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INTERNATIONAL  
SCHOOL OF LOUISIANA

# ***MISSION STATEMENT***

The mission of the International School of Louisiana (ISL) is to provide a challenging education emphasizing language immersion, international awareness, the celebration of diversity and community responsibility.

## ***HISTORY***

The International School of Louisiana (ISL) has been educating students in New Orleans for 24 years. ISL is a tuition-free public charter school serving Kindergarten through eighth-grade students, offering French and Spanish immersion from Kindergarten through 8th grade and Mandarin Chinese in middle school. Most ISL students leave in 8th grade as trilingual speakers. ISL was chartered before Hurricane Katrina with a focus on cultivating diversity, inclusion, and equity and continues to see a successful and thriving student population today.

## ***DIXON CAMPUS***

(Kindergarten-2nd Grade)

French and Spanish Immersion  
4040 Eagle Street  
New Orleans, LA 70118  
Principal: Rosa Alvarado

Our Dixon Campus is located in the Dixon neighborhood at 4040 Eagle St. New Orleans LA, 70118. It is one block off Airline Hwy., two blocks off the Jefferson/Orleans parish line, and nestled in between Old Metairie and Mid-City. This facility includes two outdoor play areas, outdoor seating areas, a spacious cafeteria and stage on the first floor of the building.

## ***UPTOWN CAMPUS***

(3rd-8th Grade)

French and Spanish Immersion  
1400 Camp Street  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
Principal:  
Laura Adelman-Cannon Ph.D.

Our Uptown Campus is located in the Lower Garden District at 1400 Camp St., New Orleans LA, 70130. Across from Coliseum Square, it is just a short walk away from the artsy neighborhood of Magazine Street and minutes from a streetcar (trolley) ride down St. Charles Avenue. This facility includes an outdoor play area and field, covered outdoor seating areas, a cottage, and a spacious cafeteria and stage.

## ***WESTBANK CAMPUS***

(Kindergarten-5th Grade)

Spanish Immersion  
502 Olivier Street  
New Orleans, LA 70114  
Principal: Brandon Ferguson

Our Westbank Campus is located in the picturesque New Orleans neighborhood of Algiers Point at 502 Olivier St., New Orleans LA, 70114. Nestled in the Historic Algiers Point neighborhood, it is just minutes away from a ferry ride across the river. Our facility includes an outdoor playground and a spacious cafeteria area where our students can enjoy recreational activities.

# ABOUT ISL

## OUR ISL COMMUNITY

Today, the International School of Louisiana (ISL) educates students in Kindergarten through 8th grade across three campuses located at Dixon (K-2), Uptown (3-8), and the Westbank (K-5). Our commitment to diversity is evident in both our teacher and student populations. ISL employs over 200 staff members who come from 33 countries, are fluent in 26 different languages, and work together to educate approximately 1100 students (38% African American, 33% Latinx/Hispanic, 26% White, 2% Asian/Pacific and 1% American Indian).

## LANGUAGE IMMERSION

From their first day of school, ISL students learn core academic subjects in either French or Spanish. They learn a second language naturally through everyday conversation and classroom instruction. Over 75% of students enter ISL at Kindergarten from English-speaking homes and leave the 8th grade as bilingual speakers, sometimes trilingual. ISL offers a full immersion experience in French or Spanish (Kindergarten through 8th grade), as well as Mandarin Chinese in middle school.

## DIVERSITY

At ISL, we celebrate diversity and take community responsibility seriously. It is integral to our mission and a force that drives our work. Approximately six years ago, in addition to our professional developments, ISL started a partnership with Roots ConnectEd. Roots ConnectED is an organization that provides training and professional development opportunities for educators. Our goal is to educate our faculty and staff to continue to create an intentionally integrated and inclusive school community.



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## INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Through this program, which includes professional development in Universal Design for Learning (UDL), Identity Work, and Co-Teaching, as well as other professional development training such as Developing Anti-Bias Communities, and Inclusive Practices, ISL teachers and staff develop tools to encourage deep connection among children despite their differences, and teach students how to honor them. We continue to look for more opportunities to learn and equip our staff with the resources and tools needed to ensure the mission of ISL is executed and honored daily.

### ***OUR ACCOLADES***

- Voted #1 Best Grammar School by Gambit Weekly Readers
- Top rated statewide by the community in Niche report
- Only Louisiana school to be named a “Charter School of the Year” by the Center for Education Reform, the nation’s leading education advocacy organization
- Among the first Louisiana State Certified Immersion Schools
- Only full Spanish language immersion school in the metro area
- Won the COSEBOC Excellence in Education award for the effective elimination of the achievement gap for boys of color
- Honoree of the 2015 Public Education Award for Exemplary Language Immersion Education

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GO-GETTERS***



# ADMISSIONS

ISL takes part in the NOLA Public Schools' Common Application Process (NCAP, formerly known as OneApp). Students from any Louisiana parish can attend ISL.

Apply at: [www.EnrollNolaPS.com](http://www.EnrollNolaPS.com)



## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

For Kindergarten and 1st Grade:  
No experience with French or Spanish is required.

For 2nd - 8th Grade:  
Students must already read, write, speak, and understand French or Spanish. A language assessment is required prior to admission.



## TRANSPORTATION

Your child does not have to live in Orleans Parish to attend ISL. In order to qualify for transportation, students must meet the following criteria:

- Reside in Orleans parish;
- Reside more than (1) mile from the student's campus;
- Agree to read, understand, and abide by the SL Transportation Handbook.

ISL provides Yellow Bus Service for eligible students in grades Kindergarten through 5th, as well as RTA Bus Passes for eligible students in grades 6th through 8th.

If you have questions about transportation please reach out to ISL's Student Transportation Department at [transportation@isl-edu.org](mailto:transportation@isl-edu.org).



## ***DATES TO REMEMBER***

EnrollNOLA PS Application Details (Kindergarten-8th)

Main Round Opens: November 28, 2023

Main Round Closes: January 19, 2024

### **ISL Campus Tours:**

Dixon Campus & Westbank Campus:

Tuesday, September 12 at 9am

Tuesday, October 17 at 9am

Tuesday, January 16 at 9am

Tuesday, March 12 at 9am

### **ISL Open House:**

**Saturday, November 11, 2023**

Dixon Campus and Westbank Campus:

10:00 - 11:00am

Please contact one of our Family Liaisons to RSVP

- **Dixon Campus:**

Ariana Ybarra, 504-648-2763

aybarra@isl-edu.org

- **Uptown Campus:** (*Tours Upon Request*)

Martha Peña, 504-654-1088

mpeña@isl-edu.org

- **Westbank Campus:**

Danielle Hebert, (504) 224-7608

dhebert@isl-edu.org

## ***CONTACTS & RESOURCES***

### **Applications**

To apply: [www.EnrollNOLAPS.com](http://www.EnrollNOLAPS.com)

The NOLA PS Family Resource Centers Help Desk:

<https://nolapublicschools.supportsystem.com/open.php>

Phone: 504-547-6652

### **Admissions and Registration**

Contact ISL Admissions:

- Email: [Admissions@isl-edu.org](mailto:Admissions@isl-edu.org)

- Phone: 504-229-4391

**Para asistencia en Español: 504-229-4391**





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