LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Steve Carter Literacy Tutoring
Fall 2022
Informational Webinar for School
Systems

Agenda

- Connection to Louisiana Literacy Work
- Program Overview
- Eligibility and Funding
- Steve Carter Tutoring Provider Requirements
- Tutor Communication
- Instructional Resources
- School Systems as Providers



Mission: Louisiana students will have improved literacy outcomes through high-quality instruction and interactions from an effective teacher who is supported by leaders and families.





Overview of Literacy Work

Key Pillars of the Louisiana Comprehensive Literacy Plan



Student literacy outcomes will increase when schools create and monitor LITERACY GOALS.



Literacy outcomes
will improve when
students are provided
high-quality core
instruction together with
EXPLICIT LITERACY
INTERVENTIONS AND
EXTENSIONS based on
individual student needs.



ONGOING
PROFESSIONAL
GROWTH is an essential
component of effective
teaching and literacy
development.



FAMILIES play an essential role in the literacy development of children at all ages and stages.



Program Overview



Steve Carter Literacy Tutoring: Program Overview

- Steve Carter Literacy Program provides tutoring services to Kindergarten through fifth grade public school students who are below reading proficiency to address unfinished learning.
- The Department has designated \$40 million dollars of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds toward this tutoring program.
- All tutoring services must be provided by certified teachers in early elementary or reading or those with a degree in education, English or other subject indicative of expertise in reading and literacy. Tutoring providers must also agree to complete the <u>Act 108 training</u> by December 31, 2023.
- Tutoring for Steve Carter participants is provided by LDOE approved tutoring providers.

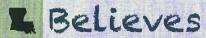


Eligibility and Funding



Any Louisiana public school student in grades K-3 who scored below proficiency on the beginning of the year literacy screener is eligible for Steve Carter Literacy Tutoring.

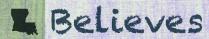
Students in grades 4-5 who scored below mastery in the ELA portion of LEAP in the spring of 2022 are also eligible for Steve Carter Literacy Tutoring.



Eligibility and Funding

Schools will identify eligible students and send a letter home to families stating eligibility. Upon family registration, eligible students will receive a \$1,000 digital tutoring voucher. This voucher will be for the year.

The voucher will be automatically uploaded into the child's account through the portal. As tutoring sessions are scheduled, the voucher will decrease until extinguished. Families will verify the tutoring sessions occurred prior to the tutor receiving payment.



Steve Carter Tutor Requirements

According to Act 415, all Steve Carter Literacy Tutors must be certified teachers in elementary or reading or have a degree in education, English, or another subject indicative of expertise in reading and literacy. Tutoring providers must also agree to complete the Act 108 training by December 31, 2023.

Group Size

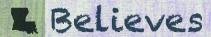
Face-to-face and virtual literacy tutoring group size can be up to 3 students. (Reimbursement for tutoring \$40 per hour 1:1, \$30 perNicole16 hour 2:1 or \$27 per hour 3:1.)



Communication from Tutors

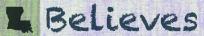
All approved applicants were required to provide a plan that includes how provider will engage and collaborate with families and schools about:

- each child's progress and need
- increasing literacy, capacity and involvement
- addressing questions/concerns for all families, including those with low levels of literacy/English proficiency
- alignment between classroom instruction and tutoring services



Instructional Resources

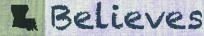
- High-quality instructional materials
 - Core
 - Intervention
- Phonological awareness activity cards
- Literacy Interventions and Foundational Tools (LIFT) Kit
- Foundational Instruction for Reading Excellence (FIRE) Materials (Grades 3-5)



REAL Recipients

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- Yes Use REAL funding for grades K-3rd students at CIR/UIR-A schools and Steve Carter for Literacy Tutoring funding for K-3rd students not at at CIR/UIR-A and any 4th-5th grade students at all schools
- No Use Steve Carter Literacy Tutoring funding for all K-5th grade students



Questions

Email <u>louisianaliteracy@la.gov</u> with questions.

If your school system would like to find out more information about becoming a Steve Carter Literacy Tutoring Provider, please send us an email and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have. The RFA will reopen on November 1, 2022.

