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# **BESE-Authorized Charter Schools Monthly Call**



#### **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.





#### Agenda

- Welcome
- Upcoming Submissions
- Organizational Compliance
- Website Compliance Assessment
- Charter School Resources Webpage Review
- Charter School Program (CSP) Supplemental Funding
- Teaching and Learning Support
- Numeracy Screening
- Louisiana Department of Education, Safe and Healthy Schools
   Division: School Bus Transportation Overview
- 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.



#### **Charter Accountability Reporting**

Utilize the <u>Reporting Calendar</u> as a tool for directions, links to forms, and submission due dates.

If you submit to <a href="mailto:Charters@la.gov">Charters@la.gov</a>, also CC your school's Director.

- Christina Woods <u>christina.woods@la.gov</u>
- Shantel Reynard- <u>shantel.reynard@la.gov</u>

The <u>Charter School Library</u> is a great resource!

Subscribe to the LDOE Newsletter!



#### **2025 Upcoming Submissions**

October	November	December
Pupil Progression Plan	Enrollment Lottery Process	Website Compliance Review
2nd Quarterly Waitlist Report	Technology Readiness Tool	Course Choice Spring Reporting
Outstanding School Support Employee	Student of the Year Applications Due	<u>Dyslexia Reporting</u>
Applications Open  Alternate Assessment Participation Review  APR Indicator Identification for Monitoring  Quarter 1 Financial Report  High Cost Services Grant Round 1	Course Choice Spring Reporting  Significant Disproportionality Data & CCEIS  Determinations  PERS	SLT and Evaluator Ratings  Achieve!  High Cost Services Grant Round 2
<u>Bylaws</u>		



## Material & Non-Material Amendment Submission Deadlines

Material Amendment Requests & Supporting Documentation Due to Charter Accountability Team	BESE SIT Committee Meeting	
No Submissions	December 9, 2025	
December 19, 2025	January 13, 2026	
January 9, 2026	March 10, 2026	



#### **Shout Out**

#### The MAX Academy at Nicholls State University:

"They are always timely and their reports are always accurate. They've already submitted their reports that are due on October 31<sup>st</sup>."

**School System Financial Services** 



#### **Shout Out**

#### Lycée Français International de la Louisiane:

- Favorite Charter High School (runner-up)
- Favorite Public High School Principal
  - Dr. Chase McLaurin (runner-up)

NOLA Family - 2025 Family Favorites: Schooled

Family Resource Group Inc.



#### Hall Pass to Brag!

Your turn to shine — what's something great happening in your school?

- Attendance
- Discipline
- Literacy
- PBIS
- Parental Involvement



## **Organizational Compliance**



#### **Organizational Compliance**

#### Organizational Performance Framework

Indicator	Methodology
Organizational Overall Rating	Meets All Expectations: 20 points on the Organizational Overall Score Meets Most Expectations: 11-19 points on the Organizational Overall Score Does Not Meet Expectations: 0-10 points on the Organizational Overall Score The Organizational Overall Score is the average of the Organizational Performance Rating and the Organizational Compliance Rating and is rounded to the nearest whole number for determining the Organizational Overall Rating.
Organizational Overall Score	The average of the Organizational Performance Rating and the Organizational Compliance Rating. Results are rounded to one decimal.
Organizational Performance Rating	The average of each organizational performance indicator score. Results are rounded to one decimal.
Organizational Compliance Rating	20 points: No Notices of Concern or Breach 15 points: No more than two Notices of Concern and No Notices of Breach 0 points: Three or more Notices of Concern or one or more Notices of Breach



### **Outstanding Submissions**

Submission Title	# of Outstanding Submissions	Due Date
1st Quarter Waiting List	16	July 15, 2025
Board Meeting Calendar	15	July 31, 2025
Crisis Plan	10	July 31, 2025
Transportation Plan	10	July 31, 2025
Student Handbook	17	July 31, 2025
Website Assessment Tool	23	August 31, 2025
Board Assurances	11	September 2025



## **Outstanding Submissions**

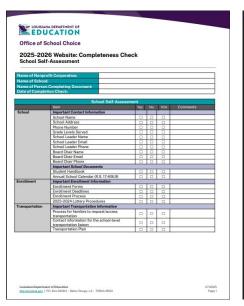
Submission Title	# of Outstanding Submissions	Due Date
Non-profit Bylaws	30	October 1, 2025
2nd Quarter Waiting List	26	October 15, 2025
Head of School/CEO Assurances	18	October 19, 2025
Pupil Progression Plan	7	October 31, 2025

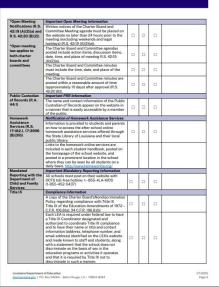


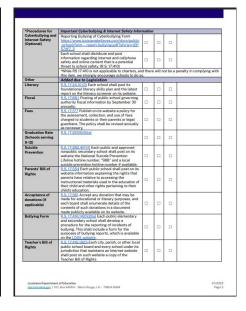
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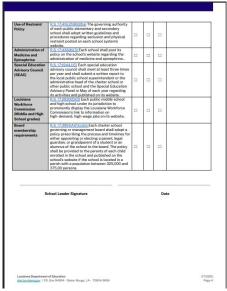


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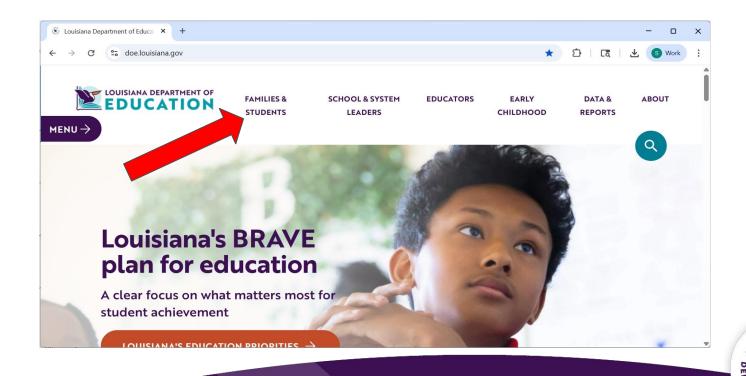




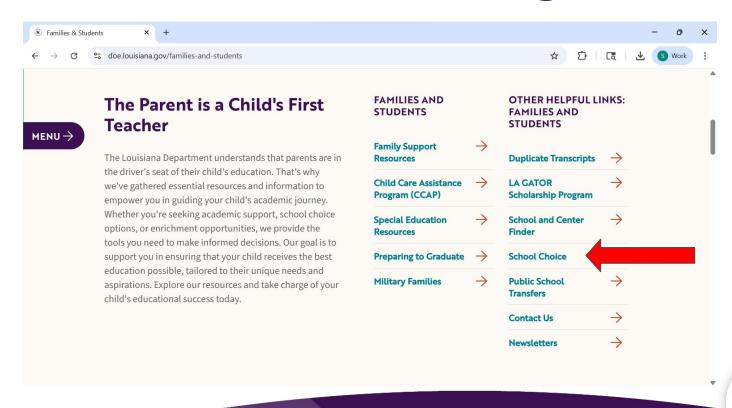




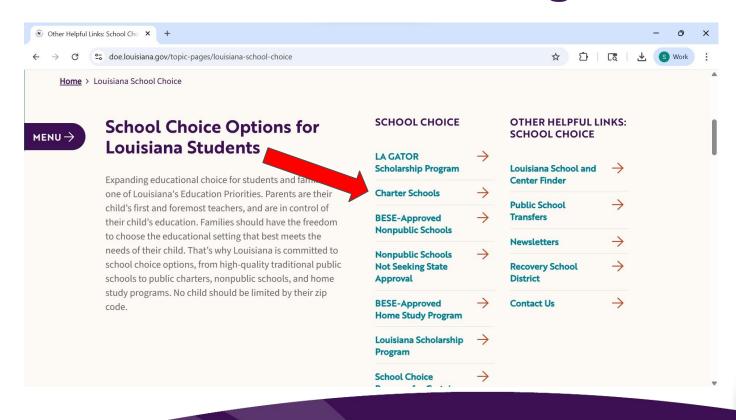




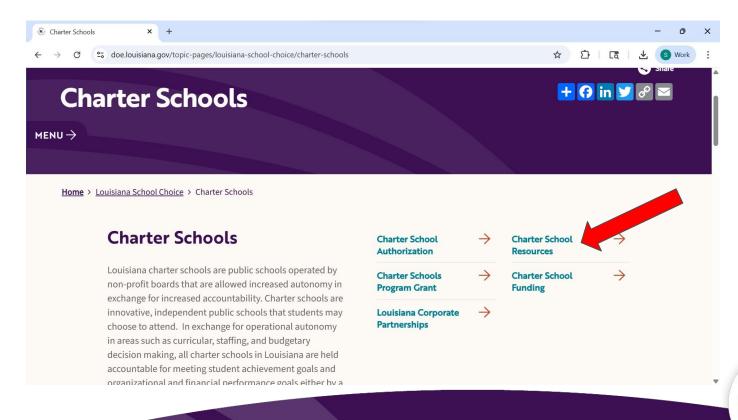
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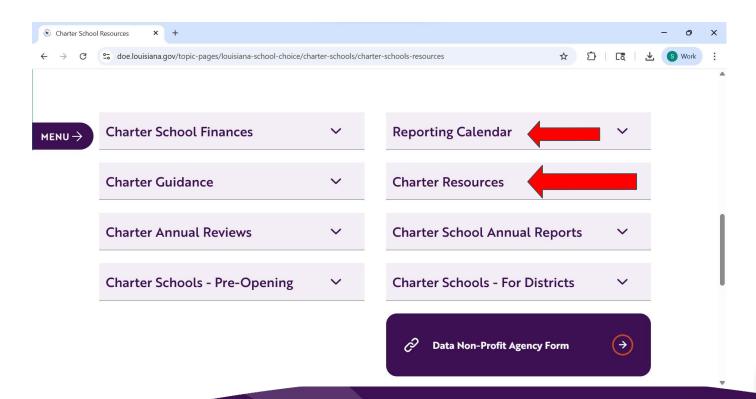
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## **Charter School Program Grant Updates**



#### **Charter School Program Grant Updates**

The LDOE and the Office of School Choice has secured an additional \$13.5 million in federal funding for charter schools to be applied to Louisiana's priority initiatives. The competitive application will open December 1 in eGMS.

- Applications from charter schools are due by **December 19**. (Type 1, 3, and 4 Charters may receive an early due date from their local authorizer to allow time for adequate submission into eGMS.)
- Informational sessions will be held every Friday at 10 a.m. starting on November 7. Please use the <u>scheduling link</u> to receive an invite.



## **Teaching and Learning Support**



#### Menu of Services

A <u>comprehensive catalogue</u> of support services available to districts from the LDOE Office of Teaching and Learning.

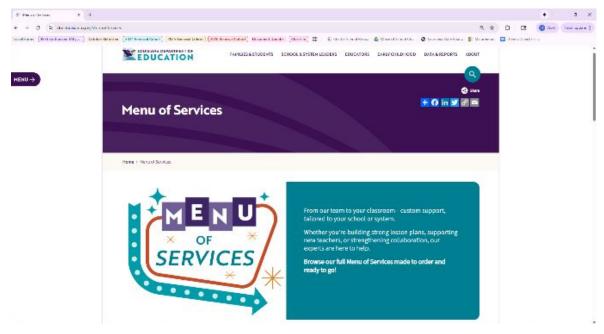
- Designed to enhance instructional quality
- Promote continuous improvement through high quality instructional materials and professional learning structures of Instructional Leadership Teams and Teacher Collaboration

School systems should designate a single point of contact to request support from the LDOE Teaching and Learning Team.





#### **Requesting Support**







### **Numeracy Screening**



## Numeracy Screening: District Administered Collection Update

All school systems should be following the <u>Interim Guidance for Math Numeracy Screeners</u> to administer their own system-level K-3 numeracy screener for all three windows.

**Update:** Middle-of-year and end-of-year data from the system-selected screeners will not be required submissions to EdLink 360. Schools are still required to follow the guidance linked above, but will not be required to submit their data to LDOE,



# Louisiana Department of Education, Safe and Healthy Schools Division

**School Bus Transportation Overview** 



#### **Overview of Transportation Goals and Outcomes**

RS 17:497.4 requires the LDOE, with the approval of BESE, to develop and implement a program for the training and certification of school bus operators, with the purpose of increasing the number of certified school bus operators in the state.



#### **School Bus Transportation Requirements**

- Each operator of a BESE authorized charter school shall offer free daily transportation to and from school to any student.
- Transportation shall be in a vehicle approved for student transportation in accordance with BESE <u>Bulletin 119</u> — Louisiana School Student Transportation Regulations.
- Transportation shall be provided by operators selected, trained and required to perform their duties in accordance with policy.
- Transportation officials should also comply with <u>Bulletin 119 Supplement</u>, <u>Volume 1</u> and <u>Bulletin 119 Supplement</u>, <u>Volume II</u>.



#### **School Bus Transportation Requirements**

- Bus inspections should ensure that all vehicles fully comply with Louisiana specifications.
- Transportation contracts should address compliance with Louisiana school bus specifications and with Bulletin 119 requirements for schools.
- Schools shall provide student safety instruction and school bus emergency evacuation drills in order to provide optimum protection for students, schools and transportation providers.



### **Teacher Leader Summit 2026**



#### **Teacher Leader Summit**

- Hold the Date: Teacher Leader Summit 2026 is May 26-28 at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. Early bird registration opens February 16, 2026.
- To better serve all educators, the College and Career Readiness team has joined forces with Teacher Leader Summit to bring you an even more comprehensive experience. Sessions that would normally be part of our Fast Forward Convention are now integrated into Summit, giving you access to all the great content from both events — now in one convenient location!
- The call for presentations opens **October 15 and closes December 5.** All potential speakers will know they are presenters before registration opens. Attend the presenter information webinar on <u>October 15</u> at 1 p.m. or 4 p.m.



#### **Questions**

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

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## **Upcoming BESE-Authorized Charter Monthly Call**

January 8, 2026 at 9:00 am

Teacher Evaluation and Certification Law and Policy

