

**LOUISIANA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (LSBA)**  
**LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION of SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS (LASS)**

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The Louisiana School Boards Association (LSBA) and the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents (LASS) assure students, parents, teachers, administrators and communities that local school system leaders will provide for a high quality public education experience when schools open in August, despite ongoing disputes at the state level regarding standards and assessments.

LSBA and LASS have consistently advocated for higher standards for Louisiana's students in order to prepare them for college and career-readiness. Local school districts will continue to provide professional development and appropriate resources for our educators to ensure the highest quality education possible for our students. Further, school districts will continue to work toward enhancing technology integration into all facets of learning so that all Louisiana students are well prepared for the 21<sup>st</sup> century workforce.

With the opening of the 2014-2015 school year quickly approaching, both LSBA and LASS advocate for a prompt resolution to the ongoing disputes at the state level. In the event there is no resolution prior to the opening of school, LSBA and LASS recommend that the 2013-2014 assessment practices remain in place for the 2014-2015 school year to ensure continuity and consistency for all stakeholders.

LSBA and LASS will continue to provide leadership for our communities and strive for the best possible education for our students.

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