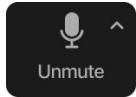
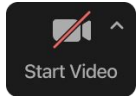


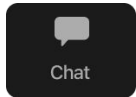
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Zoom Meeting Protocol

Participant Naming Conventions

Please change your Zoom name to reflect your actual name and the Community Network you represent.

Questions

During the presentation, please add any questions to the chat. Questions will be answered at the end of the webinar. If you enter a question in the chat, please include your e-mail address, in case our team needs to follow up with you further.

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Community Network Lead Agency Updates Webinar



June 9, 2026

Webinar Purpose and Objectives



Webinar Purpose and Objectives

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

Objectives:

Community Network Lead Agencies will

- Receive new information and updates
- Review reminders about upcoming deadlines



Agenda

- I. Early Childhood Community Network Updates
- II. Featured Topics:
 - A. Accountability
 - B. Curriculum Updates
- III. Early Childhood Reminders
- IV. Upcoming Events and Deadlines



Early Childhood Accountability



Error Corrections and Third-Party Appeals

Error Corrections must be submitted by no later than 11:59 p.m. on June 15 of the academic year in which the observation occurred.

Spring Appeals must be submitted between January 1 and 11:59 p.m. on June 15 of the academic year in which the observation occurred.

- The LDOE will notify CNLAs of the final Appeal Determination via email from EarlyChildhoodAppeals@la.gov no later than July 30 of the academic year in which the observation occurred.



Data Certification

Data Certification is a critical process that allows Community Network Lead Agencies (CNLAs) to ensure informational metrics are accurately captured and reflected in the final Performance Profiles.

Data Certification allows CNLAs to work with programs and sites to verify the following information for *each site* as of October 1:

- Site Code
- Site Name
- Children Served (age configuration)
 - Changes may be required to the number of children served if the site provides care to children within the age configuration.
- Number of Children Assessed (using TS GOLD® May Checkpoint)



Data Certification

CNLAs should work with programs/sites to verify the following information for *one lead teacher* in each classroom as of October 1:

- Teacher Name
- Teacher Degree (Highest degree earned)
- Teacher Certification (Yes or No)
- Certification Number (Including Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate)
- Teacher/Child Ratio
- Curriculum
- If a classroom was open on October 1, informational metrics must still be reported, even if the classroom closed before the end of the year.
- Classrooms opened after October 1 will not appear in the Louisiana Data Review (LDR) system.



Data Certification Tentative Timeline

July 13 - July 15

CNLAs receive data certification files via FTP.

Using the data certification files as a guide, CNLAs should work with sites and providers to verify data.

July 20 and August 3

CNLAs are encouraged to sign Assurance Agreements by July 22.

CNLAs verify, edit, collect documentation, and submit eligible records in the LDR system.

July 31

CNLAs begin finalizing edits and submitting documentation in the LDR system.

LDOE verifies edits and approves submissions.

August 3

The LDR system closes at 11:59 p.m.

Once the LDR closes, CNLAs will only be able to communicate with the LDOE through the Responses tab.

Early Childhood Accountability

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Early Childhood Observation System (ECOS)

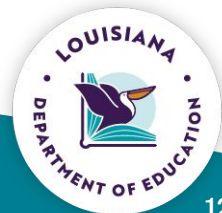
The current [EC CLASS® Portal](#) will be retired in July 2026, at which point users will have limited access to the system.

Beginning in August 2026, all Community Network Lead Agencies (CNLAs), Program Partners, and observers will begin using the new Early Childhood Observation System (ECOS). Historical observation data will be migrated to ECOS.

ECOS is integrated within the [Louisiana Educator Portal \(LEP\)](#). CNLAs must request the appropriate user role through EdLink security. If the CNLA does not already have an [EdLink security](#) profile, a [MyLA ID](#) must be created prior to requesting access.

Early Childhood Accountability

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ECOS - Network Coordinators

Network Coordinators are responsible for setting up sites and classrooms, assigning observations to local observers, entering observation data, and viewing observation results for their respective network.

CNLAs will be allowed to designate between two and five network coordinators, depending on the size of the network. CNLAs should complete the [ECOS Network Coordinator Access](#) form by June 26, 2026.

Network Coordinators By Number of Classrooms			
0-50 Classrooms	51-100 Classrooms	101-200 Classrooms	200+ Classrooms
Two Coordinators	Three Coordinators	Four Coordinators	Five Coordinators



2026-2027 Academic Approval Renewal

The 2026-2027 Academic Approval Certificates are automatically generated after the successful submission of the assurances and emailed to the address provided in the online form. Providers should save a copy for their records and **post their 2026-2027 Academic Approval certificate starting July 1, 2026.**

- All certificates should include the site name and license number.

As a reminder, the current 2025-2026 certificate must remain posted through June 30, 2026.

If you did not receive an email containing a PDF of your Academic Approval Certificate and your signed 2026-2027 Program Partner Assurances, please email kishia.grayson@la.gov.

Early Childhood Accountability

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LA 4 Overview and Attendance Webinar

The LA 4 Overview and Updates Webinar will be held on **Wednesday, July 29 at 10:00 a.m.**

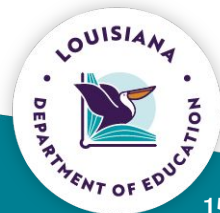
This **mandatory webinar** will provide a compliance-focused overview of the LA 4 Program. Participants will review key policies related to **lead teacher staffing, health screening and support services reporting, and attendance reporting procedures.**

This session is designed to support LA 4 Coordinators in meeting program expectations, adhering to reporting and documentation practices, and maintaining compliance with all of the LA 4 program requirements.

Webinar registration information will be forthcoming.

Early Childhood Accountability

Please contact kishia.grayson@la.gov with questions.



NSECD Overview and Attendance Webinar

The NSECD Overview and Updates Webinar will be held on **Wednesday, July 29 at 1:00 p.m.**

This **mandatory webinar** will provide a compliance-focused overview of the NSECD Program. Participants will review **program expectations, teacher qualification requirements, [prekla.org](https://prek.la.gov), and disenrollment procedures.**

This session is designed to support NSECD sites in meeting program expectations, adhering to reporting, and maintaining compliance with the NSECD program requirements.

Webinar registration information will be forthcoming.

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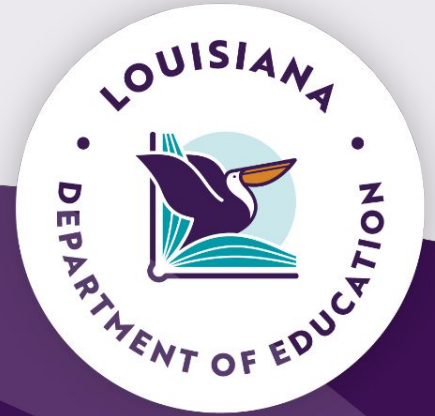
CLASS® 2nd Edition Resources

Teachstone released the following resources to support observers with the 2nd Edition tools:

- [Infant-Toddler Transition Guide](#) (for observers)
- [CLASS® 2008 to CLASS® 2nd Edition Crosswalk](#)

In addition to the resources above, this [blog post](#) from August 2025 has a [link to register](#) for a webinar about the 2nd Edition Infant-Toddler tool. Once registered, a link to view the recorded webinar will be sent. The [slides](#) are also available for review.

Early Childhood Community Network Updates and Reminders



Early Childhood Curriculum Update

The LDOE Instructional Materials Review (IMR) team is conducting ongoing new curriculum reviews:

- These reviews are designed to evaluate the alignment of instructional materials with the revised [2024 Early Learning and Development Standards \(ELDS\)](#) and ensure that the materials used in classrooms support high-quality teaching and learning.
- A new Tier I Curriculum List for ECE is being published as IMR reviews are completed.
 - The updated Tier I list will be located on the [IMR webpage](#) “Early Childhood Instructional Materials” dropdown and will be populated on an ongoing basis as reviews are complete.
 - Currently, four curricula have completed the IMR process and have been approved as Tier I:
 - Great Minds PBC - Eureka Math Squared, Level PK - ECE, Ages 4-5
 - Frog Street Press, LLC - Frog Street Preschool Louisiana, Threes
 - Frog Street Press, LLC - Frog Street Pre-K Louisiana, ECE Ages 4-5
 - Frog Street Press, LLC - Frog Street Infant: Joyful Beginnings, Louisiana

Please note: Newly-approved Frog Street curriculum now has “Louisiana” in the title. All previous versions will be archived.

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Teaching and Learning Reminders & Updates

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Early Childhood Curriculum Update

The LDOE Instructional Materials Review (IMR) team is conducting ongoing new curriculum reviews:

- Currently, 5 curricula are in the review stage of the IMR process.
 - Those currently in review include:
 - Teacher Created Materials, Inc. Explore & Learn
 - AppleTree Institute for Education Innovation-Every Child Ready, Pre-K 3-4 (2024)
 - No Tears Learning, Inc. Learning Without Tears-Get Set for School Pre-K Program (2021), Ages 4-5
 - CELEBRATE Successful Early Learning-FOUNDATIONS, Ages 3-4 (2022)
- Still in prescreening:
 - Teaching Strategies-The Creative Curriculum

IMPORTANT: All curricula in the review stage or in prescreening have a completion date after the 6/30/26 deadline for EC Literacy Initiative funding.

Teaching and Learning Reminders & Updates

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Early Childhood Literacy Initiative Allocation

The LDOE Early Childhood Literacy Initiative allocation was approved during the January 2026 BESE meeting. This funding opportunity runs from February 1 - June 30, 2026 and includes the following:

- **Curriculum Allocation (Available to CNLAs and CCR&Rs):** The curriculum allocation will be used to purchase newly-rated high-quality instructional materials (rated as Tier I) that align to the updated [Early Learning and Development Standards](#) and LDOE IMR review processes.
 - CNLAs should work with schools to purchase newly-rated Tier I curriculum and curriculum-aligned professional development requested by school-based publicly funded pre-K classrooms.
 - CCR&Rs should work with child care sites to purchase newly-rated Tier I curriculum and curriculum-aligned professional development requested for infant, toddler, and preschool classrooms by Type III child care and FCC sites who have opted into Academic Approval.

Upcoming Events and Deadlines
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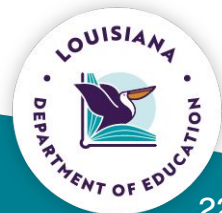


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- **SoR Training Stipend Allocation (available to CNLAs):** The SoR Training stipend allocation will be used to provide LDOE-created SoR training to support early identification and interventions, including for teachers of young children with disabilities who teach pre-K.
 - This portion of the allocation offered through CNLAs to school-based pre-K educators will fund \$250 stipends for the completion of 3 LDOE Science of Reading pre-K modules through the LDOE Canopy platform. These modules are now available in the [Louisiana Professional Learning Platform](#).
 - Please note: There will be additional information regarding funding opportunities for training stipends for publicly funded child care center teachers, Early Head Start/Head Start teachers, Family Child Care educators with Academic Approval, and NSECD teachers in publicly funded sites presented at August 2026 BESE.

Upcoming Events and Deadlines
Please contact caitlyn.robinson@la.gov with questions.



Early Childhood Curriculum Update

IMPORTANT:

As the Department has communicated through CNLA Office Hours and the EC Newsletter, the LDOE is currently reviewing ECE instructional materials, with several additional reviews scheduled to be released this summer and early fall.

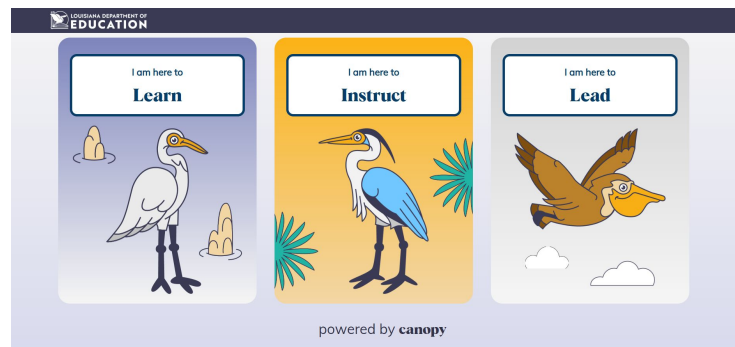
- A portion of the funding that was utilized for the EC Literacy Initiative that was approved at January BESE included **IDEA funding**. The deadline for using IDEA 619 funds, specifically **EC_CURR_IDEA (public school Pre-K)** and **EC_SOR_IDEA (public school Pre-K SOR stipends)** to purchase materials has been extended to September 30, 2026.
- School systems should not interpret the current Tier 1 list for ECE materials as indicating that only one high-quality option is available for purchase with these funds.

SoR Training

SoR Training Modules

The Early Childhood *Science and Art of Reading* courses are now available:

- The Early Childhood *Science and Art of Reading* professional learning series aims to equip educators with a shared understanding of the knowledge and skills needed to implement scientifically-based literacy instruction. This professional development series is housed in our [Louisiana Professional Learning Platform](#).
- Early Childhood Science and Art of Reading
Course code: **C100N1N9**



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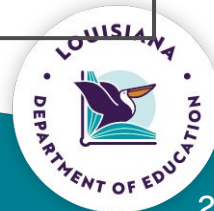


Upcoming Events and Deadlines



Early Childhood Teacher and Leader Next Steps

Date	Activity
June 29, 2026	20 th Annual Cecil J. Picard Educator Excellence Awards Gala option 1 informational call @ 4:00
June 30, 2026	20 th Annual Cecil J. Picard Educator Excellence Awards Gala option 2 informational call @ 11:00
July 25, 2026	20 th Annual Cecil J. Picard Educator Excellence Awards Gala
October 14, 2026	BESE Awards Recognition at 8:30 a.m.
Spring 2027	Early Childhood Conference-Baton Rouge
Spring 2027	Early Childhood Conference-Shreveport



Early Childhood eGMS Allocations

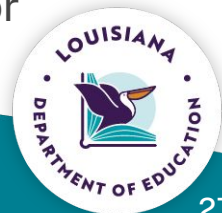
All 2026 allocations have been uploaded in the E-Grants Management System (eGMS). Funds must be drawn down by **June 30, 2026**. Any funds not drawn down by this date will not roll over.

eGMS Application Names:

- EC State General Fund
- EC Consolidated
- EC Curriculum Reimbursement

Important:

- To view the application in eGMS, “Contacts” and “Assurances for Early Childhood” must be completed.
- Please e-mail the LDOE Grants Helpdesk at ldoegrantshelpdesk@la.gov for assistance.



Monthly Provider Update Webinar

CNLAs are encouraged to attend the 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, July 2 at 1 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/91532982014>
- **Phone Number:** 1 470 250 9358
- **Meeting ID:** 915 3298 2014
- **Passcode:** 519100

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

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Family Child Care (FCC) Office Hours

Please encourage any current Academically-Approved FCC providers in your network to join monthly office hours. This is a dedicated time to check in, ask questions, and receive new information.

FCC providers can access this webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** Wednesday, June 10, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93029152858>
- **Phone Number:** 1-312-626-6799
- **Meeting ID:** 930 2915 2858

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

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Monthly CNLA Update Webinar

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

Attendees can access the next CNLA Update Webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** Tuesday, July 14 at 3 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/97220084131>
- **Phone Number:** 1 312 626 6799
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Upcoming Events and Deadlines

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Monthly Office Hours for New Directors & Active Coaching

For June, the LDOE will combine the New Directors Webinar and the Active Coaching Webinar to provide aligned support around a shared focus area. The June webinar focus, “*Bulletin 137* Summer Hot Topics,” will strengthen participant understanding of *Bulletin 137*, including recent revisions and procedures for incident reporting.

Attendees can access the webinar using the information below:

- **Date:** Wednesday, June 17 at 1 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/98824530491>
- **Phone Number:** 1 470 250 9358
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Announcements & Upcoming Events

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ECE Fund Eligibility Webinar

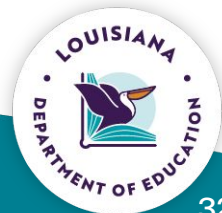
In preparation for the FY27 we will be hosting an ECE fund eligibility webinar for those participating networks. During this webinar, the LDOE will walk through eligibility best practices and provide answers to any eligibility related questions.

Attendees can access the webinar using the information below:

- **Date:** Monday, June 15, 2026 at 2 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/91077079674?>
- **Phone Number:** +1 346 248 7799
- **Meeting ID:** 910 7707 9674
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Upcoming Events

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Monthly Young Children with Disabilities Community of Practice

The early childhood strategy team conducts a monthly Community of Practice on various topics related to young children with disabilities. The next YCWD Community of Practice webinar will be a redelivery of the following session from Teacher Leader Summit 2026: **“Preparing for CLASS® Observations for Classrooms with Young Children with Disabilities.”**

Attendees can access the webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** Tuesday, June 23 at 3 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/99301224453>
- **Phone Number:** 1-312-626-6799
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Upcoming Events and Deadlines

Please contact Emily.Coussou@la.gov with questions.



Events and Deadlines



June 10:

[Monthly FCC Office Hours](#)

June 15:

[ECE Fund Eligibility Webinar](#)

June 17:

[New Directors and Active Coaching Site Office Hours](#)

June 23:

[Young Children with Disabilities Community of Practice](#)

June 26:

[ECOS Network Coordinator Access](#) form due

July 2:

[Monthly Provider Webinar](#)

July 14:

[CNLA Update Webinar](#)

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Questions



Thank you!

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