



### **MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR**

Dear Athlos families and students,

As we embark on the last week of our second year, there is a sense of accomplishment and pride. The year ended on a note that none of us could have predicted when the year started. We took on learning on a digital platform. It was both challenging and rewarding as we navigated our way on Zoom and had to think outside the box to keep teaching and learning going.

We figured out how to ask and answer questions on Zoom, figured out how to accommodate ALL students, and celebrated each other without seeing each other in person. We got tech support miles away from each other, taught athletic movement outside our building, fed students in the community, made lessons engaging, kept in touch with families, counseled students remotely, cared for their emotional health, and so many other things...

We have all grown together throughout the year. Our families have all shown **grit** and **energy & zest**, and for that we are grateful! As we look to the next school year, I hope we all have **optimism** for what the year will bring. Get rest this summer and enjoy peace and your families!

THANK YOU all for making Athlos great!

Keisha Rogers

# SPORTS RECOGNITION VIRTUAL CEREMONY

Wednesday, May 20, 5-6 PM

Please join Athlos Academy and the coaching staff for a virtual ceremony to recognize our outstanding athletes this year! Athletes will be recognized based upon performance character traits. Teams being recognized include, flag football, basketball, volleyball, and soccer.

Students should wear their Athlos Sports Team Shirt. Parents may pick up athlete's awards from the school the following day at the designated time frame. If you haven't received the Zoom link via email, please contact Coach Hayden at <a href="mailto:nhayden@athlosip.org">nhayden@athlosip.org</a>.





Join us for a drive-thru celebration to send off all kindergarten students!

## **GREEN LINE: GRIFFIN, FRANCIS, MAYO**

## ORANGE LINE: LAWSON, AMEDEE, REYES

- Families may begin lining up at 10:00 a.m.
- Feel free to decorate your vehicle
- One vehicle per family
- Please remain in your vehicle

- Please follow driveline procedures
- Please no physical contact
- There will be no access to the building
- Certificates will be mailed with report cards



# PANDEMIC-EBT AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS RECEIVING FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE SCHOOL MEALS

#### \$285 PER CHILD MAKES UP FOR COST OF BREAKFAST, LUNCH THEY WOULD HAVE RECEIVED AT SCHOOL

Amid the ongoing public health crisis, Louisiana has been approved for the new Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program. This program will provide extra help buying groceries for the families of the more than 600,000 children who normally receive free and reduced-price meals at school.

Eligible families who complete an online application will be issued a P-EBT debit card by the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to access benefits. The P-EBT card will function like a standard EBT card, and the same guidelines will apply.

Families will receive \$285 in total P-EBT benefits per child. Unused benefits will roll over month to month and must be used within 365 days.

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

As school facilities remain closed, households that meet the following criteria may now be eligible to receive P-EBT benefits to help them buy food for their children:

- √ Families with one or more children in their household
- Children are approved for free and reduced price meals at school

#### P-EBT APPLICATION

Families must complete the online application to receive benefits. Without the requested information, DCFS cannot issue the P-EBT card and provide benefits.

Applicants must provide the full names of the student and parent, date of birth, Social Security number, home address, school and school district.



#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information, families can:

- Consult a list of <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>
- Contact the <u>LAHelpU Call Center</u> at 1-888-524-3578





LOUISIANA P-EBT INFORMATION & APPLICATION

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- 2. Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- 3. Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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