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### **Parish and school officials cut ribbon on new carpool lane**

Ascension Parish President Clint Cointment and School Superintendent David Alexander were joined by several Council and School Board members, as well as parish and school personnel, as they cut a ribbon to officially open an extended carpool lane at Galvez Primary School.

“This carpool lane may seem like a small thing, but I see it as the beginning of a new openness, a new spirit of cooperation,” said Cointment, “where all Parish agencies join forces to make Ascension Parish a better place to be.”

The carpool lane was built as a joint endeavor between the two agencies that solved two problems – it relieves traffic congestion on Henderson Bayou Road and provides a safe place for parents to pick up their children from school. Previously, cars would back up on to Henderson Bayou Road every day at the end of school, in some cases blocking the road and creating unsafe conditions.

Using a cooperative endeavor agreement adopted by the Council and the School Board, the school provided the land and all materials, while the parish used its equipment and manpower to build the 500 foot extension.

“We are grateful for this partnership with Ascension Parish that enhances our parent drop off and pick up lines at Galvez Primary,” said Superintendent David Alexander. “When our local government and school system support each other, the entire community benefits.”

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Pictured from left: Supervisor of Planning and Construction Jeff Parent, Chief Operational Director Chad Lynch, Instructional Supervisor Patricia Signorelli, Director of Primary Schools Elizabeth Stafford, Assistant Superintendent A. Denise Graves, School Board Member Louis Lambert, Parish Council Member Dempsey Lambert, Parish Council Member John Cagnolatti, Galvez Primary Principal Toni Hardy, School Board President Taft Kleinpeter, Superintendent David Alexander, Parish President Clint Cointment, School Board Member John DeFrances, Parish Chief Engineer Joey Tureau, and Jerret Baurer with All South Consulting Engineers.