

# Instructional Materials Review (IMR) Teacher Leader Advisors

Early Childhood, ELA, ELA Intervention, Math, Science and Social Studies

## HOW DOES THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS REVIEW TEAM SUPPORT SCHOOL SYSTEMS?

Instructional materials are one of the most important tools educators use in the classroom to enhance student learning. It is critical that they fully align to state standards — what students are expected to learn and be able to do at the end of each grade level or course — and are high-quality if they are to provide meaningful instructional support. To support local school districts in making local, high-quality decisions, the Louisiana Department of Education leads online reviews of instructional materials. The tiered reviews describe the degree of alignment with state content standards.

#### HOW DO TEACHER LEADER ADVISORS CONTRIBUTE TO THE IMR WORK?

After receiving an in-depth instructional materials review (IMR) and rubric training, IMR Teacher Leader Advisors (TLAs)

work in grade-band teams within their content area to evaluate the quality of publisher-submitted curricular materials

using a <u>content-specific rubric</u>. The tiered reviews are posted to our <u>Tiered Reviews webpage</u> for school system consideration. The work of IMR TLAs impacts teachers and students across the state. Visit our <u>Tiered Reviews</u> <u>webpage</u> to see the posted state reviews that TLAs completed.

#### WHAT COMMITMENTS ARE REQUIRED?

- dedicate **5 to 10 hours per week** for assignments outside of normal employment hours
- initial training is required in addition to participating in check-ins with the workgroup manager and other TLAs for norming and feedback on reviews
- attend the required training(s) and check-ins with the workgroup manager and potentially other TLAs.

### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF BEING A TEACHER LEADER ADVISOR?

- compensation for **completed project deliverables** (as assigned) which range from \$50 to \$500 each with total TLA contracts ranging from \$1,500 to \$5,000
- training and feedback by Louisiana Department of Education staff members throughout the project
- deep understanding of the curriculum tools and resources the Department provides to educators
- the opportunity to **network** and **collaborate** with peer educators and Department leadership

#### WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

 Visit the <u>TLA website</u> to learn more about Teacher Leader Advisors. Please email <u>louisianacurriculumreview@la.gov</u> with questions.



Applications for Math Teacher Leader Advisors open February 5-March 1, 2024.

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