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Important Dates for School Systems

Office Hours and Monthly Calls

- Attendance Monthly Call: <u>June 5 at 8 a.m.</u>
- BESE-Authorized Charter Monthly Call: <u>June 12 at 9 a.m.</u>
- Certification Monthly Call: June 16 at 10:30 a.m.
- Assessment and Accountability Monthly Call: <u>June 17 at 3 p.m.</u>
- School Systems Financial Services Monthly Call: June 18 at 2 p.m.
- Preparation Provider Monthly Call: June 25 at 10 a.m.
- Federal Support and Grantee Relations (FSGR) Monthly Call: June 26 at 10 a.m.
- Principal's Monthly Webinar: June 30 at 1 p.m.
- Attendance Monthly Call: July 3 at 8 a.m.
- Diverse Learners Office Hours: July 8 at 2 p.m.
- Local Authorizer Monthly Call: July 9 at 11 a.m.
- Federal Support and Grantee Relations (FSGR) Monthly Call: July 17 at 10 a.m.
- Career and College Readiness Monthly Call: <u>July 17 at 3 p.m.</u>

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

- 2025 Teacher Leader Summit, New Orleans: June 10-12
- Novice Principal Academy Application Deadline: July 7
- Special Education Parent Summit, Baton Rouge: <u>July 21</u>
- Principal Bootcamp Application Deadline: September 8

Teaching and Learning

System Leader Regional Collaboration Registration

Please share with system leaders.

Registration is now open for the 2024-2025 <u>System Leader Regional Collaborations</u>. Each system is asked to have representation in each pathway. The learning pathways and intended participants are:

- Instructional Coherence: CAOs, Supervisors of Instruction, PD Directors, SPED Directors
- Leadership Capacity Building: Principal Supervisors/Evaluators
- System Coherence: Superintendents, Assistant Superintendents

- Attendance: Child Welfare and Attendance Supervisors, Student Services Leaders
- **High School Opportunities:** Career and Technical Education Supervisors
- Business Managers Collaboration: Business Managers

Please refer to the <u>System Leader Regional Collaborations Overview</u> for complete pathway descriptions, dates, locations, and registration information.

Please contact <u>SSIsupport@la.gov</u> with questions.

2025-2026 School Support Institutes Registration

Please share with principals and system leaders.

Registration is open until July 1 for School Support Institutes 2025-2026. Principals of CIR schools should register themselves and two additional ILT members. System leaders who support CIR schools and/or supervise principals of attending schools are encouraged to attend SSI with their school teams. Session dates, locations, cohort assignments, and registration information can be found on the School Support Institutes overview document.

Please contact SSIsupport@la.gov with questions.

Educator Talent and Workforce Development

Recruitment and Retention Fellowship Application Now Open

Please share with principals and system leaders.

The <u>Recruitment and Retention Fellowship Application</u> is now open. This year-long fellowship is designed specifically for Human Resources leaders. It offers support for attracting, supporting, and retaining effective educators in their systems. Participants will share innovative solutions, collaborate with fellow HR leaders, and build a long-term network focused on securing a highly effective workforce.

Additional information can be found in the Recruitment and Retention Overview document.

Please contact louisianaleaders@la.gov with questions.

Mentor Teacher Waiver Portal Closing

Please share with principals and system leaders.

The 2024-2025 Mentor Credential Waiver Portal and the 2024-2025 Alternate Mentor Credential Waiver Portal will close on June 12. To ensure proper certification and funding, please make sure all applications have been submitted and proper notification of those approvals has been received.

The 2025-2026 Mentor Credential Waiver Portal and the Alternate Mentor Credential Waiver Portal are scheduled to open in early August.

Please contact laurie.carlton@la.gov with questions.

Teacher Leader Summit

Teacher Leader Summit Session: Things to Know Before You Go

Please share with educators, school leaders, and system administration.

Teacher Leader Summit 2025 is almost here! Please take a moment to review the <u>Know Before You Go</u> document for essential information, including directions to the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, parking details, event check-in procedures, and other key updates.

Please contact ldoeevents@la.gov with questions.

School Choice

Charter Schools

BESE-Authorized Charter Monthly Call

Please share with BESE school leaders.

- Webinar Date and Time: June 12 at 9 a.m.
- Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/i/98262911767?pwd=WHc3ODNqcHU1amc5cnhGUk91aEVhZz09#success

Please contact charters@la.gov with questions.

2025 Mid-Year RFA Application Cycle for Type 2 & 4 Charters

Please share with school and system leaders.

The 2025 Mid-Year RFA Application Cycle for Type 2 and 4 Charters that are slated to open in August 2026 will begin on June 11. Applicants must meet the eligibility requirements listed in <u>LA Bulletin 126, §503</u>.

All applications should be submitted via email to charters@la.gov by 5 p.m. on the date due.

The application deadlines are:

- June 30: Letter of Intent Due
- July 7: Eligibility Determination Forms Due
- July 18: Full Application Due

Applicants must meet each of the listed deadlines to be permitted to move to the next component of the application cycle. Type 2 and 4 applications for new charter schools will be considered during the December 9 BESE meeting.

Please contact charters@la.gov with questions.

School System Financial Services

High-Dosage Tutoring Allocations

Please share with business managers and financial officials.

High-Dosage Tutoring allocations were remitted to school systems as a direct payment during FY 2025. School systems should expend the amount within the year of the allocation; however, should unforeseen circumstances cause remaining balances to exist, these funds should be reserved as fund balance and dedicated to providing tutoring services to students during FY 2026.

School systems that do not exhaust their full FY 2025 allocation will receive a reduced allocation for FY 2026. Projected Award notification for FY 2026 High-Dosage Tutoring allocations will be released within the next few weeks. Final award amounts will be released pending legislative appropriation and board approval in August 2025.

Systems should develop plans for tutoring initiatives, using the projected amount. Upon approval of the tutoring plan submitted in eGMS (due September 15), funding will be provided to school systems. To support the planning process, please reference the <u>25-26 Accelerate</u>: <u>High-Dosage Tutoring Workbook</u>.

Please contact schoolfinancehelpdesk@la.gov with questions.

School System Relations

2025 School Support, Health Provider, and Physical Activity Award Overall Honorees Please share with school leaders and school system leaders.

The LDOE is pleased to announce the <u>Outstanding School Support Employee of the Year</u>, the <u>School Health Provider of the Year</u>, and the <u>School Physical Activity Award</u> honorees. These outstanding honorees are making remarkable strides in their schools and communities, demonstrating an unwavering commitment to student success and well-being. Their efforts exemplify the very best of Louisiana's education system.

All honorees will be formally recognized at the monthly BESE meeting in Baton Rouge on June 3, followed by a special celebration at the Old State Capitol. Congratulations to these exceptional educator stakeholders!

Please contact excellenteducators@la.gov with questions.

Assessments, Accountability, and Analytics

Updating School System Superintendent/Chief Administrator

Please share with district security coordinators and school system administration.

When there is a School System Superintendent or Chief Administrator change, the district's security coordinator must submit the School System Superintendent/Chief Administrator Attestation Jotform.

After the form is submitted, an email will be sent to the individual listed as the new Superintendent/Chief Administrator with instructions to confirm the attestation. Once the attestation is confirmed, the LDOE will verify.

Following verification by an LDOE representative, relevant LDOE Offices and Program Teams will be notified, and data systems such as Sponsor Site will be updated to reflect the change.

Please contact LDEData@la.gov with questions.