



# Redesign Schools Louisiana

## Special Board Meeting

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### Date and Time

Tuesday December 5, 2023 at 12:00 PM CST

### Location

Lanier Elementary School

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### Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>12:00 PM</b>
Opening Items			
<b>A.</b> Call the Meeting to Order		Justin Chatelain	
<b>B.</b> Record Attendance and Guests		Justin Chatelain	
<b>II. Items scheduled for action</b>			<b>12:00 PM</b>
<b>A.</b> Motion to approve a material amendment request to change Lanier Elementary, a Redesign School from a Prekindergarten -5th grade configuration to a Prekindergarten-8th grade configuration.	Vote	Justin Chatelain	2 m
<b>B.</b> Motion to approve a material amendment request to change Dalton Elementary, a Redesign School from a Kindergarten -5th grade	Vote	Justin Chatelain	5 m

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
configuration to a Prekindergarten-8th grade configuration.			

**III. Notice** **12:07 PM**

**A. Accommodations** FYI

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY

Pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, any individual with a disability who requires reasonable accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting of the Governing Board may request assistance by contacting:

Redesign Schools Louisiana  
 5959 Cadillac Street  
 Baton Rouge, LA 70811  
 Phone: 225-910-3891

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information concerning this agenda, please contact Redesign Schools Louisiana using the information above.

**IV. Closing Items**

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| <b>A.</b> Next Finance Committee Meeting: January 17, 2024 | FYI  | Justin Chatelain |
| <b>B.</b> Next Regular Board Meeting: January 27, 2024     | FYI  | Justin Chatelain |
| <b>C.</b> Adjourn Meeting                                  | Vote | Justin Chatelain |

## Coversheet

Motion to approve a material amendment request to change Lanier Elementary, a Redesign School from a Prekindergarten -5th grade configuration to a Prekindergarten-8th grade configuration.

**Section:** II. Items scheduled for action  
**Item:** A. Motion to approve a material amendment request to change Lanier Elementary, a Redesign School from a Prekindergarten -5th grade configuration to a Prekindergarten-8th grade configuration.  
**Purpose:** Vote  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Lanier Material Amendment Packet.pdf



# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## MATERIAL AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM FOR BESE-AUTHORIZED CHARTER SCHOOLS

**NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION:** Redesign School Louisiana

**BOARD PRESIDENT/CHAIRPERSON:** Genevieve Pope

**SCHOOL(S) FOR WHICH AMENDMENT IS REQUESTED:** Lanier Elementary, a Redesign School

**CHARTER TYPE:**  Type 2     Type 4     Type 5

**A. Please indicate the type(s) of amendment requested by checking the appropriate box(es) below:**

### MATERIAL AMENDMENTS

A material amendment makes substantive changes to a charter schools governance, operational, or academic structure. If not specifically deemed a non-material amendment in BESE policy or in the charter contract, an amendment is considered material. Material amendments require BESE approval by majority vote unless the school and the content of the amendment meet the requirements listed in Section D of this document.

- Changes in the legal status or management, including the structure of the governing board, a corporate partnership, or assignment of or changes in management organization
- Changes in grade levels served
- Changes in student enrollment which result in enrollment in excess of 120% of the total number of students set forth in the school's charter, if applicable
- Changes in admission procedures or criteria, if applicable
- Changes in any option expressed in the charter contract exhibit with respect to collective bargaining
- Changes in school location for Type 2 charter schools
- Other, (please explain in Section B below)

**B. Please provide a rationale for each of the proposed amendments indicated above, not to exceed one page per amendment. Include any supporting documentation as an attachment.**

Lanier Elementary, a Redesign School is requesting to return back to its original grade configuration, which it was granted from its charter application in 2014, in order to serve grades Prekindergarten -8th grade. As denoted by our LEAP data, academic achievement increases the longer children stay together at the same school throughout their elementary and middle school journey. It is also the desire of families to have their children stay together at the same school throughout their elementary and middle school journey. It is in the best interest of students, parents, and teachers to have Lanier Elementary return back to a PreK-8th grade model.

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**C.** If requesting an amendment to any of the following parts of the charter school contract, please attach an updated version of that document. Templates for each of the following can be found below.

- **Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana Option**
- **Collective Bargaining Option**
- **Enrollment Projection Table** (if increasing enrollment or adding new grades served)

**D.** Please include a copy of the board minutes authorizing the material amendment request.

I certify that I have the authority to submit this Charter Contract Amendment Request Form and that all information contained herein is complete and accurate. I understand that material amendments are not considered approved until the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) or the Louisiana Department of Education (pursuant to Section 1903(E) of *Bulletin 126, Charter Schools*) officially approves this request, and that non-material amendments are considered approved only after BESE expresses no objection within 10 days of receiving the request during an official meeting. I understand that if this request is not received within the timeframe for inclusion on the current month's BESE meeting agenda, it will be added to the agenda of BESE's next regularly scheduled meeting for consideration. I also understand that this document does not constitute an amendment and that a proposed material amendment approved by BESE shall only be binding on the parties to the charter contract in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in an amendment signed by BESE and the charter operator. I understand that the LDOE may request additional documentation during the material amendment request process in order to fully investigate and understand the request.

**Signature of Board President/Chairperson:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Submission Instructions:** Schools must submit the material amendment request form with all required supporting documentation as one submission by email to [charters@la.gov](mailto:charters@la.gov), ensuring that they copy their EPC. Amendments may be submitted at any time, but will be reviewed in a Fall and Spring window in September and February respectively.

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### Lanier Elementary LEAP Data

School Name	Grade Levels	English Language Arts					Mathematics				
		Percent of Students at Each Achievement Level					Percent of Students at Each Achievement Level				
		A	M	B	AB	U	A	M	B	AB	U
LANIER CHARTER SCHOOL	3rd	3	10	10	14	62	≤1	10	31	41	17
LANIER CHARTER SCHOOL	4th	5	24	19	38	14	5	19	29	48	≤1
LANIER CHARTER SCHOOL	5th	4	22	37	26	11	≤1	33	30	30	7

**Lanier Elementary, a Redesign School**Five Year Enrollment Plan

	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027	2027-2028	2028-2029
PreK	40	40	40	40	40
Kinder	60	60	60	60	60
1 <sup>st</sup>	60	60	60	60	60
2 <sup>nd</sup>	60	60	60	60	60
3 <sup>rd</sup>	60	60	60	60	60
4 <sup>th</sup>	60	60	60	60	60
5 <sup>th</sup>	60	60	60	60	60
6 <sup>th</sup>	60	60	60	60	60
7 <sup>th</sup>	60	60	60	60	60
8 <sup>th</sup>	60	60	60	60	60

## Coversheet

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**Section:** II. Items scheduled for action  
**Item:** B. Motion to approve a material amendment request to change Dalton Elementary, a Redesign School from a Kindergarten -5th grade configuration to a Prekindergarten-8th grade configuration.  
**Purpose:** Vote  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Dalton Material Amendment Packet.pdf





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Dalton Elementary, a Redesign School is requesting to return back to its original grade configuration, which it was granted from its charter application in 2014, in order to serve grades Prekindergarten -8th grade. As denoted by our LEAP data, academic achievement increases the longer children stay together at the same school throughout their elementary and middle school journey. It is also the desire of families to have their children stay together at the same school throughout their elementary and middle school journey. It is in the best interest of students, parents, and teachers to have Dalton Elementary return to a PreK-8th grade model.

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		Percent of Students at Each Achievement Level					Percent of Students at Each Achievement Level				
		A	M	B	AB	U	A	M	B	AB	U
DALTON CHARTER SCHOOL	3rd	≤1	14	10	24	52	≤1	5	29	38	29
DALTON CHARTER SCHOOL	4th	≤1	30	27	17	27	≤1	≤1	37	43	20
DALTON CHARTER SCHOOL	5th	≤1	38	21	25	17	≤1	25	33	33	8

**Dalton Elementary, a Redesign School**

Five Year Enrollment Plan

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