

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

BATON ROUGE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. EWE 94- 27

- WHEREAS,** the Goals 2000: Educate America Act provides incentives for states, school districts, and local schools to develop and implement comprehensive school improvement plans; and
- WHEREAS,** every student in Louisiana must have equal access to an education that promotes educational excellence; and
- WHEREAS,** educators, students, parents, and the greater community must assume leadership when developing/implementing school improvement plans in order for lasting improvements to occur within local schools; and
- WHEREAS,** simultaneous top-down and bottom-up education reform must occur in order for school reform to be effective; and
- WHEREAS,** Federal, State and local initiatives must be unified to improve education in Louisiana; and
- WHEREAS,** technology must be integrated into all aspects of the educational process; and
- WHEREAS,** Louisiana is in need of a vision and action plan for education that builds upon existing and future school reform initiatives; and
- WHEREAS,** committed citizens in Louisiana are already involved in broad-based partnerships to improve education in local communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I EDWIN W. EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the state constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby establish a Louisiana Goals 2000 Commission, which shall be domiciled in the Governor's Office.

- SECTION 1:** The Louisiana Goals 2000 Commission shall:
- A. Engage a broad spectrum of Louisianians in the development of a State Improvement Plan and Technology Plan which:
 - 1. Creates a vision for education in Louisiana.
 - 2. Delineates specific strategies, action steps, and timelines to bring Louisiana's vision of education to reality.
 - B. Make recommendations to the Governor, State Superintendent, and appropriate constituted bodies regarding governance and policy issues that will facilitate school reform efforts in Louisiana.

SECTION 2:

The Goals 2000 Commission shall consist of not less than twenty (20) members who represent the following categories:

- Governor
- State Superintendent of Schools
- Representatives of:
 - State Board of Education
 - State Legislature
 - Teachers
 - Principals
 - School Administrators
 - Higher Education
 - Teacher Organizations
 - Parents
 - Secondary School Students
 - Business and Labor
 - Community Based Organizations
 - Local Boards of Education
 - Local/State Officials responsible for Health, Social and other related services
- Non-public Schools
- Experts in educational measurement and assessment

SECTION 3: The Governor and State Superintendent may replace individuals on the commission in the event that vacancies occur.

SECTION 4: Staff support shall be provided by the Louisiana Department of Education, as well as the Governor's office.

SECTION 5: The provisions of this Executive Order are effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, or rescinded by operation of law.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of August, 1994.

Edwin Edwards
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR

Joseph S. Keithen
SECRETARY OF STATE