

New: Process to Submit TAT Renewal Appeals for TCAC Consideration

In April, BESE approved a new process that allows the Teacher Certification Appeals Council (TCAC) to consider appeals relative to TAT extensions through July 2018. Appeals may be considered provided there is evidence that the teacher made a good faith effort to pass the required exams, met the standards of effectiveness, is recommended by the employing LEA and will continue to be employed, and is teaching in a demonstrated shortage area.

School systems will apply for the TAT renewal via appeal, and

- Submit the <u>TAT Renewal Application</u>, which will serve as the request for the TAT renewal AND the appeal.
 - o attach supporting documentation as outlined in the application
 - o include a \$25.00 check or money order made out to "Louisiana Department of Education"
- School systems that anticipate submitting multiple TAT renewal/appeal requests should email paula.tonguis@la.gov with a list of applicants to ensure receipt and processing of the requests in time for the appeals meeting date
- Completed applications must be submitted no later than **Tuesday**, June 6, 2017
- TCAC will begin hearing appeals relative to TAT extensions on June 13, 2017.

Questions? Please email paula.tonguis@la.gov.

