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Reasons to Choose BASIS Baton Rouge Primary Mid City



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1 WORLD-CLASS, TUITION-FREE EDUCATION

BASIS Charter Schools are dedicated to raising the standards of student learning to the highest international levels.

2 CO-TEACHING MODEL

Students in grades K–3 benefit from our dynamic model which has two teachers in each classroom, which doubles our students' learning levels — and doubles student support.

3 HIGH STANDARDS

Our network has been successful for 23 years because we know that when you set high standards, any student can rise to meet them. Our students typically master material a year ahead of their peers.

4 TOOLS FOR SUCCESS

We guide students toward successful study strategies and help them develop organization, time-management, and problem-solving skills.

5 INTERDISCIPLINARY CONNECTIONS

Our students not only connect material learned in class to the real world, but they also examine relationships among subjects and across disciplines, driving critical thinking and creativity.

6 COMMUNITY

Our welcoming and diverse school communities drive innovation and excellence, as students gain confidence through collaboration, encouragement, and mutual support.

7 ACCLAIMED CURRICULUM

Our STEM-infused liberal arts curriculum leads students to explore new concepts and ideas, from kindergarten through high school. We teach them to love learning as they explore in greater depth and complexity, until achieving subject mastery.

8 EXPERT TEACHERS

BASIS Charter School teachers are bright, passionate subject experts who inspire students with creativity and intellect, supporting and mentoring them as they strive to master complex content in class, and in extracurricular clubs and activities.

9 COMMUNICATION

Our teachers provide accessible and effective support in many ways, including communicating with parents through students' Communication Journals and setting aside time for further assistance.

10 TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

BASIS Charter School students achieve excellent outcomes, and have been doing so since our network was founded in 1998. Our academic program allows them to advance to AP-level courses across all disciplines, and our curriculum is on par with the best school systems worldwide.



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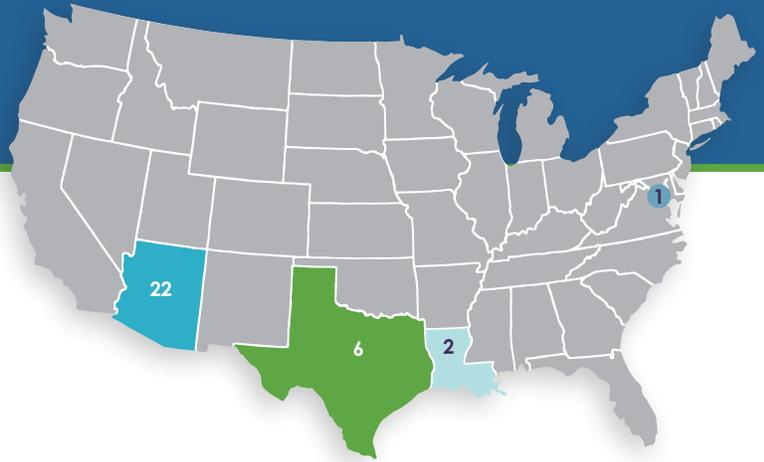


Baton Rouge Primary

Mid City Campus

Grades K–4





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BASIS Charter Schools
across the nation

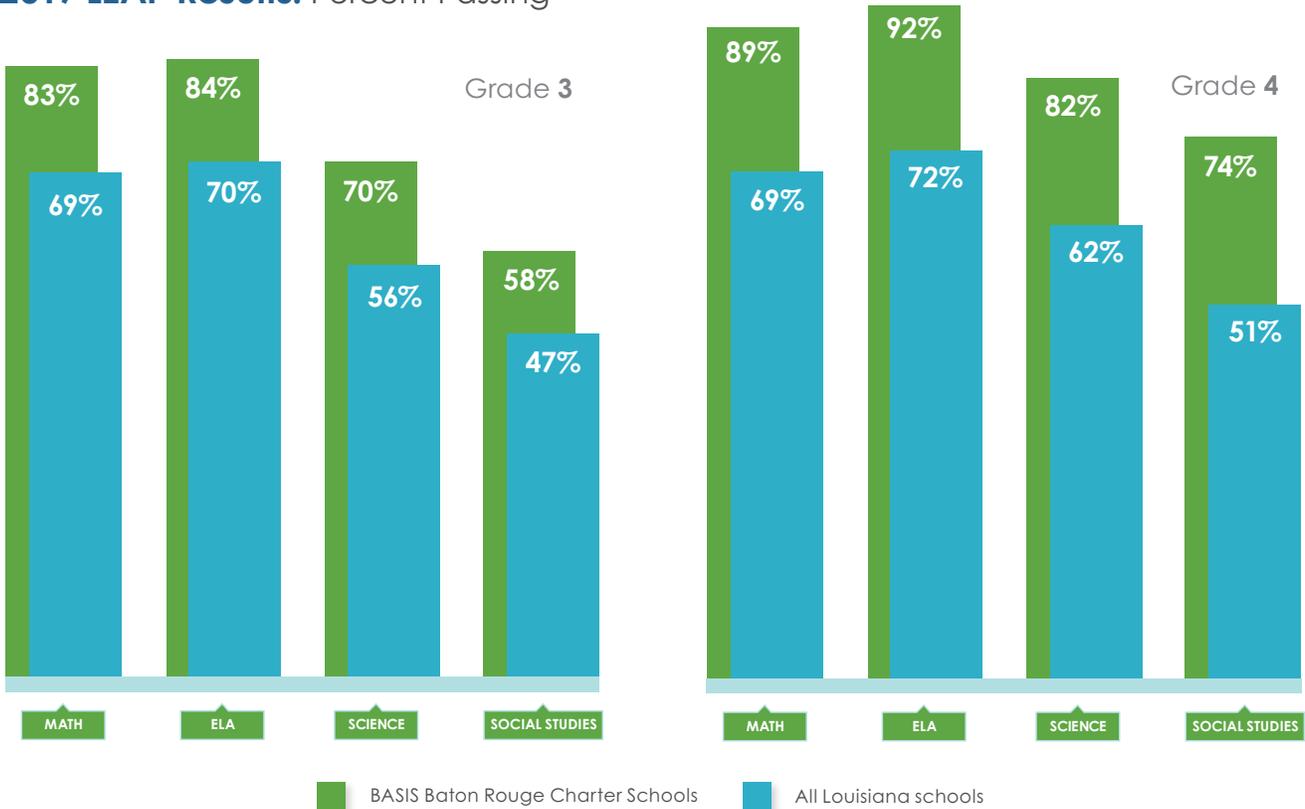
● **Number of BASIS Charter School Graduates** accepted to a *U.S. News & World Report* top ranked National University

National University	BASIS Charter School Graduates Accepted 2018–2020
Brown University	18
California Institute of Technology	11
Columbia University	7
Cornell University	27
Dartmouth College	15
Duke University	42
Georgetown University	5
Harvard University	10
Johns Hopkins University	19
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	18
Northwestern University	27

National University	BASIS Charter School Graduates Accepted 2018–2020
Princeton University	13
Rice University	34
Stanford University	17
University of California, Los Angeles	75
University of Chicago	14
University of Notre Dame	18
University of Pennsylvania	14
Vanderbilt University	40
Washington University (St. Louis)	31
Yale University	22

Source: *U.S. News & World Report* National Universities Ranking, 2020. College acceptance data is self-reported by students. Naviance, 2020.

● **2019 LEAP Results: Percent Passing**



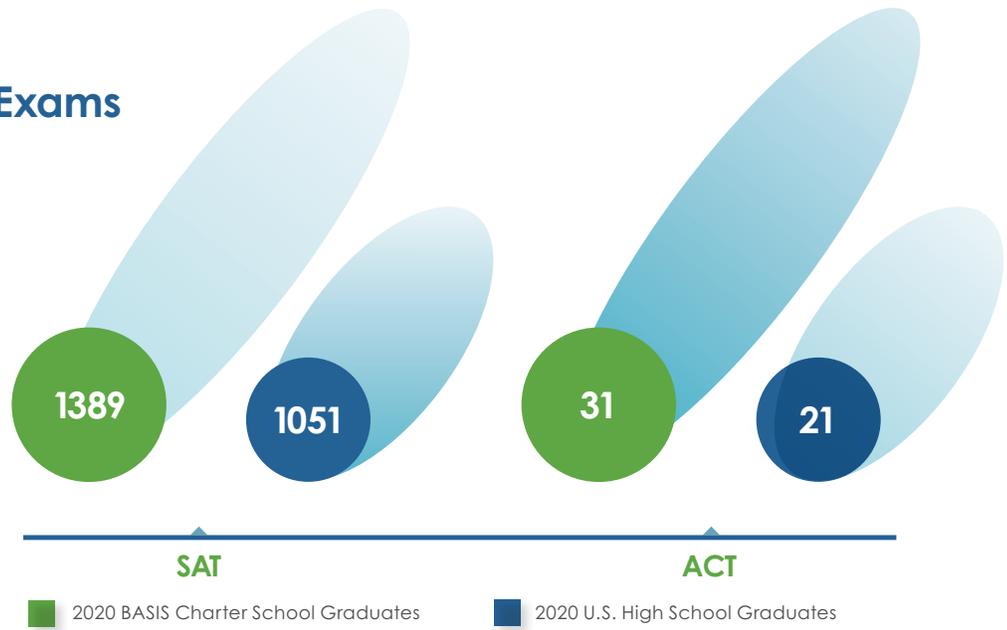
Source: Louisiana Department of Education, 2019 | 2020 results not available due to Covid-19



College Entrance Exams

2020 Average Scores

The ACT® and SAT® exams are used by most colleges and universities when making admissions and merit-based scholarship decisions. The ACT is scored out of 36 points, while the SAT is scored out of 1600 points.

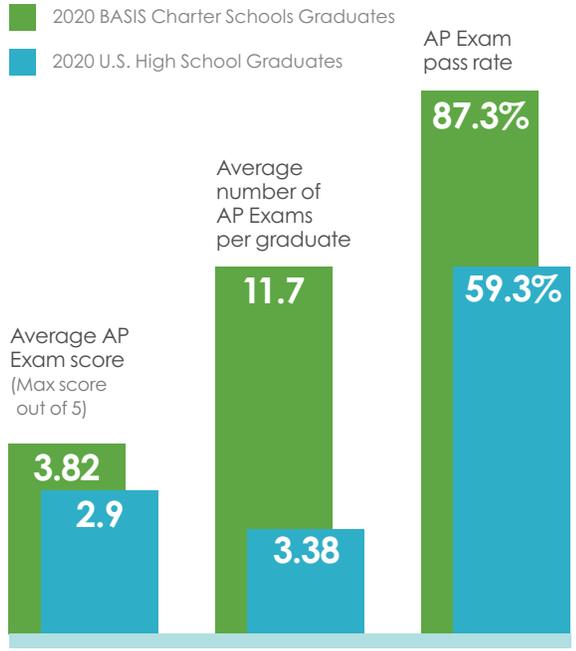


Total number of 2020 BASIS Charter School graduates

707

AP Profile

2020 BASIS Charter School graduates



Source: The College Board, 2020.

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100%

The BASIS Charter Schools class of 2020 had a 100% college acceptance rate

Average scholarship award amount earned by each 2020 BASIS Charter School graduate

\$112,175

\$78,747,119

Amount earned in scholarships by 2020 BASIS Charter School graduates

Scholarship information is self reported in Naviance, 2020.



Curriculum Overview

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KINDERGARTEN

- **Language and Literacy K:** decoding, reading comprehension, and pre-writing skills
- **Civics, History, and Science Foundations:** observation and inquiry into the world
- **Math Foundations:** Saxon Math Grade 1
- **Movement Foundations:** fine and gross motor skills, sportsmanship, and healthy habits

Enrichment Courses:

- **Engineering and Technology Foundations:** investigating, building, and finding solutions
- **Performance Arts Foundations:** acting, voice, movement, and leadership, to support emotional, physical, intellectual, imaginative, and social development
- **Music Foundations:** music games, rhythmic activities, listening, creating, and performing
- **Visual Arts Foundations:** artistic expression and making connections through creative exploration
- **Mandarin:** non-alphabetic language that allows students to expand their understanding of language in general

GRADES 1–3

- **Math and Science:** integrated block that combines instruction in Saxon Math, Earth science, astronomy, basic physics, and basic chemistry
- **Humanities:** integrated block that combines instruction in Language Arts and Social Studies. Topics covered include:
 - Reading fluency and comprehension, handwriting and spelling, grammar structure and mechanics, and vocabulary-building
 - Geography, economics, world history, and U.S. history

Academic Enrichment Courses:

- **Literacy Enrichment:** decoding, spelling skills, and additional vocabulary

- **READ:** 20 minutes of daily, ungraded reading time
- **Connections:** knowledge and skills from multiple classes combined to complete a variety of cross-curricular projects
- **Engineering and Technology:** integrating technology and design concepts with content taught in other courses

Specials:

- **Mandarin:** tonal language that allows students to learn how to attend to both the basic sound of a word and tone in which it is spoken
- **Physical Education:** participate in games and sports, to improve coordination, flexibility, and strength
- **Fine Arts:** bi-weekly courses in Music, Visual Arts, and Performance Arts

GRADE 4

- **English:** continued practice in reading comprehension and analysis; further instruction in structured writing, grammar, and vocabulary building
- **Math:** Arithmetic A: number sense; foundations of arithmetic; fractions, decimals, and percents; introduction to and application of basic geometric concepts; introduction to order of operations and integers
- **Science:** the scientific method, safety, terminology, and foundations of astronomy, biology, chemistry, and physics
- **Engineering and Technology:** integrating technology and design concepts with content taught in other courses
- **Physical Education:** games and sports promoting team-building skills and cooperation
- **Fine Arts:** bi-weekly courses in Music, Visual Arts, and Performance Arts
- **History:** state and local history, civics, geography, primary and secondary sources, and discerning fact from opinion
- **Mandarin:** language and culture, Pinyin (phonetic transcription of Mandarin into the Latin alphabet), and simple Chinese characters

GRADE 5

- **Math:** Arithmetic B: basic fractions, order of operations, positive and negative numbers, and introduction to simple algebraic concepts
- **English:** continued practice in reading comprehension and analysis; further instruction in structured writing, grammar, and vocabulary building
- **Physical Geography:** natural phenomena, geologic time scales, Earth system interactions, and human geography, including population analysis, cultural trade, and political boundaries
- **Science:** introduction to biology, chemistry, physics, and astronomy
- **Classics/History:**
 - **Classics:** ancient cultures and foundations of Western Civilization through text and art
 - **History:** U.S. history from 1565 to the present
- **Latin:** vocabulary, grammar, syntax, and etymology; discover connections to scientific vocabulary
- **Fine Arts:** bi-weekly courses in Music, Visual Arts, and Performance Arts
- **Physical Education:** games and sports promoting team-building skills and cooperation

GRADES 6–12

MATH *(minimum course-level requirements)*

- **Grade 6** Pre-Algebra
- **Grade 7** Algebra 1/Geometry
- **Grade 8** Algebra 2/Geometry
- **Grade 9** Pre-Calculus
- **Grade 10** AP Calculus AB
- **Grade 11** AP Calculus BC
- **Grade 12** Math Capstone

SCIENCE

- **Grades 6–8** Biology, Chemistry, and Physics (all three each year)
- **Grade 9** First Honors Science (Biology, Chemistry, or Physics)
- **Grade 10** Second Honors Science; first AP Science
- **Grade 11** Third Honors Science, second AP Science, or AP Elective
- **Grade 12** Science Capstone

SOCIAL SCIENCES

- **Grade 6** World History I (prehistory to Enlightenment)
- **Grade 7** Modern World History and Texas History
- **Grade 8** Economics and U.S. History
- **Grade 9** AP U.S. Government and Politics
- **Grade 10** AP World History or Modern World History Seminar
- **Grade 11** AP U.S. History or U.S. History Seminar
- **Grade 12** Humanities Capstone

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

- **Grades 6–8** English
- **Grade 7** Logic
- **Grade 9** Honors English Literature; Honors English Language
- **Grade 10** AP English Literature and Composition or AP English Language and Composition
- **Grade 11** Second AP English course or Post-AP English
- **Grade 12** Humanities Capstone

Foreign Language

- **Grade 6** Latin
- **Grade 7** Linguistics
- **Grades 8–11** French, Latin, Mandarin, or Spanish; AP optional
- **Grade 12** Foreign Language Capstone

FINE ARTS, PE, and ELECTIVES

- **Grade 6** PE; Art History & Practice (Music, Art, or Drama)
- **Grade 7** Music, Art, Drama, or PE
- **Grades 8–12** General electives,* AP elective, or Post-AP elective

** Minimum of one Fine Arts and one PE elective required.*

A variety of subjects, including AP courses, are available as electives. Please contact your school to review possible electives for the upcoming school year.

THE SENIOR PROGRAM

While BASIS Charter School students have the option to graduate after grade 11, most choose to complete grade 12 and earn the BASIS Diploma with Honors or High Honors. The Senior Program at BASIS Charter Schools consists of a daily College Counseling Seminar and advanced Capstone courses, which are Post-AP courses designed to simulate a college classroom environment. Students will also complete a Senior Project— an intensive, off-campus research project related to their academic or career goals.

