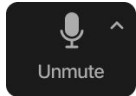


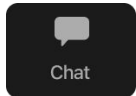
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- Please submit questions during the presentation in the “Chat” function located on the bottom of your screen.

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

February 20, 2025



Office of Career and College Readiness

Dr. Ernise Singleton, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Tireka Cobb, Chief of Staff

Attendance & Student Support: *Angela Jordan, Executive Director*

- Attendance, Child Welfare and Attendance, Transitional 9th Grade, Counselor Institutes, Professional School Counselor liaison, Individual Graduation Plan, High School Planning Guides, Counselor Connect Newsletter, Pupil Progression Plans, Alternative Education, PBIS, Discipline

Business & Industry Partnerships: *Stephanie Marcum, Executive Director*

- Business and industry outreach, assisting school systems with opportunities with business and industry, Extension Academy, Diploma Orders, Community Service Diploma Endorsement, April Dunn Jump Start Pathways, Financial Aid Planning, U.S. Senate Youth Program, Credit Recovery, Proficiency Exams, Transcripts

Fast Forward: *Dr. Timberly Monaghan, 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



Attendance and Student Support

Angela Jordan, Executive Director



Spring 2025 Counselor Institute Presentation

Thank you to all who attended the Spring 2025 Counselor Institute sessions!

We hope you found benefit in the Counselors and Attendance, Registered Apprenticeship/Internships and ASVAB presentations! The [slide deck](#) is available for your review. Feel free to share with colleagues as you deem appropriate.

Dates for the Fall 2025 Counselor Institutes will be released at a later date.

Please contact angela.jordan@la.gov with questions.



Business and Industry Partnerships

Stephanie Marcum, Executive Director



Community Service Diploma Seal

Students can work towards earning the [Community Service Endorsement](#) by completing and documenting 80 service hours prior to graduation. Please refer students to the [Community Service Opportunities Document](#) for ways they can volunteer in their community.

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



Jump Start Construction Scholars Program

The [Jump Start Construction Scholars Program](#) is accepting applications for up to forty one-time \$1,000 scholarships. Applications are due April 22, 2025.

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

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



Financial Aid Planning

The U.S. Department of Education has revamped the FAFSA application. The 2025-2026 application is now open.

Students and families will need to create and/or reset usernames and passwords (FSA IDs) before they will have access the website.

Fill out the [2025-2026 FAFSA](#) application (if you want to apply for the federal Pell grant, federal student loans, the Louisiana GO Grant, and TOPS).

Fill out a [TOPS application](#) is on the LOSFA website (if you want TOPS only).

Please contact ldefinancialaid@la.gov with questions.



Fast Forward

Dr. Timberly Monaghan, Executive Director



2024 -2025 CDF Mid-Year Expenditure Report

The [2024-2025 Mid-Year Career Development Fund \(CDF\) Expenditure Report](#) is available for school systems to complete. The deadline to report on 2024-2025 CDF mid-year expenditures is February 28. Schools systems should reference the [2024-2025 Guidelines for Use of CDF Allocation](#) when completing the form.

CDF funds support increased student access to high-value Career and Technical Education courses and training. CDF funds are 6% of the MFP State and Local Base Cost Per Pupil (\$241) provided for each qualifying student course enrollment in grades 9-12.

Please contact troy.borne@la.gov with questions



Spring 2025 Federal Grants Management Training

[Registration](#) is open for the virtual Federal Grants Management Training held by the BruMan Group on behalf of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System (LCTCS). The Federal Grant Management exam will be administered after the training.

- **Deadline to register:** February 28
- **When:** March 19 -20
- **Where:** Virtual
- **Audience:** All programmatic and fiscal personnel

Contact careerandtech@lctcs.edu with questions.



College Board Updates and Deadlines

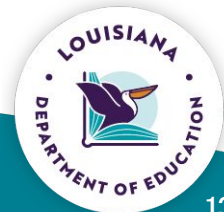
Deadlines and Reminders:

- **March 14:** Deadline for AP coordinators to submit final updates for [AP Exam Orders](#).
- **April 30:** Deadline to finalize student fee reduction status in [AP Registration and Ordering](#)
- **April 30:** [AP Digital Portfolio](#) Deadline for performance tasks in AP Seminar, AP Research, and AP Computer Science Principles
- Please check out the [AP One Pager](#) for more information on test dates, resources, and common links.

Updates and Events:

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

Contact fhordge@collegeboard.org with questions.



College Board: AP Precalculus Power Hour

The College Board is offering monthly AP Precalculus Power Hours. Sessions are designed to provide teachers with timely information, an opportunity to ask questions, and a chance to interact with AP Precalculus teachers from around the world.

Zoom Registration Links	Topic
<u>February 22; 8 a.m.</u>	Favorite Graphing Calculator Activities
<u>March 27; 6 p.m.</u> <u>March 29; 8 a.m.</u>	AP Precalculus Exam Prep
<u>April 24; 6 p.m.</u> <u>April 26; 8 a.m.</u>	AP Precalculus Free Responses

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2025 ACT Summit

[Registration](#) is now open for the 2025 ACT Summit. The ACT Summit unites the expertise and focus of Workforce professionals, Higher Ed leaders, and K-12 leaders, creating a fully integrated experience that fosters cross-sector collaboration. Sessions are designed to spark collaboration, foster problem solving, and shape the future of education and the workforce.

- **When:** July 15-17
- **Where:** Nashville, TN
- **Cost:** Registration \$600-\$700

Please contact charmaine.cureton@la.gov with questions.



Work-based Learning Vendor Application

In reference to the Work-based Learning policy adopted by BESE in April of 2024, Work-based Learning Instructors without three years of work experience other than classroom instruction are now required to hold a " WBL Cert option 3: a valid level 2 Louisiana teaching certificate and completion of a work-based learning workshop by an approved provider." The [WBL Vendor Application](#) will open February 21 for those seeking to become a Work-based Learning Teacher Workshop Vendor and will close on March 21, 2025.

Please contact troy.borne@la.gov with questions



2025 Fast Forward Convention and Child Welfare and Attendance Summit

This one-day event (formerly known as the Jump Start Convention) will be held on Tuesday, February 25 at the Cajundome and Convention Center in Lafayette, LA. This year's convention will provide professional development opportunities focused on the creation and expansion of high-quality work-based learning programs, fostering industry partnerships to strengthen Career and Technical Education initiatives, enhancing alignment with workforce demands, and improving child welfare and attendance support systems.

Interested attendees can check the [Jump Start Meeting and Training Opportunities](#) page for the [session titles and descriptions](#). Registrants are able to sign up for individual sessions on the WHOVA app.

Contact jumpstart@la.gov with questions



2023-2024 Jump Start Summer Reporting

It's time for systems to report for the previous year's (2023-2024) Jump Start Summer program if they applied last spring. This report can be found in EdLink, just as last year's application was moved to EdLink.

Please complete your reporting by Tuesday, February 25th. Information about the 2024-2025 application will be released in the coming days.

Contact jumpstart@la.gov with questions

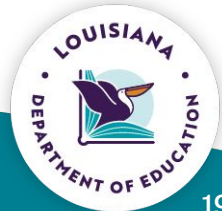


SCA/Course Choice Spring Reporting

Spring Reporting:

- The portal will **close on March 11** for Public Higher Education providers.

Contact sca@la.gov with questions



Safe and Healthy Schools

Michael Comeaux, Executive Director

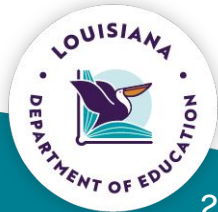


Cardiac Health Information for Student Athletes

[ACT 421](#) of the 2024 legislative session now requires all student athletes and their parents to be provided information on Sudden Cardiac Emergencies and Cardiac Health.

[Cardiac Health Information](#) and the [Cardiac Health Information Signature Page](#) for parents/guardians of student athletes is now available on the Safe and Healthy Schools webpage.

Contact healthyschools@la.gov for more information

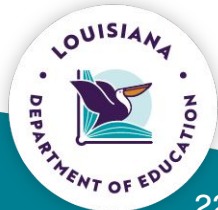


School Based Nursing Services

The [School Based Nursing Services Handbook](#) has been updated and can be found on the LDOE [Coordinated School Health](#) webpage.

Updates will be discussed during the next Safe and Healthy Schools February Community of Practice call.

Please contact Susan.Dupont@la.gov with questions.



AED Registration Reminder

[R.S. 40:1137.3](#) was updated in 2023 and now requires AEDs on site at ALL school campuses. The Bureau of Emergency Management Services (BEMS) has emailed schools to register AEDs with the Bureau.

Registration of AEDs is required and is available through BEMS for devices not yet registered.

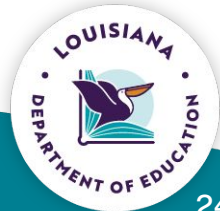
More information may be found through the [Jump Start Your Heart Program](#).

Please contact healthy_schools@la.gov with questions.



Updated: School Health Advisory Council Guidebook

[The Informational Guidebook for Improving School Health](#) is aimed at ensuring districts and schools are aligning their School Health Advisory Council's efforts to the Coordinated School Health approach as well as federal and state school health guidelines and laws, like the Local School Wellness Policy as an example.



Awards/Recognition



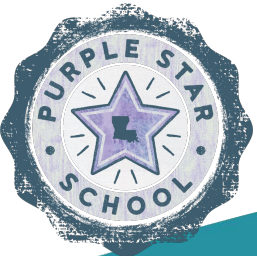
Purple Star School

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

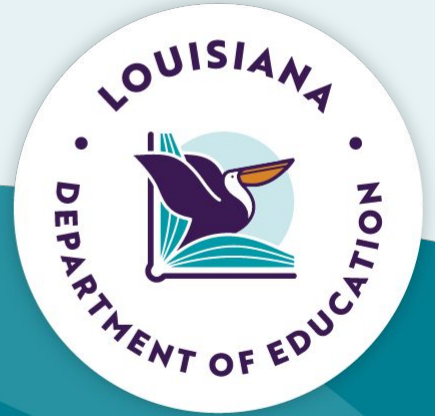
Other criteria and information can be found by visiting the [LDOE Awards page](#).



Contact highschoolacademics@la.gov with questions.



Connect with Our Office



Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Calls

Child Welfare and Attendance	<u>March 13 at 8 a.m.</u>
Alternative Education	<u>March 13 at 10 a.m.</u>
Office of Career and College Readiness	<u>March 20 at 3 p.m.</u>
Safe and Healthy Schools	<u>February 27 at 2 p.m.</u>

Contact tireka.cobb2@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:

Graduation Requirements; Dual Enrollment; Advanced Placement; General Information	highschoolacademics@la.gov
Jump Start 2.0	jumpstart@la.gov
Financial Aid; FAFSA Assistance	ldefinancialaid@la.gov
Course Choice / SCA	SCA@la.gov
Healthy Schools	healthyschools@la.gov
Pupil Progression Plans	PPP@la.gov

Contact Tireka.Cobb2@la.gov with questions.



Questions?

