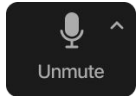
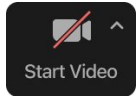


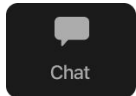
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- Please submit questions during the presentation in the “Chat” function located on the bottom of your screen.

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



Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Call

April 18, 2024



Office of Career and College Readiness

Dr. Ernise Singleton, Assistant Superintendent
Erica Spencer, Education Deputy Advisor

Foundational Skills: *Angela Jordan, Executive Director*

- Freshman Academy, Transitional 9th Grade, Counselor Institutes, Professional School Counselor liaison, Individual Graduation Plan, High School Planning Guides, Counselor Newsletter, Pupil Progression Plans, Child Welfare and Attendance, Alternative Education, Current Intervention Required - Discipline (UIR-D and CIR-D), PBIS

Post-Secondary Readiness: *Stephanie Marcum, Executive Director*

- Apprenticeships, Fast Forward, Extension Academy, Diploma Orders, Community Service Diploma Endorsement, April Dunn Jump Start Pathways, Financial Aid Planning, Gifted and Talented Programming, Student of the Year, U.S. Senate Youth Program, Credit Recovery, Course Codes, Proficiency Exams, Transcripts

Quality Diplomas: *Timberly Deville, Executive Director*

- Jump Start, Jump Start Convention, Jump Start Summers, Super Summer Institute, CTTIE, Career Development Fund, Quest for Success, Supplemental Course Academy, U.S. Presidential Scholar, Advanced Coursework: AP, Dual Enrollment, IB and CLEP Testing, Graduation Requirements

Safe and Healthy Schools: *Michael Comeaux, Executive Director*

- AWARE grants, School Social Work, School Health Profiles, Health & PE, Transportation, Nursing, School-Based Medicaid, Suicide Prevention, Trauma Recovery Demonstration Grant, and School Safety



Foundational Skills

Angela Jordan, Executive Director



Attendance Policy Update

In its March 2024 meeting, BESE approved updates to policy in *Bulletin 126 - Charter Schools* and *Bulletin 741 - Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators* regarding absences and attendance. The revisions provide clarity; opportunities for academic recovery; and the daily reporting of attendance data.

Summary of updates:

- **refines the types of absences to *excused*, *unexcused*, and *suspension/expulsion*;**
- **provides for the implementation of daily student attendance reporting; and**
- **provides for reporting on truancy.**

In addition, the revisions include kindergarten deferred enrollment and compliance with compulsory school attendance in accordance with R.S. 17:151.3.

Please contact shelneka.adams@la.gov with questions.



Post-Secondary Readiness

Stephanie Marcum, Executive Director



Jump Start Construction Connect Scholars Program

The Jump Start Construction Connect Scholars Program is accepting [applications](#) for up to forty one-time \$1,000 scholarships.

Applicants should meet the following criteria:

- Be on track to earn a Jump Start TOPS Tech Career Diploma
- Have a National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) credential
- Plan to enroll in a LCTCS campus on a construction pathway or in an Associated Builders and Contractors training program

Deadline to apply has been extended to May 10.

Please contact suzette.rabalais@la.gov with questions.



2023-2024 High School Diplomas

2023-2024 High School diploma orders will begin arriving in the coming weeks.

Please be aware of the following:

- Once an order has been shipped, the diploma contact will receive an email from FedEx that will include a tracking number.
- Efforts have been made to ensure deliveries are not made during breaks.
- Community Service Seals, STEM Seals, and Biliteracy Seals are in the process of being mailed.

Contact suzette.rabalais@la.gov with questions.



Financial Aid Planning

All 2024 graduating seniors must complete one of the following:

- The [2024-2025 FAFSA](#) application (if you want to apply for the federal Pell grant, federal student loans, the Louisiana GO Grant, and TOPS) or
- A [TOPS application](#) on the LOSFA website (if you want TOPS only) or
- A waiver

The U.S. Department of Education has revamped the FAFSA application. The application is now open.

Contact ldefinancialaid@la.gov for assistance.



Quality Diplomas

Timberly Deville, Executive Director



Work-Based Learning Policy

At its April 2024 meeting, BESE approved updates to the [Notice of Intent](#) regarding *Bulletin 741 Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators - §3113*, focusing on Work-Based Learning. The updated policy outlines clear definitions for three main forms of work-based learning:

- cooperative education,
- internships, and
- structured on-the-job training as part of Registered Apprenticeship.

It also provides enhanced qualifications for work-based learning instructors, guidelines for scheduling work-based learning activities, and provisions concerning teacher-coordinators and participating students.

Please contact jumpstart@la.gov with questions.



College Board Updates and Deadlines

Deadlines:

- **April 30:**
 - Indicate through AP Registration and Ordering each student who is [eligible for a fee reduction](#).
 - Submit all components of performance tasks in [AP Digital Portfolio](#) for AP Seminar, AP Research, and AP Computer Science Principles.

Updates and Events:

- [Weekly Office Hours](#)
 - **Webinar Date and Time:** Every Tuesday; 10 a.m.
 - **Webinar ID (Microsoft Teams):** 232 293 189 414
 - **Passcode:** 7VQcYk

Contact charmaine.cureton@la.gov with questions.



College Board Events and Professional Development

- [Chat with a Coordinator Meetings](#): Offered on various dates until April 27, to help AP Coordinators prepare for testing in May.
- [AP Precalculus Lunch & Learn](#)
 - **Webinar Date and Time:** May 1; 12 p.m.
 - **Webinar ID (Microsoft Teams):** 275 413 323 886
 - **Passcode:** u4giag
- [AP Computer Science Principles Lunch & Learn](#)
 - **Webinar Date and Time:** May 2; 12 p.m.
 - **Webinar ID (Microsoft Teams):** 260 851 674 610
 - **Passcode:** fkQrmt
- [2024 AP Annual Conference](#)
 - July 24 -27 in Las Vegas, NV

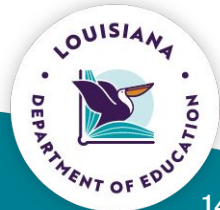
Contact charmaine.cureton@la.gov with questions.



ACT Events and Professional Development

- 2024 National ACT State Organizations Virtual Conference
 - **When:** August 14 - 15
 - **Cost:** \$100 (members); \$125 (non members)
 - **Purpose:** Building a community of educators and workforce professionals to help people achieve education and workplace success.

Contact charmaine.cureton@la.gov with questions.



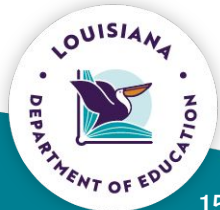
Health Science Education Professional Development

The National Consortium for Health Science Education offers free, monthly webinars for varying Health Science Education professionals.

- No cost to school systems
- No cost to teachers
- Live webinars
- Previous webinars uploaded

To see [past webinars](#) or to register for future webinars, visit the [the National Consortium for Health Science Education](#) website.

Contact timberly.deville2@la.gov with questions.



NCCER and If I Had A Hammer, Inc.

The National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) and If I Had A Hammer, Inc. have partnered to expand access to the HammerMath[®] and HammerBuild[®] programs aimed to increase math comprehension through engaging applied math education, exercises and projects.

This partnership aims to shift the downward trend by providing NCCER-accredited high schools with **free** access to the online HammerMath learning platform and HammerBuild. The HammerBuild is an immersive educational experience where students build a small house in one day while learning the value of applied math, goal setting, teamwork and workforce skills.

[Sign up](#) to stay informed on this partnership.

Contact troy.borne@la.gov with questions.



2024 - 2025 CDF Updates

For the 2024 - 2025 school year, there will be no changes to the CDF list. This decision was based on

- Jump Start Convention feedback from system leaders
- Fiscal impact analysis on school systems
- Analysis of CDF funds school systems are carrying over

Next steps:

- Continued fiscal analysis
- Publishing of updated CDF list for 2025 - 2026 school year in fall of 2024
- Will include formal process for requesting additional of courses

Contact timberly.deville@la.gov with questions.



Safe and Healthy Schools

Michael Comeaux, Executive Director



Bulletin 135 Update- Emergency Medications

At its April meeting, BESE approved as a **Notice of Intent** a change that the requirement of an initial dose of emergency medications be administered by the student's parent/guardian outside the school jurisdiction with sufficient time for observation for adverse reactions.

The ***proposed policy change*** will read: *Except in the case of emergency medications, the initial dose of a medication shall be administered by the student's parent/guardian outside the school jurisdiction with sufficient time for observation for adverse reactions.*

Please contact healthyschools@la.gov with questions.



Immunization Exemption Forms

Reminder to all administrators and school nurses:

As per [R.S. 17:170.4](#) any written communications with students' parent, legal guardians, and tutor concerning immunizations must include information on exemptions. LDOE has a [Statement of Dissent from Immunizations](#) for your use on the website.

For more information contact susan.dupont@la.gov.



2024 Medical Simulation Training Expo

The Simulation Training and Education Council of Louisiana (SMTEC-LA) invites Louisiana simulation educators, operations specialist, and program coordinators to attend the [2024 Simulation Expo!](#)

- **Date:** April 19
- **Time:** 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- **Location:** LSUHSC Human Development Center; New Orleans, Louisiana
- **Cost:** Free to all Louisiana educators

Please contact elizabeth.duncan@la.gov with questions.



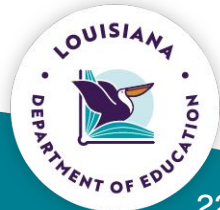
Louisiana Center for Safe Schools Training on School Exercise Planning

[Registration](#) is now open for the Post Conference Training on School Exercise Planning. The workshop will feature phased elements that are vital to preparedness, planning, response, recovery and mitigation, and best practices.

- Date: May 9; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Location: Louisiana Emergency Management Conference; Lake Charles, LA

More information is available by reaching out to lasafeschools@la.gov

For more information contact michael.comeaux@la.gov



Louisiana Center for Safe Schools Data Call

The Louisiana Center for Safe Schools at the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness began a statewide [data call questionnaire](#) in March and encouraged full participation in preparation for the **May 1** deadline in the [School Safety Act of 2023](#).

In addition to the questionnaire, the Louisiana Center for School Safety opened the [School & Nonprofit Security Grant application](#) on April 1. In order to be eligible to apply, applicants **MUST** complete the questionnaire.

For additional questions regarding the questionnaire, please contact safeschools@la.gov.

For more information contact michael.comeaux@la.gov.



Awards/Recognition



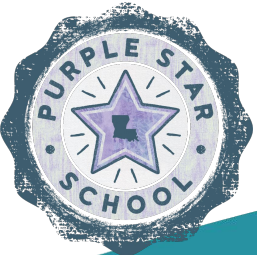
Purple Star School

This award shows recognition to schools that show a major commitment to serving students and families connected to the United States Armed Forces.

To earn the recognition, schools shall engage in the following activities:

- Designate a staff member to serve as a military liaison and engage in the following:
- Serve as the primary point of contact for military connected students and families
- Work to identify special considerations needed by military-connected students and families
- Develop training to inform teachers and other school personnel of those special considerations
- Create a dedicated page on its website featuring resources for military-connected students and families
- Create a student-led transition program to provide peer support for military-connected students

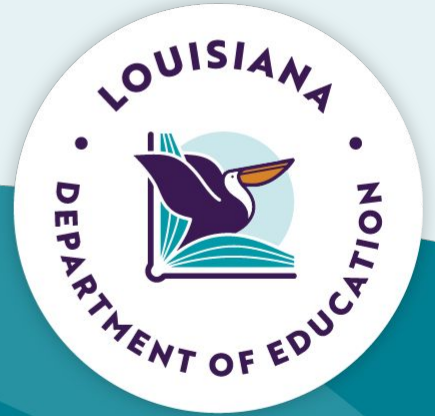
Other criteria and information can be found by visiting the [LDOE Awards page](#).



Contact highschoolacademics@la.gov with questions.



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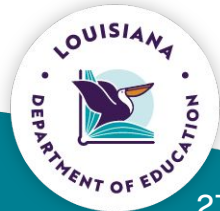


2024 School Safety Summit

- Save the date for the 2024 Louisiana School Safety Summit
 - July 10-11
 - Virtual event
 - Registration coming soon



Please contact healthyschools@la.gov with questions.



Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Calls

Healthy Communities Monthly Call	<u>April 27 at 2 p.m.</u>
Child Welfare and Attendance Monthly Call	<u>May 2 at 8 a.m.</u>
Alternative Education Community of Practice	<u>May 9 at 10 a.m.</u>
Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Call	<u>May 16 at 3 p.m.</u>

Contact erica.spencer@la.gov with questions.



Helpful Information

Schedules, access links and information for the Department’s webinars can be found in the [LDOE Weekly Newsletter](#) and [School System Support Calendar](#). Please reach out to the following contacts with questions:

highschoolacademics@la.gov	General questions about the office and about graduation requirements
ldefinancialaid@la.gov	Questions related to the financial aid policy or for assistance with FAFSA completion
sca@la.gov	Questions related to Supplemental Course Academy/Course Choice
jumpstart@la.gov	Questions related to Jump Start

ppp@la.gov	Questions related to pupil progression
healthyschools@la.gov	Questions related to Safe and Healthy Schools/Medicaid/School Safety
transcripts@la.gov	Questions about duplicate transcripts



Questions?

