9th through 11th grade
- Must be an EHS student for at least 3 years
- Students must meet all graduation eligibility requirements, e.g. LEAP, IBCs, etc.
- Must not be financially obligated

***If selected as a Homecoming Court maid, girls must adhere to the following during their senior year:

- Must be ACTIVELY involved and in good standing in at least one school sponsored club and service organization or two school sponsored service organizations
- Must not receive any suspensions; major referrals will be reviewed by administration
- Must not receive more than two detentions
- Must not quit a school sponsored organization

***Failure to maintain these requirements will result in removal from Eunice High School Homecoming Court including, but not limited to, omission from yearbook photographs and acknowledgements.

EHS administration, in collaboration with faculty advisory, has the discretion to remove any nominee due to behavior, academics, attendance etc.

The ten Homecoming Court candidates who receive the most votes from the 10th-12th grade students will serve as Homecoming Court members. The Homecoming Court candidate who receives the most votes will be named Homecoming Queen.

Mr. & Miss EHS Qualifications:

- Must be ACTIVELY involved and in good standing in 2 school sponsored sports and/or clubs 9th - 12th grade year (See list below)
- Seven semester cumulative GPA must be a minimum of 2.5
- Must not receive more than 1 suspension 9th through 11th grade
- Must not receive any suspensions during senior year; major referrals will be reviewed by administration
- Must not receive more than 2 detentions during senior year
- Must be an EHS student for 3 years
- Students must meet all graduation eligibility requirements, e.g. LEAP, IBCs, etc.
- Must not quit a school sponsored organization during senior year

EHS administration, in collaboration with faculty advisory, has the discretion to remove any nominee due to behavior, academics, attendance etc.

The male and female candidate who receives the most votes from the 9th-12th grade students will be named Mr. EHS and Miss EHS.

Hall of Fame Qualifications:

- Seven semester cumulative GPA must be a minimum of 2.5
- Must not receive more than 1 suspension 9th through 11th grade
- Must not receive any suspensions during senior year; major referrals will be reviewed by administration
- Must not receive more than 2 detentions during senior year
- Must be an EHS student for 3 years
- Students must meet all graduation eligibility requirements, e.g. LEAP, IBCs, etc.

- Must not quit a school sponsored organization during senior year

****EHS administration, in collaboration with faculty advisory, has the discretion to remove any nominee due to behavior, academics, attendance etc.****

Classroom teachers who have been at Eunice High for at least one year and administration nominate no more than five boys and five girls from the qualification list. Students who receive two nominations are placed on the voting ballot. Candidates are required to complete a resume to post in the teachers' lounge. If a student is dishonest on their resume or does not complete this requirement, they will be disqualified. Classroom teachers who have been at Eunice High for at least one year and administration vote up to eight students.

The 10 nominees who receive the most votes from classroom teachers and administrators will be selected as Eunice High School's Hall of Fame.

School Sponsored Clubs:

- Future Business Leaders of American (FBLA)
- Student Council
- National Honor Society
- Quiz Bowl
- Future Farmers of America (FFA)

School Sponsored Service Organizations:

- Cheerleader
- Emeralds
- Color Guard
- Greenjackets
- Band (Managers)
- Trainers
- Football (Film Crew)
- Softball and Baseball (Statisticians)
- Girls and Boys Basketball (Statisticians)

Athletics:

- Baseball
- Basketball, boys and girls
- Fishing
- Football
- Softball
- Tennis, boys and girls
- Track, boys and girls
- Volleyball