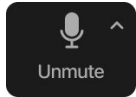
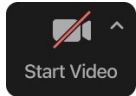


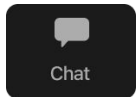
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- Please make sure you have turned off your camera to save bandwidth and prevent any connectivity issues.
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- Please submit questions during the presentation in the “Chat” function located on the bottom of your screen.

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



BESE-Authorized Charter Schools Monthly Call



April 9, 2026

Contact Information

Please add your **name** and **email address** in the chat. A copy of the powerpoint will be sent to you after this meeting.

To access slide decks from previous calls, you may visit the [LDOE Monthly Call](#) webpage.



Agenda

- Welcome
- Upcoming Submissions
- Material and Non-Material Amendment Deadlines
- Educator Evaluation Updates
- Diverse Learners Updates
- Finance, Dr. Anya Randle
- Questions



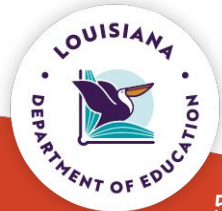
WELCOME

Our Goals for BESE Authorized Monthly Calls

We will provide pertinent information and updates.

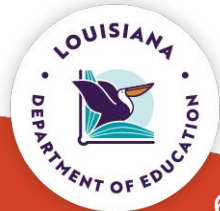
- Being **INTENTIONAL**
- Listening to your requests
- Each month provide reminders and upcoming required submissions from all departments in the LDOE
- Each call will provide leaders with information tied to the Charter School Performance Compact.

REMINDER: Monthly calls are held every 2nd Thursday @ 9:00 am



Department Accountability

- Office of School Choice
- Germain Gilson, Assistant Superintendent
- Kaleb Moore, Chief of Staff
- Samantha Carter, Executive Director of Charter Accountability
- Christina Woods, Director of Charter Accountability
- Shantel Reynard, Director of Charter Accountability
- Theresa Jackson, Operations Manager



Charter Accountability Reporting

Utilize the [Reporting Calendar](#) as a tool for directions, links to forms, and submission due dates.

If you submit to Charters@la.gov, also CC your school's Director.

- Christina Woods - christina.woods@la.gov
- Shantel Reynard - shantel.reynard@la.gov

The [Charter School Library](#) is a great resource!

Subscribe to the [LDOE Newsletter](#)!



2026 Upcoming Submissions

March	April	May
<p>International Associate Teacher Program</p> <p>Teacher Roster Verification for VAM</p> <p>Act 370 Report (New)</p>	<p>4th Quarterly Waitlist Report</p> <p>LEA Determination Review -Draft</p> <p>SLT and Evaluator Ratings</p> <p>Teacher Roster Verification for VAM</p> <p>IDEA MOE Confirmation</p> <p>Quarter 3 Financial Report</p> <p>PERs</p>	<p>Act 108</p> <p>Board Financial Disclosures</p> <p>Local SEAC Reporting</p> <p>LEA Determination Review -Final Due</p> <p>Literacy Screener Gifted Referral Data -MOY and EOY</p> <p>SLT and Evaluator Ratings</p> <p>Teacher Roster Verification for VAM</p> <p>IDEA MOE Verification</p> <p>ESSA MOE Verification</p>



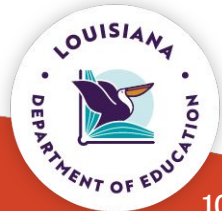
Material & Non-Material Amendment Submission Deadlines

Material Amendment Requests & Supporting Documentation Due to Charter Accountability Team	BESE SIT Committee Meeting
April 10, 2026	June 9, 2026
June 5, 2026	August 18, 2026
August 14, 2026	October 13, 2026



Location Changes or Additions

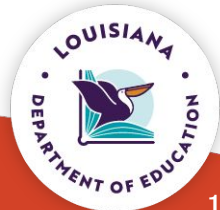
- Please verify all physical addresses that will be in use during the 2026-2027 school year.
- If any new location (including new construction or relocation) is not currently listed in your contract, please ensure that a material amendment has been submitted reflecting this change.



LDOE Newsletter Reminders

3.30.26 Newsletter

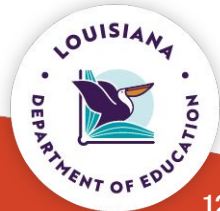
- **LEADS Principal Survey Deadline Extended** *Due: April 22, 2026*
 - Please share with human resource directors, school leaders, and systems leaders.
 - Please contact LEADS@la.gov with questions.
- **Summer EBT** (SUN Bucks program)
 - Please share with Local Education Agencies (LEAs).
 - LDH has currently suspended data manager access to the Summer EBT portal for data uploads. Access will be reinstated only after the corresponding Data Sharing Agreement is fully executed by the LEA.
 - Please contact childnutritionprograms@la.gov or LDH.PEBTSupport@la.gov with questions.



LDOE Newsletter Reminders

[3.30.26 Newsletter](#)

- **Data Certification** Due: *April 30, 2026*
 - Please share with test coordinators and school leaders.
 - Please contact assessment@la.gov with questions.
- **Recruitment and Retention Fellowship Application** Due: *June 26, 2026*
 - Please share with superintendents and system leaders.
 - Please contact louisianaleaders@la.gov with questions.



Educator Evaluation Updates



Louisiana Evaluation System (LES) Reminders

Systems are encouraged to begin finalizing 2026-2026 observation and Student Learning Target data. It is recommended that educators complete the following tasks in [LES](#).

Evaluators	Teachers	Counselors and School Leaders
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Enter and complete observations● Accept and rate SLTs● Enter EOY conference scores	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Enter SLTs● Enter self-assessment scores● Assess students and report SLT results	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Enter self-assessment scores● Enter SLTs and report results

Please email leads@la.gov with questions.



2025-2026 Charter Spreadsheet Upload

Direct entry into LES is the preferred method for entering data.

- Prior to uploads
 - Review rosters in LES to ensure all staff appear, are assigned an evaluator, and have the correct evaluation type.
 - Download and use the LES provided spreadsheet.
- To request a 2025-2026 spreadsheet upload, complete the [charter upload](#) form or email leads@la.gov by April 15. Keep in mind that data is entered in LES *or* spreadsheet upload.

Please contact LEADS@la.gov with questions.



Roster Verification

The Louisiana Educator Portal (LEP) roster verification ensures that teachers are assigned to correct courses and classroom rosters of students for the purpose of value-added (VAM) analysis. The current [LEP User Guide](#) is now available.

- **February 2-April 15**

LEP is open for a view-only period. During this time, users can view and check roster data for accuracy, and make any corrections in Edlink 360.

- **April 16-May 28**

LEP will be open for roster verification. This process is required and allows teachers and principals the ability to verify and correct records for specific courses and students.

Please contact leads@la.gov with questions



Diverse Learners Updates



MOY and EOY Literacy Screening Gifted Referral Data Collection

Louisiana Statute 17:24.9 mandates school systems to report the number of students identified for referral for gifted evaluation for every literacy screening administration for Kindergarten through Grade 3.

The following data sets will be collected for each grade level:

- The number of gifted students scoring in the above-average range on the literacy screener
- The number of non-gifted students referred for additional screening
- The number of non-gifted students referred for gifted evaluation

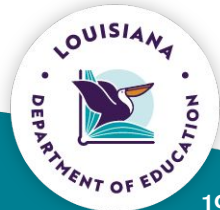
Collection will open April 13, and will be due the end of the business day May 11.



2023-2024 Final LEA Determinations

- Released in the FTP the week of April 20th. The packet includes:
 - LEA's Final Determination status:
 - Meets Requirements
 - Needs Assistance
 - Needs Intervention
 - Needs Substantial Intervention
 - 2023-2024 Unsupressed Perfomance Profiles
 - 2023-2024 Parental Involvement Survey Results for participating LEAs

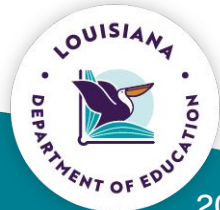
Please contact yolanda.oates3@la.gov



2024-2025 Draft LEA Determinations

- Released in the FTP the week of May 4th.
- LEAs provided a review window for comments.
 - During this period LEAs may comment of their data.
 - A review may result in and update to or no changes to the data and/or determination
 - All comments must be made by May 29th

Please contact yolanda.oates3@la.gov



SPP/APR Parent Involvement Survey

Traditional School Districts

- Bienville Parish
- Bossier Parish
- Claiborne Parish
- Jackson Parish
- Jefferson Davis Parish
- Madison Parish
- Morehouse Parish
- St. Tammany Parish
- Terrebonne Parish
- Vermillion Parish
- West Baton Rouge Parish
- Special School District

Charter Schools

- Lake Charles Charter
- Crescent City Schools
- LA Key Academy
- KIPP New Orleans
- Willow Charter Academy
- MLK for Sci Tech
- Lake Forest Elementary
- Lake Charles College Prep
- Wilson Charter School
- Einstein Charter Middle
- Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Benjamin Franklin Charter

Please contact specialeducation@la.gov with questions.



SPP/APR Parent Involvement Survey Timeline

Timeline	Milestone
April 30, 2026	LEAs match respondent ID to existing ID and follow up with non-respondents
May 29, 2026	LEAs match respondent ID to existing ID and follow up with non-respondents
June 22, 2026	LEAs match respondent ID to existing ID and follow up with non-respondents (final)
July 1, 2026	Survey closes

Please contact specialeducation@la.gov with questions.



Seclusion and Restraint Reminder

All incidents of seclusion and restraint must be reported in SER.

- Key Considerations:
 - Are teachers and school staff using consistent protocols/tools/timelines for collecting and maintaining data?
 - What are the follow-up and intervention procedures when seclusion and restraint procedures repeatedly occur with the same student and/or adult?
 - In what manner and under what timelines are incidents of seclusion and restraint communicated to principals, local special education directors, and parents?
 - Who is responsible for submitting incidents of seclusion and restraint in SER?
- Developing Local Guidance, Reporting Guidance

Please contact specialeducation@la.gov with questions.



High Cost Services

Round 1:

- School systems should submit amendments prior to **June 30**.
- The LDOE will monitor and conduct outreach to ensure amendments are submitted by the June 30 deadline.

Round 2:

- Currently in the allocation development process.

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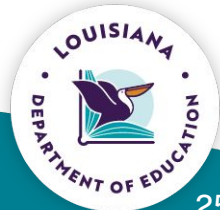


April Dunn Act Resources

Resources to support effective implementation are available in the [Students with Disabilities library](#).

- [Developing Procedures for Effective Implementation](#)
- [Checklist for Creating April Dunn Act Procedures](#)
- [Self-Assessment Guide](#)
- Understanding the Self-Assessment Guide, Sections [One](#), [Two](#), and [Three](#)

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Annual SEAC Report Reminder

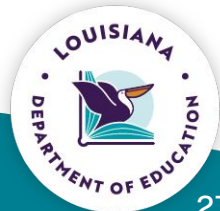
- Per legislation, the Division of Diverse Learners will collect links to school system's annual Special Education Advisory Counsel (SEAC) reports.
 - The collection is due **May 2026** and a collection link will be provided in future newsletters and April Office Hours.
- Those links are provided to Special Education Advisory Panel (SEAP) in an annual report.
 - Be sure the link is **live** on the school system's website.
- Reports from last year are publicly [linked](#) on the LDOE's website.

Please contact specialeducation@la.gov with questions.



Policy, Data, and Reporting EOY Collection Timelines

- Verify the Reevaluation Management Roster for Developmental Delay, Turning 9 deadline: **April 17.**
- 2023-2024 Final LEA Determinations posted in the Data Managers FTP the week of **April 20.**
- 2024-2025 Final LEA Determinations posted in the Data Managers FTP the week of **May 4.**
- MOE/EOY K-3 Literacy for Gifted and Talented Jotform opens the week of **April 20.**
- Begin verification of End of Year (EOY) data for Disciplinary Removals, Part C Transition, SER/SIS and SIS/SER Crosschecks: **April 24.**
- Verification letters for Seclusion and Restraint posted to FTP the week of **April 27.**



Policy, Data, and Reporting Deadlines

- MOE/EOY K-3 Literacy for Gifted and Talented collection deadline: **May 11.**
- Updates to Seclusion and Restraint Data deadline: **May 26.**
- Comments on the 2024-2025 Draft LEA Determinations deadline: **May 29.**
- Updated Seclusion and Restraint Policy deadline: **May 31.**
- 2025-2026 Local SEAC Report Deadline: **May 31**
- Parent Involvement Survey Deadline: **July 1**



Finance

Dr. Anya Randle



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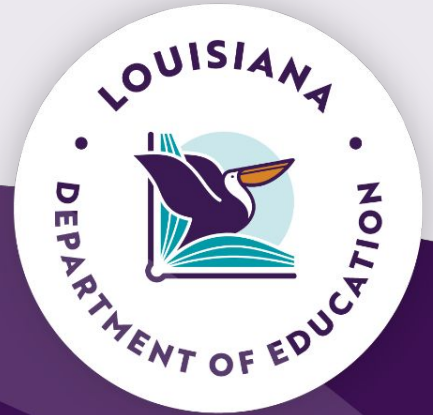
3rd Quarter Budget Submission

- The Third Quarter Financial Budget Report for FY 2025-2026 is due by **April 30, 2026**.
- If your organization operates more than one charter school, you must submit the financial report for each individual school.
- For more details see the Instructions for Quarterly budgets tab in the Annual Budget Workbook.

Please contact charterfinancehelpdesk@la.gov



Teacher Leader Summit 2026





Teacher Leader Summit 2026

Big Ideas Start Here

Teacher Leader Summit 2026 will take place May 26-28 at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. TLS 2026 celebrates the dedication and leadership of Louisiana educators. Together, we will spark new thinking, share what works, and shape what's next.

Registration Details

Regular Registration

- March 16 to April 12 (or when capacity is reached)
- Rate: \$299

Please contact ldoeevents@la.gov with questions.



Questions

For further inquiries, please reach out to charters@la.gov

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Upcoming BESE-Authorized Charter Monthly Call

May 14, at 9:00 am

