Zoom Meeting Preparation



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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.

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AP Amy Poirier (Host)

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 Office Hours



Agenda

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Early Childhood Community Network Updates



TEACHER LEADER SUMMIT 2025

A New Story for LOUISIANA EDUCATION

June 10-12 | New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center

Teacher Leader Summit 2025 celebrates Louisiana's historic education progress and sets the stage for the next chapter of success. Educators across the state are writing a new story for Louisiana education by accelerating academic achievement and fostering student growth. This year's Summit theme, "A New Story for Louisiana Education," highlights the collective effort of educators to continue moving our state forward.

Join us this summer as we celebrate the end of one school year and prepare to make an even bigger impact for the academic year ahead.



A New Story for LOUISIANA EDUCATION

Objectives of Teacher Leader Summit:



Improve the everyday practice of educators in Louisiana by building knowledge and skills.



Provide opportunities for educators to collaborate and share best practices.



Equip educators with **high-quality strategies**, **resources**, **and professional learning** aligned with Louisiana's educational priorities.



Empower and inspire educators to take on an even greater **leadership role** within their classrooms, schools, and school systems.





A New Story for LOUISIANA EDUCATION

Registration is now open!

Registration for this event will be on a first-come, first-served basis. As space is limited, early registration is encouraged. **There** will be no on-site registration.

- **Early Bird Registration**: \$249 (Feb. 10-March 14)
- Regular Registration: \$299 (March 15-April 18)







Featured Topics:

EC Learn Platform and Spring 2025 Collaboratives



EC Learn



EC Learn Online Training Platform

- EC Learn is the LDOE's Early Childhood free, online training and learning resource, where early childhood educators can enroll in and access free continuing education courses.
- Individuals may access *EC Learn* by typing <u>https://eclearn.doe.louisiana.gov/</u> in the address field of a browser window:
 - https://eclearn.doe.louisiana.gov







Early Childhood Health & Safety Training

- Current early childhood course listings on the *EC Learn* landing page include
 - Medication Administration in Child Care -3 credit hours
 - Safe Environments in Child Care -1 credit hour
 - Food Safety in Child Care -1 credit hour
- The Department is currently preparing two additional health and safety trainings, "Infectious Diseases" and "Sanitation in Child Care," which will be available in *EC Learn* by April 2025.
- Courses related to Young Children With Disabilities (YCWD), Early Learning and Development Standards (ELDS), Family Engagement, Literacy and more will be available by Summer 2025.

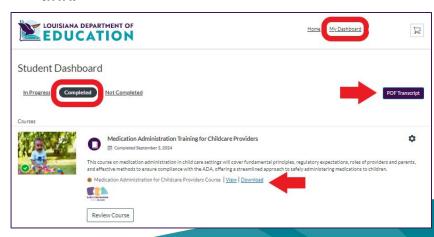




EC Learn Training Certificates

EC Learn participants will be e-mailed a copy of the training certificate within 24 hours of successful completion of the final course exam. Additionally, participants can view and download training certificates or a training transcript from their Student Dashboard.

- On the Canvas Catalog Dashboard, click the "Completed" tab.
- To view the certificate, click the "View" link. To download the certificate, click the "Download" link.



Download a PDF transcript of all completed courses in the "Completed" portion of your Dashboard.



Early Childhood Spring 2025 Collaboratives



Early Childhood Spring Collaboratives

This Spring, the Department will hold two Early Childhood Collaboratives at the Claiborne Building, 1201 N. Third St., in Baton Rouge.

- Friday, March 28, 2025 (10 a.m. 3 p.m.) for Community Network Lead Agencies (CNLAs) who serve children with the CCAP B-3 program.
- Tuesday, April 1, 2025 (10 a.m. 3 p.m.) for all other CNLAs.

During this time, the Department will review the role of the CNLA as well as Ready Start Network (RSN) and share the Office of Early Childhood Care and Education Key Performance Indicators.

Please ensure that at least **one** representative (and up to two representatives) from your network is present at the appropriate event and signs up using this form.

CCAP B-3 Seats EdLink Conversion



CCAP B-3 EdLink Conversion

The Department is excited to announce the first phase of the transition of the CCAP B-3 Seats program!

- In order to support the transition this Spring of currently-enrolled children into KinderConnect (the CCAP attendance tracking software), networks will be required to enter child and parent information into EdLink by **no later than March 31, 2025.**
 - An EdLink account is required to enter data: instructions on how to create an account will be shared, if a user does not currently have an account.
 - Please note that the sooner networks are able to provide this family data, the sooner the LDOE B-3 Seats Eligibility team will be able to begin communicating with those families and accepting renewal applications for next year.

CCAP B-3 Seats EdLink Conversion

Each network should designate up to two users (the largest networks will be allowed up to five users) to create an account to submit this data.

Please note that to receive access, the user will need to provide the following information:

- Full name
- Social Security Number
- Identification Number (i.e., Driver's License number)
- ID Issuing State
- Gender
- Race

Please submit <u>this form</u> to the LDOE Early Childhood team by no later than **Friday, March 14, 2025**, to designate team members who will be conducting the B-3 Seats data entry.

The Department will provide a User Guide for data entry via email, as well as optional training dates and times, on Friday, March 14, 2025, to support network users establish accounts and enter data.

Early Childhood Reminders





EC CLASS® Portal

Per Bulletin 140, CNLAs are required to enter two observations in the EC CLASS® Portal for the 2024-2025 academic year:

- One observation in Fall 2024
- One observation in Spring 2025



CLASS® Support for CNLAs

For assistance with the following information and processes, please contact the following staff members:

Sites Codes,	Bulletin 140 Requirements,
EC Portal Access,	CLASS®,
Child Count	Scheduling
Please contact Alicia Franklin at <u>alicia.franklin@la.gov</u> .	Please contact Robert Jones at <u>robert.jones4@la.gov</u> .

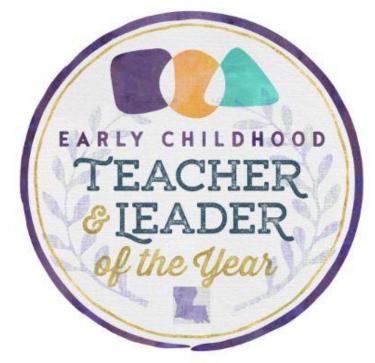
Upcoming Events and Deadlines



Early Childhood Teacher and Leader of the Year Award **Program**

The Louisiana Department of Education, in partnership with Dream Teachers, is excited to recognize and celebrate some of the state's most exceptional educators through the Early Childhood Teacher and Leader of the Year programs.

The application period closed on January 15. Finalists will be announced on March 18, 2025.





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:

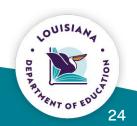
Webinar Date/Time: Thursday, April 3, 2025 at 1 p.m.

Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93597745872

• **Phone Number:** 1 470 250 9358

Meeting ID: 935 9774 5872

• **Passcode:** 641464



Monthly CNLA Office Hours Webinar

CNLAs are encouraged to attend the monthly 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, April 8, 2025 at 3 p.m.

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

Phone Number: 1 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 972 2008 4131

• **Passcode:** 051391



Monthly Office Hours for New Directors

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.

This month's topic is "Infant Safe Sleep Practices." Participants will learn the importance of proper infant care, including safe sleep best practices in child care settings.

Attendees can access the webinar using the information below:

• **Date:** March 28 at 12:00 p.m.

Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93015014527

Phone Number: 1-346-248-7799Meeting ID: 930 1501 4527

• **Passcode:** 012444





Events and Deadlines

March 14:

B-3 Seats Networks Submit

- B-3 Seat EdLink Users AND
- Collaborative Attendee Names to the LDOE

March 14:

Teacher Leader Summit Early Bird Registration closes

March 15:

Teacher Leader Summit Regular Registration opens

March 18:

Early Childhood Teacher and Leader of the Year Finalists Announced

March 28:

New Director Office Hours

March 31:

All B-3 Seats Enrollment Data must be submitted through EdLink

Please contact <u>earlychildhood@la.gov</u> with questions.

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Events and Deadlines

April 3:

Monthly Provider Webinar

April 8:

CNLA Monthly Office Hours Webinar

April 11:

LA 4/NSECD/CCAP B-3 attendance due

April 18:

Teacher Leader Summit Regular Registration closes





Contact Information

General Early Childhood Support

(including B-3 Seats and ECE Fund)

• Email <u>EarlyChildhood@la.gov</u>

Coordinated Enrollment

• Email jenny.moran2@la.gov with questions.

Early Childhood Assessment

• Email <u>ECAssessment@la.gov</u> with questions.

EC Learn

• Email <u>EClearn@la.gov</u> with questions.

LA 4 and NSECD

Email <u>kishia.grayson@la.gov</u> with questions.

School Readiness Tax Credits

Email <u>demita.walker@la.gov</u> with questions.



Questions







Thank You!

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