## HOW ARE SCHOOL GRADES CALCULATED?

Starting with the 2012-2013 school year, the Louisiana Department of Education has improved the way schools are graded by aligning with higher standards, rewarding the gains schools have already made, and focusing on students below grade level. This means:


OLD SCALE


## NEW CALCULATION

ELEMENTARY (K-6)
100\% Tests
MIDDLE (K-8)
95\% Tests + 5\% High School Credits
Earned by End of Freshman Year
HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)
$25 \%$ ACT Composite + 25\% End of Course + $25 \%$ Graduation Rate $+25 \%$ Quality of Diploma

## COMBINATION SCHOOL

Average of: (K-8 SPS x \# Students)

+ (HS SPS x \# Students)


## WHAT HAS IMPROVED THIS YEAR?


_ "A" schools earn 5 bonus points or grows 5 points from old system. - "B-F" schools earn 10 bonus points or grows 10 points from old system.

* Cannot be in school improvement.

