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EBR School Board Approves Additional Stipends for EBR Educators and Support Staff

BATON ROUGE, **LA**. — In a unanimous vote Thursday evening, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board approved a one-time, district-funded stipend to match the statefunded stipend for educators and school support staff.

This important action doubles the financial recognition provided to frontline education professionals across the district.

As a result of the board's vote:

- Certified educators will receive a \$2,000 stipend from the district, in addition to the \$2,000 provided by the state.
- Support staff will receive \$1,000 from the district, in addition to \$1,000 from the state.

Stipend payments are scheduled for release on Oct. 28 and Nov. 17, based on feedback gathered directly from employees through a recent districtwide survey.

"This vote is more than a financial commitment, it's a recognition of the incredible work our staff does every day to shape the minds and lives of Baton Rouge's future," said LaMont Cole, superintendent of the East Baton Rouge Parish School System. "We are proud to be doing the hard, necessary work to invest in the people who do some of the most important work in our city."

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This district-funded stipend reflects EBR Schools' continued dedication to improving compensation and providing meaningful support to the educators and support staff who make daily student success possible.

We are also continuously evaluating our financial practices to reimagine how we use our resources, eliminate duplication of services and ensure every dollar is aligned with our highest priorities. Our long-term goal is to provide our teachers and staff with a permanent raise. Until that time, we will remain committed to finding meaningful ways to adequately and consistently compensate our team.

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