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# **Community Network Lead Agency Office Hours**



# Agenda



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The Community Network Lead Agency (CNLA) Office Hours webinar provides CNLA administrators with information, updates, and reminders related to current LDOE Early Childhood Care and Education initiatives and events.

- Featured Topics: Performance Profiles and Super App
- Early Childhood Reminders
- **Upcoming Events and Deadlines**



# **Featured Topic**

2024-2025 Performance Profiles



### 2024-2025 Performance Profiles

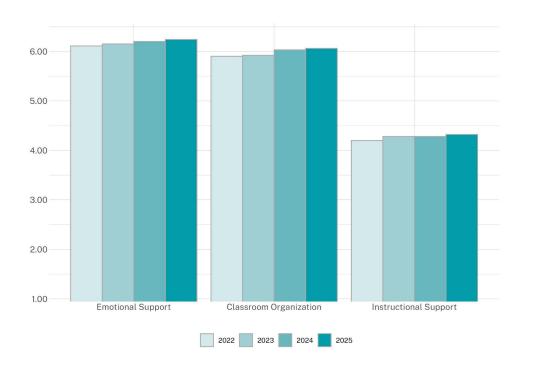
Last month, the LDOE released the <u>2024-2025 Performance Scores</u> for more than 1,800 early learning sites.

The Early Childhood Performance Profile Ratings show continued improvement from previous years, with more than 95% of sites earning a rating of Proficient or higher and nearly 73% of sites rated High Proficient or Excellent.

Performance Profiles will be available on Louisiana School and Center Finder by January 2026.

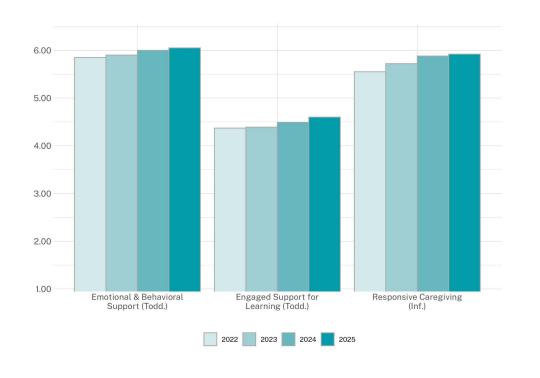


### Performance Profiles - Pre-K Performance



- Continued improvements across all domains
- Overall increase of 0.07 statewide
- Steady growth in Emotional Support and Classroom Organization

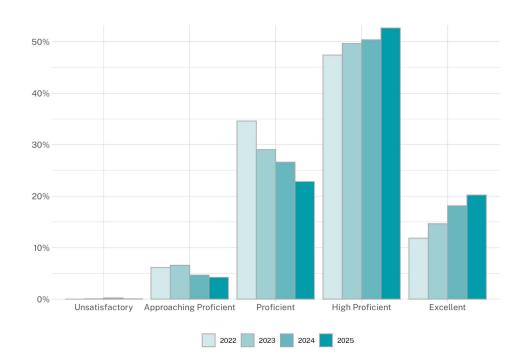
### Performance Profiles-Tod./Inf. Performance



- Continued improvements across all domains
- **Engaged Support for** Learning increased to an all time high score of 4.60
- All domains meet the standard for high-quality for the first time ever



## **Performance Profiles-Overall**



More than 95% of early childhood sites are rated Proficient or higher, with nearly 96% of community networks rated as High Proficient or Excellent.



# **Featured Topic**

2026-2027 Super App



The ECCE Team utilizes Super App, due January 23, 2026, for the following purposes:

- To obtain information from Lead Education Agencies (LEAs) about EC strategies in their communities
- For Network Blueprint submissions from those Early Childhood Community Networks that are also LEAs
  - Networks who are not LEAs are required to submit these items via e-mail to earlychildhood@la.gov.
- For Coordinated Funding Request (CFR) submission from those Early Childhood Community Networks that are also LEAs
  - Networks who are not LEAs are required to submit this item via e-mail to accountability@la.gov.

#### **EC Strategy Information**

As part of Super App, LEAs are required to provide the following information:

- Strategies the LEA will use to maximize access for birth through three-year-old children within the community network
- Steps the LEA will take to identify early and accurately children ages three to five who have disabilities
- The screener the LEA uses to screen children ages three to five (if applicable)
- How the LEA will work with the Early Childhood Lead Agency and community partners to screen children ages birth through two for disabilities

#### **Early Childhood Community/Ready Start Network Blueprint**

As part of Super App, LEAs are required to upload a copy of the network's blueprint with an analysis of current state, including the following:

- Updated data points used to facilitate network decision-making
- Vision statement
- Mission statement
- Goals, with accompanying strategies, resources, and performance outcomes

A network blueprint analysis provides support in making informed decisions about the local early care and education landscape by recognizing progress made, sharing feedback with stakeholders, and identifying opportunities for growth.



Early Childhood Community/Ready Start Network Blueprint Questions?

E-mail <a href="mailto:earlychildhood@la.gov">earlychildhood@la.gov</a>.



#### **Coordinated Funding Request**

Each Early Childhood Community Network Lead Agency is required to submit to the LDOE a <u>Coordinated Funding Request (CFR)</u> annually. The 2026-2027 CFR provides CNLAs an opportunity to request funding for LA 4 and NSECD seats.

- CNLAs are required to provide opportunities for each publicly funded program in the network to participate in the development of, and comment on, the proposed CFR.
- The deadline for submitting the CFR is Friday, January 23, 2026.



# **Early Childhood Reminders**



### 2026-2027 Coordinated Enrollment Plan Submission

#### November marked the start of the Coordinated Enrollment planning and submission window.

- Community Network Lead Agencies should begin the process of completing their Coordinated Enrollment Plans for the 2026-2027 academic year.
- Networks should engage all program partners (providers, community stakeholders, and families) to complete the Coordinated Enrollment Plan in full, so that the LDOE may understand and evaluate the effectiveness of child enrollment across Louisiana.
- The 2026–2027 Coordinated Enrollment Plan template was emailed to all CNLAs in early November for planning purposes only. Please transfer the content from your completed template and saved attachments into the Jotform, which opens today.
- For further information or technical assistance regarding the Coordinated Enrollment Plan, please contact <a href="mailto:earlychildhood@la.gov">earlychildhood@la.gov</a>.

## **Coordinated Enrollment Timeline**

### Coordinated Enrollment Plans Due: January 15, 2026 via <u>Jotform</u>

#### **Early November**

Released Coordinated **Enrollment Plan** Template

#### November -December

Networks collaborate with program partners on Coordinated Enrollment

#### **January 15**

Coordinated Enrollment Plans due via **Jotform** 

#### January - March

CNLA Support the field before and at the beginning of the enrollment season

Coordinated Enrollment Jotform released to the public on 12/9/2025 during CNLA Office Hours.



# The 2027 Early Childhood Teacher and Leader of the Year Application Portal is Now Open!

The search is now on for next year's Early Childhood Teacher and Leader of the Year honorees:

- The <u>application portal</u> is open until January 14, 2026, at 11:59 p.m.
- Anyone who is eligible for the award can apply, not only those who were nominated.
  - Eligible applicants must be a Teacher or a Leader in a Type III child care center,
     a CCAP-certified FCC site, or a Head Start or Early Head Start program.

To learn more about the current and previous Early Childhood Teacher and Leader of the Year honorees, visit the <u>Awards Resources library</u>.





# Early Childhood Teacher and Leader of the Year Informational Overview/Help Desk Webinars

Early Childhood Teacher and Leader of the Year Application Support/Office Hours Calls for Candidates:

Webinar Date and Time: December 18 at 10 a.m.

Webinar Phone Number: 346-248-7799

Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/4418921159?omn=92008292670

Meeting ID#: 441 892 1159

Webinar Date and Time: December 18 at 4 p.m.

Webinar Phone Number: 346-248-7799

Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/4418921159?omn=92008292670

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# **Third-Party Observation Appeals**

To ensure <u>appeals</u> are submitted within the semester in which the observation occurred, the following timeline will be implemented:

- **Fall Appeals** must be submitted between <u>August 1 and 11:59 p.m. on January 15</u> of the academic year in which the observation occurred.
- **Spring Appeals** must be submitted between <u>January 1 and 11:59 p.m. on June 15</u> of the academic year in which the observation occurred.
  - CNLAs are strongly encouraged to <u>submit appeals within 30 days</u> of the contested observation to allow for a thorough review of the appeal.

Please review the <u>Early Childhood CLASS® Observation Error Correction and Appeal Guidelines</u> to assist in determining whether an observation should be appealed.

# **CNLA Office Hours: Network Spotlight**

We want to hear from you! The Office of Early Childhood Care and Education invites Community Network Lead Agencies to participate in a "Network Spotlight" during Monthly CNLA Office Hours Webinars.

- This is an opportunity to share your work around <u>quality processes</u> within early childhood key endeavors. Present your innovative projects, data-driven insights, and best practices to colleagues statewide.
- To present during the January CNLA Office Hours or future CNLA Office Hours, please submit a request to <u>Caitlyn.Robinson@la.gov</u>. Include a two-to three-slide presentation highlighting your work and the quality process that this work aligns with. Presentations are limited to 10 minutes.

We look forward to your submissions and continued collaboration!

# **Upcoming Events and Deadlines**



## **2026 Teacher Leader Summit**



- Save the Date: The 2026 Teacher Leader Summit will be held May 26-28 at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.
  - Early bird registration opens February 16, 2026.
- Teacher Leader Summit is an annual professional learning conference that brings together Louisiana birth to grade 12 educators and content experts. Educators participating in the event will share their knowledge, learn new skills, and prepare for the 2026-2027 academic year.

# Monthly Office Hours for New Directors and YCWD Community of Practice

The LDOE team conducts webinars on various topics related to early childhood quality and improving child care sites' administrative and operational functions.

- The New Directors Office Hours and YCWD Community of Practice webinars will not be held in the month of December but will resume in January.
- Updated dates and times will be provided in the January CNLA Office Hours on January 13, 2026.



## **Monthly Provider Update Webinar**

CNLAs are encouraged to attend the Department's monthly webinars for early childhood providers. These webinars include important updates and reminders for all provider types.

Providers can access the next provider webinar using the information below:

Webinar Date/Time: Thursday, February 5, 2026 at 1 p.m.

Webinar Link: <a href="https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93597745872">https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93597745872</a>

Phone Number: 1 470 250 9358

• **Meeting ID:** 935 9774 5872

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Note: There will be no provider webinar in January 2026.



# **Monthly CNLA Office Hours Webinar**

CNLAs are encouraged to attend the monthly CNLA Office Hour webinars. These webinars include important updates and reminders for Community Network Lead Agencies.

Attendees can access the next CNLA Office Hours webinar using the information below:

Webinar Date/Time: Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 3 p.m.

https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/97220084131 Webinar Link:

**Phone Number:** 1 312 626 6799

**Meeting ID:** 972 2008 4131

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# **Monthly Office Hours for Active Coaching Sites**

The LDOE team conducts webinars on various topics related to early childhood quality and improving child care sites' administrative and operational functions. Through engaging sessions and monthly guest speakers, the office hours are designed to support directors seeking training, to facilitate effective ECE leadership development.

The January focus area is "Leadership Development". During this session, participants will gain a deeper understanding of the director's role, effective leadership practices, and strategies for supporting staff through incentives and retention efforts.

Participants will also receive actionable guidance on applying these concepts in their daily leadership responsibilities.

Attendees can access the webinar using the information below:

• **Webinar Date/Time:** Wednesday, January 21, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

Webinar Link: <a href="https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/98038985498">https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/98038985498</a>

Phone Number: 1-470-250-9358
Meeting ID: 980 3898 5498

• **Passcode:** 989833





### **Events and Deadlines**

December 10: LA 4/NSECD/ECE Fund attendance due

January 13: **CNLA Office Hours Webinar** 

January 14: EC Teacher and Leader of the Year Application Due

January 23: Super App Blueprints and CFR due

February 5: Monthly Provider Webinar



# **Questions?**



