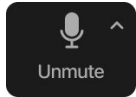
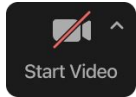


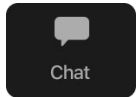
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- Please submit questions during the presentation in the “Chat” function located on the bottom of your screen.

If you require an interpreter or have other accessibility needs for future LDOE meetings, please contact LDOEcommunications@la.gov.



Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Call

May 21, 2026



Office of Career and College Readiness

Dr. Ernise Singleton, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Tireka Cobb, Chief of Staff

- Student Support
- Business & Industry Partnerships
- Fast Forward
- Safe and Healthy Schools



Student Support



2026-2027 Pupil Progression Plan template

The 2026-2027 Pupil Progression Plan template will be released in early July.

Please look for a notice in the System Leader Newsletter.

Please contact ppp@la.gov with questions.



Business and Industry Partnerships

Stephanie Marcum, Executive Director



Credit Recovery Reporting Per Policy

Students may earn a maximum of seven credit recovery units that may be applied towards diploma graduation requirements and no more than two Carnegie units annually.

The school system must annually report to LDOE the rationale for any student exceeding these maximums.

Please contact stephanie.marcum@la.gov with questions.



2026 ACT Summit

[Registration](#) is now open for the 2026 ACT Summit. The ACT Summit unites the expertise and focus of Workforce professionals, Higher Ed leaders, and K-12 leaders, creating a fully integrated experience that fosters cross-sector collaboration. Sessions are designed to spark collaboration, foster problem solving, and shape the future of education and the workforce.

- **When:** July 13-15
- **Where:** Nashville, TN
- **Cost:** Registration \$795

Please contact charmaine.cureton@la.gov with questions.



College Board Updates and Deadlines

Deadlines and Reminders:

- **May 31:** Deadline for AP African American Studies project and AP Latin checkpoint scores for the [AP Digital Portfolio](#).
- **May 31:** Deadline for AP Teachers to submit applications for the [AP Participation Grant](#).
- **June 1:** Deadline for College Board to [receive exam materials](#) from schools.
- **June 15:** Postmark deadline to return [AP Exam Invoices and Payments](#).
- **June 20:** Deadline for students to indicate or change the recipient of their [free score report](#).
- Please check out the [AP One Pager](#) for more information on test dates, resources, and common links.

Events:

- [AP Coordinator Back-to-School Workshops \(Virtual\)](#) will focus on updates and resources for the upcoming school year. **(Various dates from July 7 - September 17)**
- [2026 AP Annual Conference](#)
 - **When:** July 22 - 24
 - **Where:** Las Vegas, NV
 - **Cost:** \$425-\$625

Please contact fhordge@collegeboard.org with questions.



Call for Proposals: Louisiana ACT Regional Conference

ACT would like to invite you to [submit a session proposal](#) for the 2027 Louisiana Regional Conference, which will take place on January 26 in Baton Rouge. Sessions should be 45 minutes with priority given to sessions that are relevant to education and workforce such as:

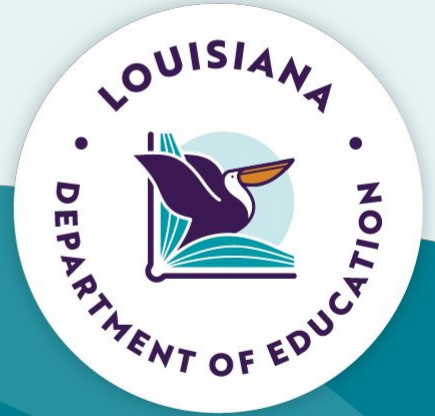
- Innovative uses of ACT programs to boost outcomes
- Leveraging AI in the classroom
- Proven test preparation strategies
- K-12, higher education, and workforce partnerships
- Engaging parents and communities

The deadline to submit is **June 5**.

Please contact charmaine.cureton@la.gov with questions.



Fast Forward



NACEP National Conference & Scholarship Opportunity

Registration is open for the [NACEP National Conference](#). Hosted by the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships, this conference brings together K-12 and postsecondary partners to strengthen dual enrollment programs, share best practices, and align to national quality standards.

When: October 18–21, 2026

Where: Cleveland, OH

Scholarship Opportunity (Secondary Partners):

NACEP is offering [five scholarships](#) that include:

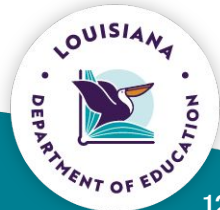
- Conference registration
- One pre-conference session (Oct. 18)
- Two-night hotel stay

Eligibility: Secondary school/district staff (high schools, career centers, or consortia)

Deadline to Apply: May 25, 2026

Notification: Mid-June 2026

Please contact fastforward@la.gov with questions.

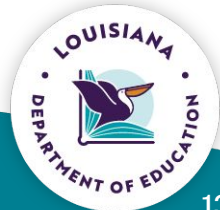


2026 ACTE CareerTech VISION Conference

[Registration](#) is open for the 2026 ACTE Vision Conference. This event unites CTE professionals, educators, business leaders and industry experts from around the world. Sessions are tailored to meet the needs of professional across all CTE disciplines, providing fresh insights and timely discussions on high-quality secondary and post-secondary CTE.

- **When:** December 2 - 5
- **Where:** New Orleans, LA; Morial Convention Center
- **Cost:** Registration \$590 - \$880

Please contact fastforward@la.gov with questions.



ACT Counselor Summer Webinar Series

Registration is open for the ACT Counselor Summer Webinar Series. The webinar series is designed to support work with students at every stage of the college and career journey. The webinar will take place on July 22 -23 with the following sessions to choose from:

- Understanding the ACT: Foundations and Tools for Student Success
- Strengthening Counselor/Administrator Collaboration for Student Success
- Increasing College Application Completion with ACAC
- Supporting First-Generation and Underserved Students.

Please contact fastforward@la.gov with questions.

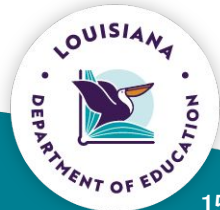


Counselor Summer Institute Webinar Series

[Registration](#) is open for the Counselor Summer Institute Webinar Series, hosted by the College Board. This event will bring together leading voices in higher education and counseling to help navigate the busiest season of college admissions. The webinar will take place on July 28 -30 with sessions topics around:

- AI tools for counseling, advising, and student planning
- College admissions, affordability, and the changing higher education landscape
- Expanding access for rural and small-town communities
- Counselor renewal, wellness, and sustainability

Please contact fastforward@la.gov with questions.



Fast Forward Registered Apprenticeship

Work-Based Learning Guidelines

Fast Forward Registered Apprenticeship Aligned OJT

- 890002 Fast Forward On-the-Job Training 1 (4 credits)
- 890013 Fast Forward On-the-Job Training 2 (4 credits)
- 890014 Fast Forward On-the-Job Training 3 (4 credits)
- 890015 Fast Forward On-the-Job Training 4 (4 credits)
- 890016 Fast Forward On-the-Job Training 5 (4 credits)
- 890017 Fast Forward On-the-Job Training 6 (4 credits)
- 890018 Fast Forward On-the-Job Training 7 (4 credits)
- 890019 Fast Forward On-the-Job Training 8 (4 credits)

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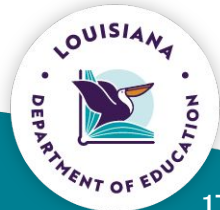


NCCER Teacher Training

To get a new teacher certified to teach NCCER Core/craft email the following information to bonnie.lefort@la.gov

- Teacher Name
- Parish Name
- High School Name
- New Teacher's NCCER #
- New Teacher's Resume (detailing a minimum of 4 years of actual craft experience)

Please contact fastforward@la.gov with questions.



Safe and Healthy Schools

Stephen Guccione, Executive Director



Louisiana School Safety Summit

- **Date:** July 7–8
- **Location:** Lake Charles Event Center 900 Lakeshore Drive, Lake Charles, LA
- **Registration: Free**
 - [2026 School Safety Summit](#)
- The Safety Summit is designed for school professionals and stakeholders involved in emergency response, including Emergency Response Coordinators, Administrators, Mental Health Professionals, and School Resource Officers.

Please email Safeschools@la.gov with questions.



2025-2026 Mental Health Screening Annual Report

[Act 504](#) of the 2025 Regular Legislative Session requires that each public schools to offer a mental health assessment to certain students as the beginning of each school year. Each public school shall annually report at the end of the school year to the state Department of Education, the number of screenings administered to students, by grade level, including grades 3 through 12, under its jurisdiction.

Each public school principal or designee, please complete the [survey](#) by June 30.

Please contact healthschools@la.gov with questions.



2025-2026 Behavioral Health Screening Annual Report

[Act 324](#) of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session requires school systems to report annually to the state Department of Education, the number of students having behavioral or emotional challenges, the number of students for whom a conference was scheduled, and the number of students referred for supportive services.

Each School Systems Superintendents, please complete the [survey](#) by June 30.

Please contact Healthyschools@la.gov with questions.



Awards/Recognition



Purple Star School

This award shows recognition to schools that show a major commitment to serving students and families connected to the United States Armed Forces.

To earn the recognition, schools shall engage in the following activities:

- Designate a staff member to serve as a military liaison and engage in the following:
- Serve as the primary point of contact for military connected students and families
- Work to identify special considerations needed by military-connected students and families
- Develop training to inform teachers and other school personnel of those special considerations
- Create a dedicated page on its website featuring resources for military-connected students and families
- Create a student-led transition program to provide peer support for military-connected students

Other criteria and information can be found by visiting the [LDOE Awards page](#).



Please contact highschoolacademics@la.gov with questions.



Teacher Leader Summit 2026: Session Highlights



TLS Sessions: Fast Forward



Session Title: Changing the "College vs CTE" Mindset

Session Description: Career and Technical Education (CTE) is often viewed as a “lesser” pathway compared to a traditional university degree. This mindset not only undervalues CTE but also limits students' opportunities to pursue careers that match their skills, interests, and the needs of today’s workforce. This session will highlight that CTE and university pathways are complementary, not in competition, and can both lead to success, emphasizing to the audience that there are multiple paths to success.

Presented by: Moderated Panel

TLS Sessions: Apprenticeship



Session Title: Apprenticeships 101

Session Description: This session will focus on the basics of Registered Apprenticeships (RA). An effective RA provides districts with opportunities to enhance workforce development and bolster the local economy. From soliciting business partners to navigating Louisiana Works (formerly Louisiana Workforce Commission), the participant can expect to gain a broader understanding of RA to begin building a program that meets their specific needs.

Presented by: Moderated Panel

TLS Sessions: Safe and Healthy Schools



Session Title: Enhancing School Safety: Collaboration and Best Practices

Session Description: Ensuring the safety of students and staff is a top priority for every school leader. This professional development session is designed for administrators who play a critical role in shaping, implementing, and sustaining effective school safety systems. Participants will explore best practices in safety planning, crisis prevention, and emergency response, with an emphasis on collaboration across departments and community partnerships. Through case studies, policy reviews, and guided discussions, administrators will strengthen their capacity to lead proactive, data-informed safety initiatives that protect and empower their school communities. This session will be delivered in two parts (A and B) to cover all material.

Presented by: Stephen Guccione, et. al.



TLS Sessions: Alternative Education



Session Title: Exemplary Alternative Education Schools and Programs

Session Description: Exemplary alternative education develops a guiding mission and purpose that drives the overall operation of the alternative education site. All stakeholders contribute to the development, implementation, direction, and maintenance of the mission and purpose. During this session, participants will engage with a panel of district and site-based leaders who are experienced in gaining buy-in for the mission and purpose, and earn the designation of exemplar alternative education sites.

Presented by: Moderated Panel

Connect with Our Office



Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Calls

Alternative Education	No Calls for June or July
Office of Career and College Readiness	<u>July 16 at 3 p.m.</u>
Safe and Healthy Schools	<u>July 23 at 2 p.m.</u>

Contact highschoolacademics@la.gov with questions.



Helpful Information

Schedules, access links and information for the Department's webinars can be found in the [LDOE Weekly Newsletter](#) and [School System Support Calendar](#). Please reach out to the following contacts with questions:

Graduation Requirements; Dual Enrollment; Advanced Placement; General Information	highschoolacademics@la.gov
Fast Forward/Jump Start 2.0	fastforward@la.gov
Course Choice / SCA	coursechoice@la.gov
Healthy Schools	healthyschools@la.gov
Pupil Progression Plans	PPP@la.gov

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Questions?

