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***Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS)
Bulletin***

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TOPICS:	TOPS Tech Award Eligible Programs for 2017 Graduates

Act 230 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature provides that 2017 high school graduates will be able to use the TOPS Tech Award to pursue an associate's degree or other shorter-term training and education programs, including skill, occupational, vocational, technical, certificate, and academic, that the Workforce Investment Council (WIC) and the Board of Regents (BOR) determine are aligned to state workforce priorities. The list of eligible programs can be found on page 2 of this bulletin.

If one of the eligible programs on the list attached becomes ineligible in future years, students who are currently in the program will be allowed to complete that program and receive their TOPS Tech Award. No new students would be eligible for TOPS Tech funding after a determination that the program has become ineligible.

All current TOPS Tech eligible programs remain eligible for 2017 high school graduates. Funding for all TOPS awards is contingent upon appropriations.

Questions regarding TOPS Tech can be e-mailed to custserv@la.gov or by calling 1-800-259-5626.

TOPS TECH PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY COUNCIL		
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INCLUSION		
DEGREE	INSTITUTION	DISCIPLINE
AS	BRCC	COMPUTER SCIENCE
	SUSLA	
AS	Delgado	ELECTRICAL-ELECT. ENGINEER TECH.
AS	SLCC	INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY
AS	Nicholls	PETROLEUM SERVICES
		SAFETY TECHNOLOGY
AA	McNeese	PARALEGAL STUDIES
	Nunez	
AA AS	Delgado	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
	BRCC	
	FTCC	
ASCJ	LSUE	
AS	HSC-NO	DENTAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY
AS	FTCC	CARDIOPULMONARY CARE SCIENCE
AS	LSUE	RESPIRATORY CARE
AS	BRCC	SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY
AS	LSUA	RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY
	LSUE	
ASN	BPCC	NURSING
	BRCC	
	Delgado	
	FTCC	
	La Tech	
	LDCC	
	LSUA	
	LSUE	
	NSU	
	SLCC	
	McNeese	
	Sowela	
	SUSLA	
AS	BRCC	BUSINESS
	Delgado	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
	SLCC	BUSINESS
	SUSLA	BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
AS	SUSLA	ACCOUNTING
	Delgado	