

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Job Description: Assistant Superintendent, Academic Content

The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) vision, *Louisiana Believes*, is built on the premise that Louisiana students are just as capable as any students in America, and that those closest to children – parents and teachers – are best positioned to help students achieve those expectations. The LDOE mission is a student experience where every student is given the support and tools to fully master content, leaves every grade prepared for the next level of study, and successfully accesses the same post-secondary opportunities as their peers across the country.

The Academic Content team is a key lever in achieving that mission, and the LDOE leadership is seeking an experienced executive-level team member to lead the team and oversee all statewide academic initiatives.

Key Responsibilities

- Building a cohesive standards, curriculum, professional development and assessment infrastructure for mathematics, English language arts, science, and social studies
- Developing a student experience focused on building knowledge of the world, reading meaningful texts, expressing ideas through writing and speaking and attempting complex math problems
- Managing high quality, standards-aligned academic professional development for educators through strategic partnerships with <u>proven vendors</u>
- Administering a nationally recognized <u>instructional materials review process</u> to identify alignment with the Louisiana Student Standards
- Overseeing the recruitment and management of a cadre of exemplary <u>Teacher Leaders Advisors</u> tasked with creation of curriculum tools and corresponding training
- Deepening the scale and quality of Louisiana's <u>LEAP 360 non-summative assessment system</u> and educator use
- Running the <u>Louisiana Teacher Leader cadre</u> of over 5,000 outstanding educators, representing every school in the state, who are focused on high expectations for students
- Establishing innovative strategies and initiatives to support struggling students and diverse learners, such as students with disabilities and English language learners
- Securing national funding to support critical academic initiatives
- Working cross functionally with the school improvement, workforce talent, high school
 pathways, assessment and accountability, and policy teams to ensure Louisiana's academic
 vision is integrated and supported throughout the agency

Required Skills and Knowledge:

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- Belief in the ability of all students to learn and succeed on grade level with their peers
- Deep instructional expertise including knowledge of excellent math, English language arts, science, and social studies teaching and learning
- Knowledge on the science and research of student and adult learning, content specific pedagogy and important adult teaching strategies
- Experience as a classroom teacher, school leader, and/or school system academic/curriculum administrator
- Experience successfully managing multiple work streams and cross-collaborative projects simultaneously
- Experience fostering and maintaining strong external relationships centered on a common goal

Terms of Employment

This is an unclassified position reporting directly to the State Superintendent of Education. Salary offers for desired candidates will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. A hired applicant must reside in Louisiana and significant time spent in Baton Rouge is expected.

Applicants

Applicants should submit a resume, cover letter, and contact information for two references to <u>Idoejobs@la.gov</u>. Applications will be accepted and informal and formal interviews will occur on a rolling basis until the position has been filled. Potential applicants with questions about the position may contact Bridget Devlin at Bridget.Devlin@la.gov.