



*Dr. Melanie Caughey's EDCI 300 Students from University of Louisiana at Lafayette explore the Louisiana ELA standards using the Guidebooks.*

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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- April 12: Educator Preparation Provider [Monthly Webinar](#)

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- April 18: Submit 2019-2020 Mentor Teacher and Content Leader [nomination template](#)

## BELIEVE AND PREPARE UPDATES

### PREPARATION PROVIDER MONTHLY CALLS

In order to keep preparation providers abreast of important information, the Department is reintroducing monthly preparation provider webinars. These webinars will occur on the third Friday of every month at 1:00 pm, unless this date conflicts with a holiday or a conference. They will provide an opportunity to share and discuss important information and updates, including program approval and accountability.

Please join us for the first webinar scheduled for **April 12, 2019, at 1:00 pm**, where we will spend time discussing the nomination process for the last year of state-provided Mentor Teacher and Content Leader trainings, the transition to state-approved Mentor Teacher and Content Leader trainings, updates regarding the Teacher Preparation Quality Rating System performance profiles, as well as the upcoming Teacher Leader Summit. Any preparation provider leaders or faculty members are welcome to join.

#### **Webinar Details:**

- Webinar Date and Time: Friday, April 12; 1:00-2:00 pm
- Webinar Link: <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/440246097>
- Webinar Phone Number: 646-876-9923
- Meeting ID#: 440 246 097

Please contact [nicole.bono@la.gov](mailto:nicole.bono@la.gov) with questions.

### 2019 TEACHER LEADER SUMMIT: SAVE THE DATE

The [2019 Louisiana Teacher Leader Summit](#) will take place **June 26-28, 2019**, at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. This event will bring together 5,000 educators from across the state to share their knowledge, learn new skills, and prepare for the 2019–2020 school year.

Multiple sessions will be tailored to educator preparation providers and will cover topics ranging from educator workforce data to the use of high quality curriculum to updates regarding the Teacher Preparation Quality Rating System. Please review the [2019 Teacher Leader Summit Overview](#) for registration details.

Please contact [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) with questions.

### ON-SITE REVIEW WORKGROUP

The Department is reconvening the on-site review workgroup, which is dedicated to considering adjustments to the on-site review framework and process. Fifteen providers expressed interest in participating in this workgroup. The group will also include representatives from the Board of Regents, BESE, the LDE, and school systems, as well as representatives from Class Measures and TPI-US.

This group will begin convening this spring.

Please contact [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) with questions.

## **REGIONAL COLLABORATIVES CANCELED**

The regional collaborative meetings that were scheduled for late March have been canceled. This decision was made based on feedback from school systems. Due to the number of workgroup meetings and the addition of preparation provider monthly webinars, we do not plan to hold any additional in-person meetings at this time.

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## **TEACHER AND LEADER PIPELINE**

### **MENTOR TEACHER AND CONTENT LEADER NOMINATION PROCESS**

The Department has launched the nomination process for the last year of state-provided Mentor Teacher and Content Leader trainings. The [nomination template](#) is posted in both the [Mentor Teacher](#) and [Content Leader](#) libraries. The deadline for schools and school systems to submit the nomination template is **April 18**.

School systems are responsible for submitting nominees; however, **preparation provider faculty should work closely with school system partners to determine nominees for Mentor Teacher training.**

Please contact [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) with questions.

## **TEACHER PREPARATION ACCOUNTABILITY**

### **PERFORMANCE PROFILE FEEDBACK WEBINARS**

The Department will host two webinars during which preparation leaders will be able to review and provide final feedback on a revised draft of the Teacher Preparation Quality Rating System performance profiles. These webinars will be held on:

#### **Webinar #1 Details:**

- Webinar Date and Time: Wednesday, March 27; 2:00-3:00 pm **for providers in central/north LA**
- Webinar Link: <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/396505405>
- Webinar Phone Number: 646-876-9923
- Meeting ID#: 396 505 405

#### **Webinar #2 Details:**

- Webinar Date and Time: Tuesday, April 2; 12:00-1:00 pm **for providers in south LA**
- Webinar Link: <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/523333231>
- Webinar Phone Number: 646-876-9923
- Meeting ID#: 523 333 231

A copy of the revised performance profiles will be provided prior to the webinars.

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# TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM APPROVAL

## NEW PROGRAM APPROVALS

The timeline below provides information about the approval process for new programs. Current and new preparation providers may access resources available on the Department's website via the [Preparation Library](#).

<a href="#">Notice of Intent Submitted By</a>	Application Submission Deadline	Evaluation Period	Notification of Evaluation Results	BESE Considers (if recommended for approval)
11/16/2018	12/14/2018	1/4/2019-3/15/2019	3/18/2019	4/17/2019
7/1/2019	8/1/2019	8/1/2019-9/13/2019	9/13/2019	10/15/2019

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## NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

### DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES NEW EDUCATOR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

In January, the Department [launched of Classroom Chronicles](#), a monthly blog series that highlights the inspiring everyday work of Louisiana educators. Each month, the blog will spotlight an educator who is taking that extra step to make an impact on the lives of their students, school and community. *Classroom Chronicles* will be promoted on the [Department's website](#), in its newsletters, and through social media.

If you know an educator who is making an impact in your community, nominate them for an upcoming edition of *Classroom Chronicles* by completing this quick [form](#). If the educator you have nominated is selected, a member of the Department's communication team will be in touch.

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