



Memorandum

To: East Baton Rouge Parish School System Board
From: LaMont Cole, Superintendent of Schools
Date: June 15, 2026
Re: Northdale Superintendent Academy Relocation

This memorandum is for the consideration of permanently relocating Northdale Superintendent Academy to the former Belfair School Campus site located at 4451 Fairfields Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

This recommendation reflects our commitment to putting Students First and ensuring that all students—particularly those served through alternative education programming—have access to safe, modern, and high-quality learning environments that support their success.

Below are the specifications of the corresponding contract for consideration:

Name of Vendor: N/A
Amount of Contract: N/A
Duration of Contract: N/A
Source of Funding: N/A
Supervisor of Contract: N/A

Rationale:

Northdale Superintendent's Academy currently operates in a facility that has not received substantial recent upgrades. While the staff and leadership have worked diligently to support students in this setting, the limitations of the physical environment present ongoing challenges to delivering the high-quality educational experience our students deserve.

In contrast, the Belfair campus has recently (2022) benefited from approximately \$3 million in renovations and improvements, including enhancements to safety, infrastructure, and instructional spaces. These upgrades have transformed the campus into a secure, modern, and student-centered environment that is well-suited to the needs of secondary learners.

Relocating Northdale to this upgraded facility will immediately provide students with the following:

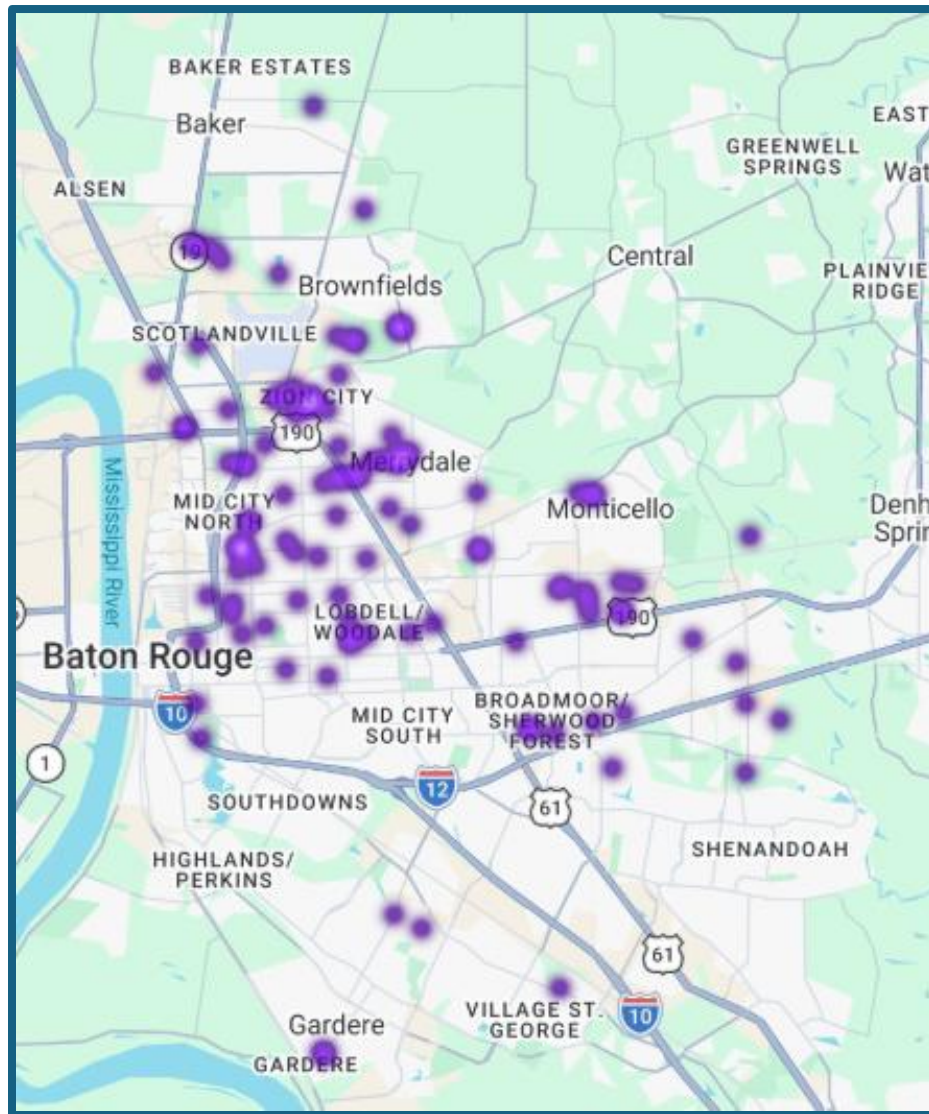
- A safer and more secure campus
- Modernized classrooms and learning spaces
- Improved conditions for student engagement and instruction
- An environment aligned with our district's standards for equity and excellence

Narrative of Services:

Northdale serves approximately 112 students from across the district, the majority of whom are economically disadvantaged and benefit from specialized alternative programming. These students require not only strong academic supports, but also an environment that promotes dignity, stability, and opportunity.

This relocation will directly enhance students' daily experiences and better position them to achieve the following:

- Stay engaged in their educational pathways
- Earn credits toward graduation
- Achieve college and career readiness





Zone School	Sum of Count
Belaire High School	11
Broadmoor Senior High School	10
Capitol High School	20
Glasgow Middle School	1
Glen Oaks Senior High School	19
Istrouma High School	4
Jefferson Terrace Academy	1
McKinley Senior High School	2
Northeast High School	7
Park Forest Middle School	6
Scotlandville Magnet High School	7
Southeast Middle School	4
Tara High School	5
Westdale Middle School	2
Capitol Elementary School	7
Scotlandville Pre-Engineering Academy	6
Total	112

Proposed Goals/Expected Outcomes and Methodology

Expected Outcome(s):

The former Belfair site is to serve as a permanent placement for Northdale Superintendent’s Academy.

Methodology for Measuring Expected Outcome(s) or Proposed Goal(s):

The expected outcome is to provide the alternative school with a safe and functional temporary school environment so that students can graduate on time and become college and/or career ready. Additionally, this proposal aligns with our broader priorities to:

- Provide equitable access to quality facilities across all student populations
- Invest strategically in environments that support improved student outcomes
- Ensure that alternative education programs are resourced to meet the full needs of students