



# 2024 Louisiana Educators Rising State Conference



## What to Know Before You Go

**Date of Conference:** Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Check-in Begins:** 7:30 am

**Conference Times:** 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

**Location:** University of Louisiana Monroe campus, Monroe, LA

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### **BUS PARKING**

Buses should park in the designated parking lots north of Fant-Ewing Coliseum and, as an overflow option, in the football/track parking lot northeast of the Coliseum [see the attached campus map with parking lots and buildings identified].

From there, conference participants can walk straight south down Warhawk Way to Bayou Pointe where they can check in for the conference and participate in the Opening Session at 8:30 am.

### **GENERAL PARKING**

For those participants arriving at the conference in cars, please park in the designated lots between Bayou Pointe and Fant-Ewing Coliseum, just off Warhawk Way [see the attached campus map with parking lots and buildings identified]. Make sure to print and then place the attached parking pass on your car dashboard as explained in the instructions. If you get to campus and have forgotten your parking pass, you may pick up an extra one at the event check-in area.

### **WEATHER**

Please keep an eye on the weather. If it looks like rain, please bring an umbrella as all activities will carry on and there may be walking required from location to location.

### **WHAT TO WEAR**

Attire for the conference is business casual or school gear with Educators Rising gear recommended. Be comfortable and make sure to wear your favorite sneakers – this conference falls on Leap Day, so we are celebrating this special day with some flair. We've even created a Leap Day hashtag (#leapdaylearning) for the conference. We encourage participants to take fun pictures at the conference in your favorite sneakers. Participants can post their pictures on Instagram using our hashtag, tagging @educatorsrisingum, and whoever gets the most likes will win a fun prize!

*NOTE: Competitors should follow competition guidelines for attire, but no deductions will be taken for students wearing sneakers.*

## CHECK-IN

Check-in will start at 7:30am at Bayou Pointe [see attached map]. Most participants will be checked in by school group. If you are attending the conference with a school group, please send **one** representative from your school to the Group Registration table to check in. If you are not registered as a group, please check in at the Individual Registration table.

At check-in, you or your group representative will receive bags for each participant filled with fun and informative merchandise, including a personalized conference badge, lunch tickets, a full conference program, and a conference t-shirt.

Check-in will be available at Bayou Pointe until 10am. If you arrive on campus after 10am, please go to the School of Education office in Walker Hall, Room 2-37 to check in.

## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

We are pleased to have an exciting line-up of speakers, breakout sessions, and competitions. You may want to familiarize yourself with the schedule prior to arriving at the conference to decide which of the incredible sessions you don't want to miss! Some sessions may fill up, so plan for a back-up session – FYI, Sandel 238, Walker 1-102 and Walker 2-105 all have over 100 seats, so if you are looking for a back-up session with room, try one of those.

You can scan the QR Code at the end of this document or go to <https://ulm.edu/edulead/> to digitally view the conference program in its entirety and make plans to maximize your conference experience.

## LUNCH ACTIVITIES

Lunch will be served in rotations between 11:15am and 1:15pm, depending on which color group you are assigned to. Your color group will be featured prominently on your conference badge. There will be pizza, salad, chips, cookies, and drinks (Coca-Cola products and water). Vegan and Gluten-Free options are available. Each participant will have 4 lunch tickets in their conference bag. You will use one ticket per lunch item (a drink will require a ticket).

Lunch Rotation Schedule:

11:15 - 11:55	SUB Rooms C and E	<i>Gold Group</i> - Exhibitor Browse/Poster Session
	SUB Corridor	<i>White Group</i> - Campus Tour/Social Media Session
	SUB Ballroom A, B, D	<i>Maroon Group</i> - Lunch <i>Blue Group</i> - eat at any lunch period
11:55 - 12:35	SUB Rooms C and E	<i>Maroon Group</i> - Exhibitor Browse/Poster Session
	SUB Corridor	<i>Gold Group</i> - Campus Tour/Social Media Session
	SUB Ballroom A, B, D	<i>White Group</i> - Lunch <i>Blue Group</i> - eats at any lunch period
12:35 - 1:15	SUB Rooms C and E	<i>White Group</i> - Exhibitor Browse/ Poster Session
	SUB Corridor	<i>Maroon Group</i> - Campus Tour/ Social Media Session
	SUB Ballroom A, B, D	<i>Gold Group</i> - Lunch <i>Blue Group</i> - eats at any lunch period

## FUN STUFF

During lunch rotations, make sure to take advantage of the 360 Photo Booth (with social media links) and Selfie Station to create lasting memories of this exciting conference!

Also, as students spend their day discovering their potential legacy as a future educator, they can take some time to thank a teacher who has taken a leap of faith and left a positive legacy in their lives, their school, or their community. We encourage you to stop by the social media campaign booth to share your stories by recording words of thanks or writing a message to thank this teacher. These stories will be captured by the Sterlington High School Multimedia team and shared on social media following the state conference.

## WI-FI

Should you need Wi-Fi access while at ULM, please use the following:

SSID: ULMGuest

This network requires that you register with a valid email address and password to use. This access is only good for one day, and will only allow http and https connections.

Scan below or go to [www.ulm.edu/edulead](http://www.ulm.edu/edulead) for digital version of full conference program:



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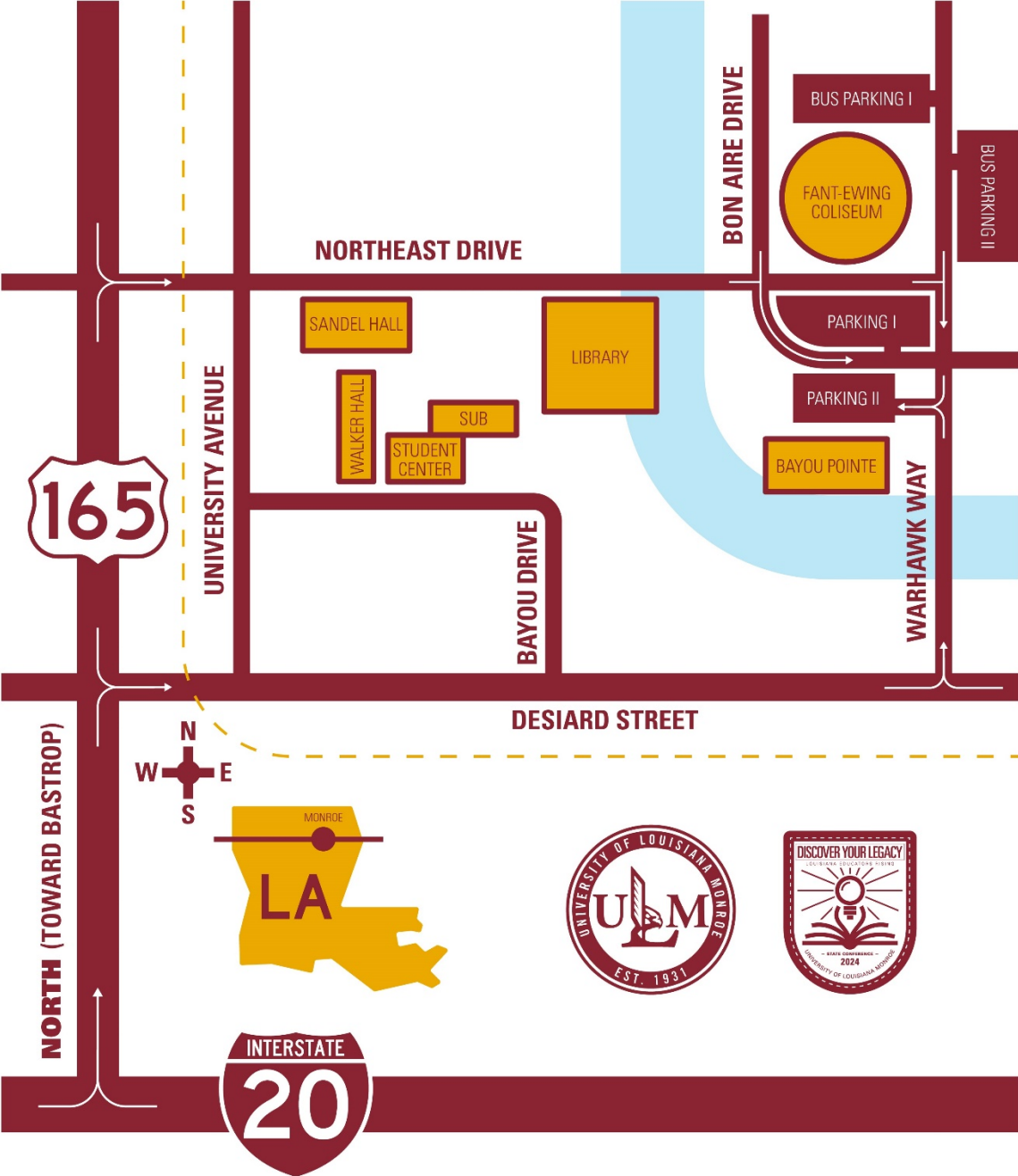
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# Campus Map



# Parking Pass

## DIRECTIONS AND PARKING

Monroe is located along Interstate 20 (I-20) which runs east and west through north Louisiana.

### FROM I-20

1. ULM is north of I-20. To get to ULM from I-20, take the Bastrop exit (Exit 118) and travel north on US HWY 165.
2. From US HWY 165 take the DeSiard Street exit, turning right onto DeSiard Street.
3. Once on DeSiard, turn left at the 2nd stoplight (Bayou Drive.)
4. ULM's Student Union Building is located about 1/2 block on your left.
5. ULM's Library is located at the end of Bayou Drive on your right.

### FROM US HWY 165

1. From US HWY 165, turn east onto DeSiard Street.
2. Once on DeSiard, turn left at the 2nd stoplight (Bayou Drive.)
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Use your smart device to scan this QR code to get GPS coordinates to ULM's Student Union Building - or - enter these coordinates into your  
GPS: 32° 31' 39.73" N 92° 4' 24.37" W

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