

DEVILLIER S.T.E.M. ACADEMY

2023-2024 Enrollment Contract

This contract is hereby entered into between Devillier Educational Center (DEC), LLC and

(parent(s)/legal guardian(s) name) _____

the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) of _____

In consideration of the covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the parties agree as follows:

1. Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) will pay all fees and tuition for the educational services provided by DEC to the student in accordance with the following provisions:
 - a) **Schedule:** The DEC's S.T.E.M. Academy classes meet from Monday through Thursday at the following times:
8am – 12:10pm
 - b) **Tuition:** Annual tuition is FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/100 (\$4950) which can be paid in 11 monthly installments. If paid monthly, tuition in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/100 (\$450) DOLLARS shall be paid to DEC in full by the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) on the 1st day of each month of the term of the contract and a final payment of FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/100 (\$450) shall be paid on June 1st. Failure to pay said tuition by the 11th of the month in which it is due shall result in an additional FORTY AND NO/100 (\$40) DOLLARS added to the tuition as a late charge. If tuition is not paid by the 25th of the month in which it is due, the student shall be expelled from the program. The annual tuition is non-refundable, regardless of whether this contract is terminated by either party or whether the student withdraws from DEC's S.T.E.M. Academy prior to completion of the term, and regardless of whether the student is absent for all or any of the days of a given month. Because resources are allocated on an annual basis and on the basis of the number of enrolled students, the full annual tuition of \$4950 will still be required if a student withdraws or is expelled from the program prior to the end of the term.
 - c) **Fees:** An annual fee of FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE AND NO/100 (\$475) DOLLARS for registration shall be paid by parent(s)/legal guardian(s) upon the execution of this contract, in default of which this contract shall be null and void. This fee is non-refundable, regardless of whether this contract is terminated by DEC or by the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) at any time after its execution, and regardless of whether the student withdraws from DEC's S.T.E.M. Academy at any time after the execution of the contract. A requirement for graduation is that students read all the books on the required-book list and answer the corresponding questions. There are currently six required books, and these books must be purchased by the student. The list of required books can be found under the reading link at www.DevillierEdu.com. For students who graduate from Devillier S.T.E.M. Academy, a \$50 graduation fee will be charged for the production of transcripts, the diploma, and a diploma cover. A \$10 fee will be charged to reprint or email a report card, a copy of transcripts, a copy of a diploma, or a copy of the approval letter from the state (if a copy is on file). A \$25 NSF fee will be charged for any checks that are returned due to nonsufficient funds, and said fee shall be in addition to any applicable late fees.
 - d) **Term:** The term of student's enrollment in Devillier S.T.E.M. Academy shall be from August 14, 2023 through May 16, 2024, or if this contract is executed subsequent to August 14, 2023, then the term shall be from the date that this contract is executed to May 16, 2024.

- e) In the event that DEC sustains any loss of or damage to property owned or leased by it as a result of the actions, conduct and/or fault of the student or the parent(s)/legal guardian(s), the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) shall be responsible for and immediately pay all costs or fees incurred in repairing or replacing the damaged property.
 - f) Failure to pay the monthly tuition and fees set forth hereinabove shall result in the immediate termination of this contract by DEC; however, DEC's choice not to terminate immediately does not negate its ability to do so in the future.
 - g) Should the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) elect to terminate this contract or the student withdraws from DEC's S.T.E.M. Academy prior to or during the term of enrollment, the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) shall provide DEC with written notice of same no less than thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of termination or withdrawal. In such event, parent(s)/legal guardian(s) shall pay the full amount of tuition and fees which would otherwise become due and payable during the term of enrollment of section 1.d.
 - h) **Attendance:** As stated above, no refunds of monthly tuition will be granted for absences. If DEC cancels more than six sessions for the (2023-2024) academic year due to inclement weather, emergencies or other such situations, those missed sessions beyond the first six will be rescheduled.
2. **Supplies:** All students are required to bring paper, pencils, books (used in class), a calculator (if calculator is allowed by teacher), and a laptop to class. A list of specific supplies will be distributed prior to the start of class.
 3. **Group Sessions:** All sessions are group sessions.
 4. Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) agree and understand that DEC is not a private or public school. Rather, DEC is a privately-operated facility providing educational services to individual students who are recognized as homeschooled by the state of Louisiana. All fees and tuition paid pursuant to this contract are for such educational services only. Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) understand that it is the obligation of the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) to file the appropriate documents each year with the state of Louisiana in order to designate their child as a homeschooled student. Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) understand that DEC is not responsible for filing these documents with the state of Louisiana. Furthermore, parent(s)/legal guardian(s) agree to supply DEC with proof that their child is recognized as a homeschooled student by the state of Louisiana. Failure to supply said proof shall constitute a breach of contract and be cause for termination of enrollment.
 5. DEC is under no obligation to create and furnish transcripts, report cards, proof of homeschool registration, or other documentation of the student's work and progress in DEC's S.T.E.M. Academy. DEC may, however, in its sole discretion, do so upon request, but in no event will such transcripts, report cards, or documents be created or furnished if any fees or tuition under this contract is due and outstanding. Furthermore, if DEC does elect to produce such documents, it will do so only after assessing a fee for the production of said documents.
 6. DEC reserves the right to terminate this contract and/or dismiss the student from its S.T.E.M. Academy if, at any time, DEC determines, in its sole discretion, that the conduct or cooperation of the student or parent(s)/legal guardian(s) is not in keeping with the Rules and Regulations of DEC. Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) acknowledge that they have received a copy of DEC's Rules and Regulations which was attached to this contract and is also available on DEC's website at www.DevillierEdu.com.
 7. Insofar as the student is concerned, DEC does not guarantee or warrant the success or effectiveness of its S.T.E.M. Academy. The parent(s)/legal guardian(s) agree and understand that such success and effectiveness is dependent primarily upon the cooperation and efforts of the student.
 8. The parent(s)/legal guardian(s) agree that DEC is not the guardian or custodian of the student. The parent(s)/legal guardian(s) agree to protect, indemnify, defend and hold DEC harmless from any damages, claims, actions or causes of action occasioned through the actions or fault of the student.
 9. Should either party to this contract fail to fulfill or breach the terms and obligations of this contract, the party aggrieved thereby shall have the right to initiate legal proceedings to enforce the terms of the contract. Venue for such legal proceedings shall be the 27th Judicial District Court in and for St. Landry Parish, Louisiana. In the event of such legal proceedings, the prevailing party shall be entitled to the recovery of reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in connection with said legal proceedings.

10. The parties hereto agree that the terms of this contract shall be construed in accordance with Louisiana law. In addition, they agree that the terms of this contract shall not be viewed or construed more favorably to the party who did not prepare the contract.

We, the parent(s)/legal guardian(s), agree that we have read the contents of this contract carefully and fully understand the contents thereof. We also acknowledge receipt of the entire contract which includes ten (10) sections, a calendar of holidays, a Rules and Regulations page, and a Home School Registration page.

PRINT NAME: _____ PRINT NAME _____
(parent or guardian) (parent or guardian)

SIGNED: _____ SIGNED: _____
(parent or guardian) (date) (parent or guardian) (date)

SIGNED: _____
(Dr. Chris G. Devillier) (date)

Personal Information

Student's Name _____ Previous School _____

Grade Level _____ Date of Birth _____ Student's Cell# _____

Parent's Name _____ Cell# _____

Parent's Name _____ Cell# _____

Address _____

Physical Address (if different than above) _____

Email _____
(if no email please put your cell# and cell phone service provider so that emails can be sent through text)

Parent's Occupational Title _____

Parent's Place of Employment _____

Emergency Contact _____

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**DEVILLIER S.T.E.M. ACADEMY
CALENDAR 2023-2024**

First Day of Class.....August 14, 2023

Holidays (no classes will be held on these days):
 Labor Day..... Monday, Sept. 4, 2023
 Report card / parent-teacher conf..... Oct. 19, 2023
 ThanksgivingNovember 20 - 24, 2023
 Christmas..... Dec. 25 - Jan 5, 2024
 Martin Luther King.....Monday, January 15, 2024
 Mardi Gras/Winter Break.....Feb. 12 – 16, 2024
 Easter.....Mar 29 – Apr 6, 2024

Last Day of Class.....May 16, 2024

NOTE: The holiday schedule is tentative.

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Rules and Regulations

The general guiding principles are that students and parent(s)/legal guardian(s) should remain orderly, should avoid the endangerment of all others, and should be respectful to all others while on campus. The majority of the following rules and regulations are merely specific examples of these guiding principles. The following list is not intended to be exhaustive, and Devillier Educational Center (DEC) reserves the right to apply the general principles without having to cite a specifically listed example.

While the following are not explicitly prohibited, each faculty member or staff member has the authority to limit or prohibit such activities on a classroom basis or an individual basis.

- Eating and drinking in class,
- Chewing gum on campus,
- Listening to music via an ipod or similar electronic device,
- Using cell phones, ipods, electronic tablets, and laptops.

This policy is designed to promote responsibility; therefore, an individual's privileges may be curtailed without affecting the privileges of other students.

Student requirements:

Student shall complete homework assignments, shall bring those completed assignments to class when due, and shall bring paper, required books, and a writing utensil to class.

The following are prohibited on campus:

- Use of tobacco products and vaping products,
- Reckless driving in the parking lot,
- Possession or use of alcohol or any illegal drug,
- Presence on campus while under the influence of alcohol or an illegal drug,
- Fighting, stealing, lying, cursing, harassment of students, parents, faculty members, or staff,
- Use of profane, sexist, or racist language.

Failure to abide by the above shall result in detention or expulsion of the student as determined by DEC's faculty or administration.

Detention Policy

Detention will be held on Friday mornings and will be for a one or two hour duration at the discretion of a DEC faculty or staff member. The charge for detention will be \$25 per hour. A detention slip will be issued at the discretion of the student's teacher or another member of DEC's faculty or staff. Failure to attend detention does not waive the detention fee for the scheduled detention and merits double the detention hours or expulsion. Tardiness will be treated as a failure to attend.



Home-school Registration

According to Louisiana law there are at least two ways in which to home-school your children: 1. Through the Approved Home Study Program, and 2. Through the creation of a private school.

Of the students who have recently enrolled in college, enrolled in a trade-school, or transferred back to a regular high-school from Devillier Educational Center's home-school program, the transition has been easier for those who were enrolled in the Approved Home Study Program. To qualify for T.O.P.S. a home-school student must have completed at least 11th and 12th grade in the Approved Home Study Program mentioned above. A new Louisiana law now requires home-school students to provide home-school documentation to the DMV when they apply for a driver's permit. This documentation is easier to supply if the student is enrolled in the Approved Home Study Program.

How a student is registered for home-school is a parental choice; however, Devillier Educational Center requires a copy of the official documentation of that choice. If, for instance, a student is registered through the Approved Home Study Program, a copy (not the original) of the approval letter that is sent to the parent by the state is to be submitted to Dr. Devillier. Devillier Educational Center will keep this documentation on file indefinitely. While Devillier Educational Center does not guarantee that it will provide a copy of this document when requested, if a copy is provided, a \$10 fee will be required. Therefore, it is recommended that each student also keeps a copy of this document indefinitely.

If you have not yet filed with the state, a link to the form is provided on the enrollment contract page at www.DevillierEdu.com. The Louisiana Department of Education recently implemented an online application process, and a link to that application is also provided on the enrollment contract page at www.DevillierEdu.com. The approval of your application is good for one year. If your child was approved approximately one year ago, you will need to provide documentation of your child's progress in order for your child's approval to be renewed. In the past, any standardized test, such as the A.C.T., has been sufficient. You are also allowed to submit a sample of your child's work as proof of progress.

If your child intends to graduate this year and you have not yet filed, please contact Dr. Devillier before you submit your paperwork to the state.

Please sign on the line below, make a copy of this letter, and return the copy or the original to Dr. Devillier.

Student's Name Printed

Parent's Name Printed

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date