

LDOE Weekly Newsletter: June 2, 2026

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Important Dates for School Systems

Office Hours and Monthly Calls

- Attendance Monthly Call: [June 4 at 8 a.m.](#)
- Assessment and Accountability Office Call: [June 9 at 3 p.m.](#)
- Local Authorizer Monthly Call: [June 10 at 11 a.m.](#)
- BESE Authorized Monthly Call: [June 11 at 9 a.m.](#)
- Certification Monthly Call: [June 15 at 10:30 a.m.](#)
- School System Financial Services Monthly Call: [June 17 at 2 p.m.](#)
- Attendance Office Hours: [June 18 at 8:30 a.m.](#)
- Federal Support and Grantee Relations Monthly Call: [June 18 at 10 a.m.](#)
- Preparation Provider Monthly Call: [June 24 at 10 a.m.](#)
- Nutrition Support Monthly Call: [July 7 at 1 p.m.](#)

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

- 2026 Mid-Year RFA Informational Session Option 3: [June 3 at 9 a.m.](#)
- Mental Health in Schools Survey Deadline: [June 30](#)
- Behavioral Health in Schools Survey Deadline: [June 30](#)

View our [School System Support Calendar](#) for the full schedule.

Operations and Federal Programs

Attendance

Super App 2026-2027 Attendance Funding Expectations

Please share with child welfare and attendance leaders, federal programs directors, and business managers.

LEAs that received 2026-2027 Super App Attendance Funding should hire attendance-focused personnel prior to the start of the 2026-2027 academic year. The [sample Attendance Improvement Specialist job description](#) may be used to facilitate the hiring process. Additionally, systems should have at least one representative plan to attend the virtual orientation meeting detailed below.

2026-2027 Attendance Funding Virtual Orientation

- **Date/Time:** Tuesday, July 21 at 10 a.m.
- **Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/95585569501?pwd=oNhUtS8KZpywcFUh5MHSPiFsM5u2Cd.1>
- **Phone Number:** 312-626-6799
- **Meeting ID:** 955 8556 9501

Please contact attendance@la.gov with questions.

Assessments, Accountability, and Analytics

DRC Online Cleanup

Please share with testing coordinators and school leaders.

DRC is hosting a student corrections online cleanup June 2-8 to allow limited changes to data that may affect test scores that are used in accountability calculations. District test coordinators were welcomed to an online cleanup webinar that was hosted by the department on two occasions. The presentation deck was shared with all district test coordinators through email. Correction types include:

- Student demographic data that may impede the ability to calculate growth across academic years
- Impending zeros for students who were expected to test and for whom a documented accountability code was not applied to their records

This student corrections opportunity cannot be extended for any reason since it will delay statewide reporting of LEAP scores for grades 3-8. The online cleanup is available on June 2 in DRC INSIGHT under the Student Management app.

Please contact assessment@la.gov with questions.

LEAP High School Summer Administration

Please share with testing coordinators and school leaders.

LEAP high school summer administration will be open from June 22-26. Please see pending due dates below to prepare for this administration.

- June 5: LEAP high schools are due to assessment@la.gov. All school systems and charter schools must submit these schedules.
- June 11: Test setup available with pre-identified students; additional materials window opens

Students who are no longer enrolled but wish to take a test again to meet graduation requirements can be added to this administration without active enrollment. Initial test scores will be included in fall 2027 school performance scores.

Please contact assessment@la.gov with questions.

THRIVE Indicator: Transcripts and Military Documentation

Please share with accountability contacts and school leaders.

As we have shared on AAA calls over the last several months, please make sure that final transcripts for the 2026 graduation cohort include important documentation for the following:

- IBC credentials, basic bundles and advanced; work-based learning opportunities
- TOPS weighted Dual Enrollment courses with appropriate course codes and accurate post-secondary hours
- Earned associate degrees

All dropout flags for prior academic years in the cohort window are final and will not be reviewed in data certification. Current year dropout flags should be corrected in EdLink with appropriate documentation as soon as possible.

Schools and systems should develop a process for collecting military service acceptance documentation and ASVAB scores that will be submitted as part of data certification.

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School System Relations

Department Names 2027 Teacher and Principal of the Year Finalists

Please share with teachers, school and school system leaders.

The Department is proud to announce the [2027 Teacher and Principal of the Year Finalists](#). These educators are achieving exceptional results with students and exemplify the best of Louisiana's teaching profession.

Alongside the Teacher and Principal of the Year Finalists, [New Teacher of the Year Finalists](#), [Early Childhood Teacher and Leader Finalists](#), and the [Milken Educator Award recipient](#) will be honored at the *20th Annual Cecil J. Picard Educator Excellence Awards Gala* on the evening of July 25 at the World War II Museum. This event is co-sponsored by [Dream Teachers](#). More information about these award programs is available on the [Staff and Educator Awards](#) page.

Congratulations to these outstanding educators!

Please contact excellenteducators@la.gov with questions.