### LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Staffing and Scheduling Best Practices for Addressing Unfinished Learning and Meeting the Needs of Diverse Learners

> Guidance and Opportunities for Additional Support

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# **Guidance Document**

# The document is organized into 3 main sections:

- 1. General Overview of 6 best practices
- 2. <u>Staffing Implications</u> for each of the best practices
- 3. <u>Scheduling Implications</u> for each of the best practices

### Each section includes specific:

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- Recommendations and Examples
- Tips, Cautions, Common Misperceptions, and Strategies to Avoid



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## **Overview of Best Practices**

High-Quality Core and Literacy Instruction

Extra Instructional Time from Content Strong Staff

Social & Emotional Needs and Equity Matter Greatly

- 1. High-quality core instruction is the foundation.
- 2. Effective literacy instruction is central to student success.
- 3. Students with unfinished learning and diverse learners need extra instructional time to catch up.
- 4. Both core instruction and acceleration must be provided by content strong staff.
- 5. Meeting the social, emotional, and behavioral needs of students supports academic achievement.
- 6. Equity should be at the forefront of all these strategies.

#### LDOE and DMGroup will provide live technical training and support sessions to LEAs.

As part of the release of the <u>Staffing and Scheduling Best Practices</u> initiative, school systems will be offered a variety of implementation supports this spring, summer, and fall at no cost. A detailed list of supports is located in the <u>guidance document</u>.

- Best Practice Webinars
  - Practical tips for implementing LDOE's best practice guidance.

#### Virtual Job Alike Sharing Sessions

- District Academic Leadership
- School Leadership
- o Diverse Learners Leadership
- Counselors and Counselor Leadership
- Targeted Question & Answer Sessions
  - Virtual Q&A sessions to go deep into best practices related to effectively addressing unfinished student learning.

LEAs can opt into additional supports with DMGroup for targeted and more personalized technical assistance for a small fee.

#### Regional Technical Support Series

• Three regional technical support sessions for LEAs to receive in-depth training and guidance on best practices from DMGroup experts.

### "Phone a Friend" Coaching Support

 Individualized "just-in-time" coaching sessions for LEAs with DMGroup experts to discuss LEA-specific questions and challenges.

### **Pricing:**

- \$2,500 per district/system Covers Regional Technical Support Series and Coaching Support. Note: This support is subsidized by LDOE and qualifies for CARES Act Funding.
- > Bring a team of up to 8 leaders

### Link to Learn More

## **Additional Staffing and Scheduling TA**

School systems may choose to purchase more strategic implementation support for \$2500. This support includes participation for up to 8 individuals to attend three regional technical support sessions and receive three individual coaching calls. Systems interested should <u>register</u> by May 4.

Session 1	
May 17 1:00-4:00 PM	Spring Regional Technical Support Series: New Orleans (Virtual)
May 18 1:00-4:00 PM	Spring Regional Technical Support Series: Baton Rouge (Virtual)
May 19 1:00-4:00 PM	Spring Regional Technical Support Series: Northern LA (Virtual)
Session 2	
July 26 8:00 AM -12:00 PM	Summer Regional Technical Support Series: New Orleans (in person)
July 27 8:00 AM -12:00 PM	Summer Regional Technical Support Series: Baton Rouge (in person)
July 28 8:00 AM -12:00 PM	Summer Regional Technical Support Series: Northern LA (in person)
Session 3	
September 20 8:00 AM -12:00 PM	Fall Regional Technical Support Series: New Orleans (in person)
September 21 8:00 AM -12:00 PM	Fall Regional Technical Support Series: Baton Rouge (in person)
September 22 8:00 AM -12:00 PM	Fall Regional Technical Support Series: Northern LA (in person)