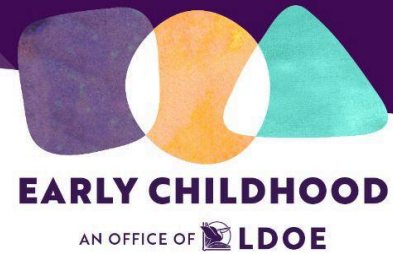


Early Childhood Newsletter



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Water Play and Water Safety

Summer in Louisiana often means more opportunities for children to enjoy water play. Whether children are exploring water tables, running through sprinklers, or participating in other supervised water experiences, water play can provide valuable opportunities for sensory exploration, language development, scientific discovery, and physical activity.

As programs plan engaging summer experiences, it is important to remember the distinction between water play activities and water activities outlined in [Bulletin 137](#). *Water play activities* include experiences in which there is no standing water such as sprinklers, fountains, slip-and-slides, and water tables. *Water activities* involve children being in, on, near, or immersed in a body of water, such as swimming pools, wading pools, water parks, lakes, rivers, or beaches.



To help keep children safe, providers should review [Bulletin 137](#) §1913 and ensure the following requirements are met:

- Obtain written parental authorization before a child participates in any water activity or water play activity.
- Children under age three shall not engage in water activities due to the risk of contamination and disease.
- The use of saunas, spas, and hot tubs is prohibited.
- Swimming, wading, and boating are prohibited in lakes, ponds, and similar bodies of water.
- Maintain written procedures describing how staff will account for children and ensure their safety during water activities.
- When children use a pool or other body of water deeper than two feet, a certified lifeguard must be present and supervising.
 - Maintain documentation of the lifeguard's current certification for both on-site and off-site water activities.
- Ensure at least two staff members supervising swimming, wading, or other water activities are certified in infant, child, and adult CPR and pediatric first aid.
- Provide active supervision at all times during water activities and water play activities. Staff should remain attentive, position themselves so all children are visible, and avoid distractions while supervising children near water.
 - A minimum of two staff shall be present when children are engaged in water activities.
 - The minimum child to staff ratio applies when children are engaged in water activities:
 - 20:2 for children ages 3 years old
 - 25:2 for children ages 4 years old
 - 30:2 for children ages 5 years and older

Water play can be a fun and enriching part of summer learning when safety remains the top priority. Taking time to review procedures, supervision plans, and required documentation helps ensure that children can safely enjoy these

experiences throughout the season.

Licensed centers should contact their [Licensing Consultant](#) with questions.

Upcoming Events

- July 13: [EdLink New User Account Setup and Access Webinar](#)
- July 14: [Monthly CNLA Update Webinar](#)
- July 15: [Active Coaching Office Hours](#)
- July 20: [EdLink New User Account Set-up and Access Webinar](#)
- July 21: [Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Webinar](#)
- July 22: [KinderSystems CenterTrack Webinar](#)
- July 23: [Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Webinar](#)
- July 27: [EdLink New User Account Set-up and Access Webinar](#)
- July 28: [Young Children with Disabilities Community of Practice](#)
- July 29: [Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Webinar](#)
- July 30: [Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Office Hours](#)
- July 31: [New Director Office Hours](#)
- August 3: [Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Office Hours](#)
- August 12: [Monthly FCC Office Hours](#)
- August 20: [CCAP Monthly Call for Providers](#)
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UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW: Early Childhood Provider Update Webinar

The LDOE hosts monthly webinars for early childhood providers. These webinars include essential reminders and updates for all provider types.

Providers can access the August Provider Update Webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** August 6 at 1 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93597745872>
- **Meeting ID:** 935 9774 5872
- **Passcode:** 641464

Past webinar slides can be located on the [Quality Providers Resources](#) webpage under “Early Childhood Provider Webinars.”

For more information, please contact earlychildhood@la.gov.

NEW: Early Childhood Active Coaching Office Hours

The July webinar topic is “*Strengthening Teacher Accountability Through Intentional CLASS® Practices.*” Participants will examine effective methods for integrating intentional CLASS® practices into daily instruction to promote teacher accountability and continuous improvement.

All early learning providers are welcome to attend. Providers can access the upcoming webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** July 15 at 1 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/98038985498>
- **Meeting ID:** 980 3898 5498

- **Passcode:** 989833

For more information, please contact earlychildhood@la.gov.

NEW: KinderSystems July Webinar

Learn about CenterTrack, a Child Care Management System (CCMS) free to Louisiana child care providers! Interested participants can access the webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** July 22 at 12 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** [CenterTrack Webinar](#)
- **Webinar ID:** 160 165 2409

Please note that attendees need to register for the webinar prior to attending. Please email SupportLA@KinderSystems.com with questions.

NEW: Young Children with Disabilities (YCWD) Community of Practice Webinar

The LDOE hosts monthly webinars for early childhood special education administrators and educators. These webinars include professional development and updates regarding young children with disabilities in early childhood settings.

Providers can access the July YCWD Community of Practice Webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** July 28 at 3 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/99301224453>
- **Meeting ID:** 993 0122 4453
- **Passcode:** 497464

For more information, please contact Emily.Coussou@la.gov.

NEW: Office Hours for New Directors

The LDOE team hosts New Director Office Hours focused on sharing information about early childhood quality and operations while also expanding new directors' peer networking.

This month's topic is "Supporting Children with Challenging Behaviors." Interested participants can access the webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** July 31 at 12 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/98824530491>
- **Meeting ID:** 988 2453 0491
- **Passcode:** 760909

For more information, please contact Tella.Henderson@la.gov.

NEW: EdLink New User Account Setup and Access Webinar

These webinar sessions are to assist providers with setting up EdLink user accounts, securing access to sites, and addressing other EdLink OPS requests. Interested participants can access the webinar using the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** Mondays May - July 2026 at 10 a.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93164206416>
- **Meeting ID:** 931 6420 6416

For any questions, please submit a [support ticket](#) and an EdLink Support Team Member will address your issues.

NEW: Family Child Care (FCC) Office Hours

Current Academically-Approved FCC providers are encouraged to join monthly office hours. This is a dedicated time to check in, ask questions, and receive new information.

- **Webinar Date/Time:** August 12 at 1 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93029152858>
- **Meeting ID:** 930 2915 2858

For more information, please contact Brandee.David@la.gov.

NEW: CCAP Monthly Provider Call

CCAP hosts a monthly call for all certified providers, sharing CCAP updates and reminders about requirements for providers and families. Providers can access the August call via the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** August 20 at 1 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** [CCAP Monthly Call for Providers](#)
- **Meeting ID:** 939 7378 5023
- **Passcode:** 082226

For more information, please contact the Provider Help Desk at 225-250-7635 or 225-614-5917.

NEW: CCAP New Provider Training

CCAP hosts a monthly training for all newly-certified providers. The training gives providers essential tools and resources that support them in their new role as a certified provider. The training can be accessed via the information below:

- **Webinar Date/Time:** August 27 at 1 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** [CCAP New Provider Training](#)
- **Meeting ID:** 973 3264 6864

For more information, please contact the Provider Help Desk at 225-250-7635 or 225-614-5917.

UPDATES FOR ACADEMICS, FUNDING, AND ENROLLMENT

NEW: Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Webinar

The LDOE is hosting three Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Webinars to review important updates that launched on July 6 in the platform.

Providers can access the Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Webinars using the information below:

July 21 at 3 p.m. Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/4418921159 Meeting ID: 441 892 1159	July 23 at 12 p.m. Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/4418921159 Meeting ID: 441 892 1159	July 29 at 9 a.m. Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/4418921159 Meeting ID: 441 892 1159
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The LDOE will also be hosting two additional optional office hours to provide technical assistance and support. Providers can access the Teaching Strategies® GOLD Platform Update Office Hours using the information below:

July 30 at 3 p.m. Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/4418921159 Meeting ID: 441 892 1159	August 3 at 10 a.m. Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/4418921159 Meeting ID: 441 892 1159
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For more information, please contact Emily.Coussou@la.gov.

NEW: Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) State Fiscal Year Closeout: Payment Schedule

As in prior years, due to the closeout of the 2026 state fiscal year (which ended June 30, 2026), CCAP providers received the final payment for the current fiscal year the week of June 22 for the service week of June 29-July 3, 2026.

After July 1, 2026, B-3 and Voucher payments will be combined into a single payment run. The anticipated payment schedule for the beginning of the new fiscal year is as follows:

- July 6, 2026: Providers will receive combined B-3 and Voucher payments for services provided during the week of July 6-10, 2026.
- July 7, 2026: Providers will receive combined B-3 and Voucher payments for services provided during the week of July 13-17, 2026.

For additional assistance, contact the Provider Help Desk at 225-250-7635 or 225-614-5917.

NEW: Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) Client Redeterminations

It is the client's (e.g., parent's) responsibility to submit their recertification application and all supporting verifications **before** their CCAP certification ends.

The LDOE ensures clients receive a Redetermination Notice 45 days **before** their certification ends. It is the client's responsibility to remember their CCAP certification end date.

- Clients should plan to submit their Redetermination application and all verifications by the end of the previous month **before** their certification ends.
- Clients must ensure the LDOE has their current contact information. Additional information may be required to continue processing their renewal application. Clients may submit a CCAP 10 Report of Changes form to report changes in contact information for their household.
 - If additional information is required, the parent must ensure it is submitted by the stated deadline on the CCAP Notice or their case will close. If child care is still needed, the parent will have to reapply, and if eligible, be placed on the Wait List.

As a courtesy, providers also receive a Redetermination Notice 45 days before their families' certification ends. Providers may assist families with remembering their certification end date by creating a calendar reminder noting the certification period for each family enrolled and alerting the family when it is time to renew their certification.

For additional assistance, contact the Provider Help Desk at 225-250-7635 or 225-614-5917.

REMINDER: Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) New Provider Agreement

CCAP Provider Certification will soon release a New Provider Agreement for all certified providers to review and sign. Changes in the new agreement will ensure providers remain in compliance with CCAP requirements at the federal and state levels and with *Bulletin 139 – Louisiana Child Care and Development Fund Programs*, which governs the child care program:

- Providers will receive an email from EdLink directing them to thoroughly read and sign the new agreement.
- Due to the updated information, the Provider Agreement will be a separate document to review apart from the annual certification renewal.
- Failure to review and sign the Provider Agreement timely may result in CCAP ineligibility as a certified provider.

For additional assistance, contact Provider Certification via email at ProviderCertification@la.gov.

REMINDER: Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) Provider Certification Changes

When providers plan a change in their daily operations, providers must notify CCAP Provider Certification in advance of the change. Notifying Provider Certification prior to the change will allow timely closure of the center/home, prevent additional payments to the provider that have to be recouped, and allow families time to locate and continue child care services with a provider of their choice.

Per *Bulletin 139* §305.7, providers should do the following:

Provide written notice to Provider Certification and input updates in the designated LDOE portal, of receipt or notice of, or upon becoming aware of, any of the following:

- a. change in contact information, within 10 calendar days
- b. temporary closure of more than five calendar days
- c. permanent closure of 30 or more calendar days of a site, within seven calendar days of the closure
- d. change of location, prior to the change and
- e. family child care providers and in-home providers shall provide updates on changes in residential household compositions, prior to the change

Changes and questions can be submitted to ProviderCertification@la.gov.

REMINDER: Early Childhood Literacy Initiative - Early Childhood Curriculum Funding, Reviews, and Updates to the Tier I Early Childhood Curriculum List

The LDOE allocated funding for new infant, toddler, and pre-k curriculum purchases.

- For school-based Pre-K classrooms, this funding opportunity **EC_CURR_IDEA (public school Pre-K)** and **EC_SOR_IDEA (public school Pre-K SOR stipends)** to purchase materials runs to September 30, 2026.

- For child care classrooms this funding opportunity ran from February 1 - June 30. All materials should have been received by June 30; CCR&Rs must have submitted documentation through eGMS for payment from the LDOE by July 5.

Funding can be used to provide the following:

- **Curriculum Allocation:** The curriculum allocation will be used to purchase newly-rated high-quality instructional materials (rated as Tier I) that align to the updated [Early Learning and Development Standards](#) and LDOE IMR review processes. The newly-rated Tier I curriculum list is being populated as reviews are completed and can be located on the [IMR webpage](#) “Early Childhood Instructional Materials” dropdown.
 - Currently, four curricula have completed the IMR process and have been approved as Tier I:
 - Great Minds PBC - Eureka Math Squared, Level PK - ECE, Ages 4-5
 - Frog Street Press, LLC-Frog Street Infant: Joyful Beginnings, Louisiana
 - Frog Street Press, LLC - Frog Street Preschool Louisiana, Threes
 - Frog Street Press, LLC - Frog Street Pre-K Louisiana, ECE Ages 4-5

Please note: The newly-approved Frog Street curriculum now has “Louisiana” in the title. All previous versions will be archived.
 - Currently, one curriculum has completed the IMR process and has been rated as Tier 3:
 - No Tears Learning, Inc. Learning Without Tears–Get Set for School Pre-K Program (2021), Ages 4-5
 - Currently, six curricula are in the review stage of the IMR process. Those currently in review include the following:
 - Teacher Created Materials, Inc. Explore & Learn
 - AppleTree Institute for Education Innovation–Every Child Ready, Pre-K 3-4 (2024)
 - Teaching Strategies, LLC - The Creative Curriculum for Pre-K (2024)
 - Teaching Strategies, LLC - The Creative Curriculum for Preschool (2026)
 - Teaching Strategies, LLC - The Creative Curriculum for Toddlers (2024)
 - Teaching Strategies, LLC - The Creative Curriculum for Infants (2024)
 - Additional curricula reviewed and currently being updated include the following:
 - CELEBRATE Successful Early Learning-FOUNDATIONS, Ages 3-4 (2022)-Under Construction
- **Science of Reading (SoR) Training Stipend Allocation (available for district-employed pre-K teachers, through CNLAs):** The SoR Training stipend allocation will be used to provide LDOE-created SoR training to support early identification and interventions, including for teachers of young children with disabilities who teach pre-K.
 - This portion of the allocation offered through CNLAs to school-based pre-K educators will fund \$250 stipends for the completion of 3 LDOE Science of Reading pre-K modules through the LDOE Canopy platform.
 - The Early Childhood *Science and Art of Reading* professional learning series aims to equip educators with a shared understanding of the knowledge and skills needed to implement scientifically-based literacy instruction. This professional development series is housed in the LDOE’s [Louisiana Professional Learning Platform](#). The course code is **C100N1N9**.
 - **Please note:** Funding for SoR training stipends for publicly funded child care center teachers, Early Head Start/Head Start teachers, Family Child Care educators with Academic Approval, and NSECD teachers is available through the PDG Consolidated funding application through the PDG Literacy allocation that was approved by BESE during the April meeting.

Please reach out to LouisianaCurriculumReview@la.gov with questions related to the instructional materials reviews. For all other questions, including those related to funding, purchases, and newly-rated curriculum, please reach out to earlychildhood@la.gov.

UPDATES FOR LICENSED CENTERS

Reminder: Summer Sun and Playground Safety Tips

As summer approaches, here are a few tips to keep children safe during the warmer months:

- Staff members should ensure children are protected from the sun and hot surfaces between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- Staff members are strongly encouraged to closely monitor children while on the playground to ensure shoes are being worn
- Limit sun exposure between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. when there is a heat index at or above 90°F
- Use play areas that have shade
- Check temperatures of and around playground equipment, including
 - metal swings and slides
 - rubber and plastic material
 - concrete and pea gravel surfaces
- Encourage families to dress children in cool clothing
- Apply sunscreen at least 30 minutes before going outdoors
- Hold regularly-scheduled water breaks

Please contact your [Licensing Consultant](#) with questions.

Reminder: Staff Records and Personnel Files

[Bulletin 137](#) now requires that the following information be maintained in the LDOE electronic system, EdLink:

- All current staff names
 - *Note: When employees leave, please update employees to “inactive” status in EdLink.*
- Hire date
- First day onsite working with children
- Initial and annual mandatory reporter training documentation

Please contact your [Licensing Consultant](#) with questions.

Reminder: Motor Vehicle Checks

As temperatures rise outside, it is imperative that vehicles are adequately inspected for children before staff exit the vehicle. A staff person must physically walk through the vehicle and inspect the following:

- all seat surfaces
- under all seats
- all enclosed spaces and recesses of the vehicle interior

For field trips, each vehicle must have a face-to-name count conducted in addition to the visual passenger check at the following times:

- prior to leaving the center for the destination
- upon arrival at and prior to departure from each destination
- upon return to the center

A staff member must record the time of the visual passenger check and sign the log indicating that no child was left in the vehicle.

Please contact your [Licensing Consultant](#) with questions.

UPDATES FOR LICENSED CENTERS, FAMILY CHILD CARE, AND IN-HOME PROVIDERS

NEW: Louisiana’s Get a Swim Plan

On behalf of Governor Jeff Landry, the Louisiana Children's Cabinet, the Louisiana Children's Trust Fund (LCTF), the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), the Office of Public Health (OPH), the Governor's Office of Disability Affairs, and Partners for Family Health Louisiana, the LDOE is pleased to share Louisiana's statewide **Get a Swim Plan** Water Safety Campaign.

The campaign's [Water Safety Toolkit](#) provides a variety of resources to help educate and promote water safety among families, caregivers, educators, community organizations, and other stakeholders across your networks. The toolkit includes the following:

- Water safety educational materials
- Social media graphics and messaging
- Water Watcher resources
- Drowning prevention information and infographics
- Life jacket safety materials
- Parent and caregiver supervision resources
- Emergency preparedness and CPR awareness information
- Community outreach tools and promotional materials

The Department encourages you to share these resources throughout your communities to help raise awareness and prevent water-related injuries and fatalities.

NEW: Child Care Criminal Background Check (CCCBC) System Update: Multi-Factor Authentication Feature

To further strengthen CCCBC system security and protect user accounts, the LDOE has implemented Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) into the CCCBC System. MFA adds an additional layer of protection, beyond the traditional username and password, by requiring a second verification step during login. This significantly reduces the risk of unauthorized access, even if a password is compromised.

Users can choose one of the following authentication methods:

- For email verification, a 6-digit verification code will be sent to the registered email address: users should input the code within 10 minutes to complete the login process.
- Alternatively, users may use any compatible Authenticator App, including Microsoft Authenticator, Google Authenticator, Authy, 2FAS, or Aegis. Setup requires scanning a QR code, after which the app will generate a 6-digit verification code for login authentication.

When logging in for the first time since this change has been made, enter a username and password as usual. The system will then prompt users to configure MFA by selecting a preferred verification method, via either email or an authenticator app, as described above. Complete the setup process to secure the account for future access.

For all subsequent logins after setup, simply enter a username and password followed by the verification code from the chosen method. This additional step ensures secure system access.

MFA is mandatory for applicable users, and access to the system will not be granted until setup and verification are completed. Please note that verification codes are time-limited and single-use only. Never share the verification code with anyone.

If selecting MFA via email and the email verification code is not received, check the email address Spam or Junk folder or request a new code after a few moments. Should an authenticator code not work, ensure mobile device date and time settings are set to update automatically or try the next generated code.

Users can reset MFA preferences from the Account Details page while logged in to the CCCBC system.

Please contact LDECCCBCprocessing@la.gov with questions.

NEW: Ensuring Accurate Position Selection on the CCCBC Application

Ensuring accuracy when selecting the position type on the Child Care Criminal Background Check is paramount for all child care providers. This is a critical step that directly impacts the validity and processing of background checks for personnel. If an employee's official title, as recognized by the facility, includes the designation "owner," then the highest possible position level on the CCCBC application must be selected. This directive applies universally, regardless of the specific provider type under which the facility operates.

Owners are subject to fraud-related prohibitions and criminal restrictions as outlined in [R.S. 15:587.1\(C\)](#), including equivalent offenses from other jurisdictions. Specifically, owners must not have been convicted of, or plead guilty or nolo contendere to, any fraud-related felonies within the preceding 10 years under the following statutes: 18 U.S.C. 287 and 1341 and Louisiana Revised Statutes 14:67.11, 14:68.2, 14:70.1, 14:70.4, 14:70.5, 14:70.7, 14:70.8, 14:71, 14:71.1, 14:71.3, 14:72, 14:72.1.1, 14:72.4, 14:73.5, and 14:133.

If an individual's role within a child care facility changes to include "owner" after an initial CCCBC application has been submitted, the application will no longer be valid for compliance requirements. In these cases, a new CCCBC application must be submitted. This ensures the background check accurately corresponds to the appropriate level of eligibility for child care.

Please contact LDECCBCprocessing@la.gov for CCCBC-related questions.

REMINDER: Child Neglect and Abuse Mandatory Reporter Training

[Article 603.1](#) of Louisiana law requires all child care staff to complete the online Mandated Reporter Training course provided by the Department of Children and Family Services between June 1 and August 31 annually:

- This means that after initial completion of training at time of hire for any staff hired between September 1 and May 31 of each year, those staff members shall again complete the online child abuse and neglect Mandated Reporter Training provided by DCFS between June 1 and August 31 of the calendar year.

[Bulletin 137](#) §1727 notes that documentation of the completed Child Neglect and Abuse Mandatory Reporter training course must be submitted by providers, for all staff, in the LDOE electronic system, EdLink, no later than September 30 of each calendar year.

- Please note: Act 409 (2025) requires the LDOE to publish on its website the completion rates of all child care staff at each early learning site who have and have not complied with this training requirement within the specified timeframe.

Documentation of the completed training must also be available for on-site inspection by Licensing staff, whether as hard copies or in electronic form.

Please contact your [Licensing Consultant](#) with questions.

REMINDER: USDA Rule Expands Milk Options for Children

The USDA has published a final rule that gives food program participants more flexibility in the milk that can be offered to children participating in federal nutrition programs. The new rule was effective beginning June 8, 2026.

What is the change?

Food program participants can now offer 1% (reduced-fat), 2% (reduced-fat), or whole milk to child participants who are two years of age and older. The goal of this change is to give providers more options while still meeting nutritional standards for children. Historically, serving the incorrect type of milk has been a common error identified during compliance monitoring, and this flexibility aims to support better program integrity and participant satisfaction.

The final rule is as follows:

- Fluid milk served to children 1-year-old must be unflavored whole milk
- Fluid milk served to children 2 through 5-years-old may be unflavored whole, reduced-fat, low-fat, or fat-free milk and
- Fluid milk served to children 6 years and older and adult participants may be unflavored or flavored, whole, reduced-fat, low-fat, or fat-free milk

KidKare will be updated to handle the new USDA fluid milk rule that took effect June 8, 2026, and the changes will apply automatically based on the date of service. No action is required on the part of providers in order to remain compliant.

Please note that anything centers and homes are serving today will continue to be creditable on and after June 8:

- The expanded options (whole milk and 2% for ages 2–5, and flavored milks for ages 6+) will be available in KidKare for any operators who want to use them.
- Prior claims will continue to be evaluated under the rule in effect on the meal date — no retroactive impact.
- Substitute milk and special-diet workflows are unchanged.

For more information, please contact childnutritionprograms@la.gov or call (225) 342-3707.

CONTACT US



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- For questions regarding the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), please contact the LDECCAP@la.gov.
- For all questions regarding Child Care Criminal Background Check processing, please contact LDEccbcprocessing@la.gov.
- For all other questions regarding early childhood, please contact earlychildhood@la.gov.
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