

EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL SYSTEM

Gifted and Talented Programs



Dear Parents,

East Baton Rouge Parish School System and the Gifted & Talented Programs are beginning the nineteenth year of the Great Scholars Academy during the 2026-2027 school year. This program has a rigorous curriculum for middle and high school students at **Glasgow Middle School, Woodlawn Middle School, Westdale Middle School, McKinley High School** and **Woodlawn High School**.

A student must meet the following admission criteria:

- 84 percentile or higher on district approved intelligence test
- **or**
- National Percentile Rank of 84 or higher (Mastery and/or Advanced) in two subject areas on a recent standardized test in math, reading, science, and/or social studies administered within the last 12 months.
- **and**
- Conform to behavior standards set by the school and the school system.

Gifted and Talented Transportation Policy specifies that students living in the following home attendance zones will attend the designated Great Scholars Academy school site:

Home Attendance Zone	Gifted/Talented School Site
Glasgow Middle School	Glasgow Middle School
Woodlawn Middle School	Woodlawn Middle School
All Other Zones	Westdale Middle School
Woodlawn High School	Woodlawn High School
All Other High School Zones	McKinley High School

Placement at requested school site is contingent upon application and acceptance by the Gifted and Talented Office. The Great Scholars Academy Application should be **completed and returned** to the Gifted and Talented Office with copies of the student's most recent standardized test scores and report card or email the information to gifted@ebrschools.org or fax it to 225-929-8743. The Gifted and Talented Office reserves the right to verify a student's home attendance zone. Parents may contact the Gifted and Talented Office or refer to the Attendance Zone Finder (<https://ebr.edgear.net/DMSZones/>) on the East Baton Rouge Parish School System's website at www.ebrschools.org to locate your home attendance zone according to the student's home residency. For further information, please contact the Gifted and Talented Office at 225-929-8642 or email us at gifted@ebrschools.org.

Sincerely yours,

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Great Scholars Academy Application

School Year: _____

STUDENT'S NAME: _____ Incoming Grade: _____

STUDENT'S CURRENT SCHOOL: _____ ID# _____

STUDENT'S ADDRESS: _____ Zip _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (H) _____ (W) _____ (C) _____

Qualifications and Conditions:

- I understand that my child must score at the 84th percentile or higher in **two** or more subject areas (Total Reading/ELA, Total Mathematics, Total Science, Total Social Studies) on a standardized test administered within the past 12 months.
- I understand that my child's current and future report cards must reflect a 2.5 or higher overall unweighted grade point average, which is the requirement to remain in the Great Scholars Academy.
- I understand my child must conform to behavior standards set by the school and the school system.
- I have attached the most current standardized test results and report card to this application.
- **School placement is determined by the student's home attendance zone.**
- **By signing this application, you understand and agree to adhere to the Conditions stated above.**

Parent's signature

Date

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DATE RECEIVED _____ EBR PERSONNEL SIGNATURE _____

GPA _____ TEST SCORES PROVIDED _____ Eligible: YES / NO (Circle one.)
(Attach a copy of most recent standardized test results and current report card.)

ATTENDANCE ZONE: _____ WAIVING TRANSPORTATION: YES / NO / OTHER _____

SCHOOL ASSIGNED:

- ☐ GLASGOW MIDDLE ☐ WESTDALE MIDDLE ☐ WOODLAWN MIDDLE
☐ MCKINLEY HIGH SCHOOL ☐ WOODLAWN HIGH SCHOOL

SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

☐ APPROVED ☐ DISAPPROVED/REASON: _____