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

Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Call

May 15, 2025



Office of Career and College Readiness

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

Student Support: TBD

• Transitional 9th Grade, Counselor Institutes, Professional School Counselor liaison, Individual Graduation Plan, High School Planning Guide, 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



Student Support



Bullying Reporting Requirements and Compliance

Under Bulletin 741 §1303, any school employee who witnesses or receives a report of bullying must report it to a school official. Failure to do so requires an investigation by the school governing authority.

School administrators shall be investigated if they fail to:

- Notify a parent/guardian of a bullying report
- Investigate the report in a timely manner
- Take prompt, appropriate disciplinary action
- Report criminal conduct to law enforcement

Each school system, charter school, and non-public school must report the number of employee suspensions related to failure to report bullying.

Please submit the <u>Failure to Act Reporting Form</u> by August 1.



Please contact <u>ernise.singleton@la.gov</u> with questions.

Alternative Education

<u>Registration</u> is now open for the 2025 National Alternative Education Association's Annual Conference. The NAEA Annual Conference is a space dedicated to advance the field of alternative education by sharing wisdom, knowledge and expertise with other like-minded educators and leaders.

- When: October 6-8
- Were: New Orleans, LA
- **Cost:** Registration \$595



Business and Industry Partnerships

Stephanie Marcum, Executive Director



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 on the LOSFA website (if you want TOPS only).



Fast Forward

Dr. Timberly Monaghan, Executive Director



Cohort Graduation Data Certification

La Data Review will open in April for accountability contacts to:

- Retrieve 2024 cohort graduation rosters and distribute them to schools
- Collect and submit requests for changes to data that will be used in the calculation of the graduation rate and related graduation indices used in the 2024 SPS

The department will continue to conduct exit code reviews for students exited as

transfers out of state (10), transfers to approved nonpublic schools (14) and transfers to BESE-approved home study (16.)



Please contact assessment@la.gov

College Board Professional Development Events

The College Board is offering several resources for counselors, AP teachers, and AP Coordinators.

- <u>2025 Fall Counselor Workshops (Virtual)</u> will include updates for SAT, AP, and higher education trends. (Various dates from August 26 September 11)
- <u>AP Coordinator Back-to-School Workshops (Virtual)</u> will focus on updates and resources for the upcoming school year. (Various dates from July 8 September 17)
- <u>2025 AP Annual Conference</u> will provide opportunities to learn, share, and gather the most current information about the AP Program.
 - When: July 16-18
 - Where: Boston, MA
 - **Cost:** Registration \$215-\$625

Contact fhordge@collegeboard.org with questions.



College Board Updates and Deadlines

Deadlines and Reminders:

- May 31: Deadline for AP African American Studies project scores for the <u>AP Digital Portfolio</u>.
- May 31: Deadline for AP Teachers to submit <u>AP Participant Grant</u> applications to attend AP Summer Institute (APSI).
- June 1: Deadline for College Board to <u>receive exam materials</u> from schools.
- June 15: Postmark deadline to return <u>AP Exam Invoices and Payments</u>.
- June 20: Deadline for students to indicate or change the recipient of their <u>free score report</u>.
- Please check out the <u>AP One Pager</u> for more information on test dates, resources, and common links.

Updates:

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



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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 \$700



Fast Forward Training Catalog

The <u>Fast Forward Training Catalog</u> provides a list of professional development and training opportunities available. The catalog includes virtual, in-person, and hybrid training options for many Industry Based Certifications (IBCs) on the State Focus list. Please be sure to check out the professional development offerings as they are updated regularly.



Contact <u>fastforward@la.gov</u> with questions.

Safe and Healthy Schools

Michael Comeaux, Executive Director



Physical Education and Adapted Physical Education Summer Institute

- <u>H&PE Summer Institute</u> Tuesday, June 3
- APE Summer Institute Wednesday, June 4

Southeastern Louisiana University's Kinesiology Gymnasium in Hammond

Registration is \$10 per institute, and includes lunch.

Please register by June 1.



Please contact healthyschools@la.gov with questions

National School Nurse Association Conference

<u>NASN's 57th Annual Conference</u> will be held this summer in Austin, Texas at the J.W. Marriott. School Nurses have two opportunities to attend this year.

- In-person-June 26-29
- Virtual conference July 7-9



Please contact susan.dupont@la.gov with questions

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 <u>LDOE Awards page</u>.





Connect with Our Office



Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Calls

Alternative Education	No June Call
Office of Career and College Readiness	No June Call
Safe and Healthy Schools	<u>May 27 at 2 p.m.</u>



Contact <u>angela.jordan@la.gov</u> with questions.

Helpful Information

Schedules, access links and information for the Department's webinars can be found in the <u>LDOE Weekly Newsletter</u> and <u>School</u> <u>System Support Calendar</u>. Please reach out to the following contacts with questions:

Graduation Requirements; Dual Enrollment; Advanced Placement; General Information	highschoolacademics@la.gov
Fast Forward/Jump Start 2.0	fastforward@la.gov
Course Choice / SCA	<u>SCA@la.gov</u>
Healthy Schools	<u>healthyschools@la.gov</u>
Pupil Progression Plans	<u>PPP@la.gov</u>



Contact <u>Tireka.Cobb2@la.gov</u> with questions.

Questions?

