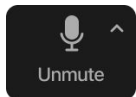
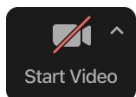


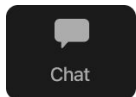
Zoom Meeting Preparation



- Please make sure your phone or computer is muted to minimize background noise.
 - To do this, hover over the bottom left-hand side of your screen and click “Mute.”



- Please make sure you have turned off your camera to save bandwidth and prevent any connectivity issues.
 - To do this, hover over the bottom left-hand side of your screen and click “Stop Video.”



- 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.



Educator Certification and Credentialing Monthly Call

November 17, 2025



Agenda

- Opening Remarks & Call Norms
- Processing by the Numbers
- Certification Policy Updates
- Educator Background Credentialing Updates
- Louisiana Educator Certification Portal Updates
- Certification Reminders
- Dates of Importance, Support, and Resources



ETWD Call Norms

- **Stay Muted Unless Speaking:** reduce background noise by keeping your microphone muted when not speaking.
- **Use Chat for Questions:** post questions in the chat and a team member will collect and will share answer(s) at the end.
- **Remain On Topic:** keep discussions aligned to the agenda.
- **Avoid Interruptions:** let others finish before responding.
- **Cameras On Encouraged:** while not required, having cameras on supports connection and engagement.
- **Engage Respectfully:** be concise, professional, and respectful in all contributions.



Certification & Credentialing Processing by the Numbers

- October 2025
 - 2,733 Applications Processed
 - Applications Solved within 24 business days
 - 4,052 Questions Solved
 - Questions Solved within 0.7 business days
 - 20,068 Clear Credentials were granted since January 1st.
 - 2,186 educators were cleared in the month of October.



Certification Updates



Praxis exam testing update

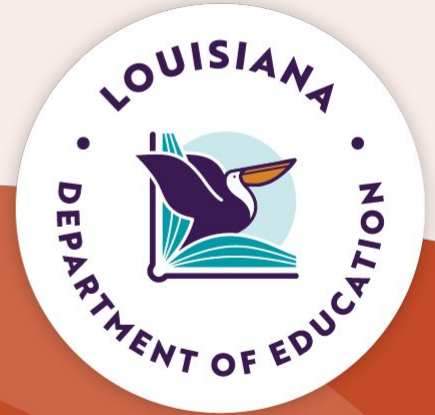
Beginning **October 1, 2025**, Educational Testing Services launched [Free After Three](#). To qualify, candidates must:

- Have their first test attempt on or after **October 1, 2025**.
- Have three or more registrations for the same test title.
- Have reported scores for each of those attempts.
- Be within five years of the date your third attempt scores were reported.

Additional details can be found on the [Free After Three flyer](#) on www.teachlouisiana.net.



Educator Background Credentialing



The “Clear Credential” is Not a Certificate

- Some applicants and employers are submitting certification requests with payment without a valid or active teaching certificate.
- Applicants are incorrectly citing the “Clear Credential” as a valid certificate.
- The [Clear Credential](#) is not a certificate; it is a notation indicating the individual has completed a criminal background check (CBC) for certification with no disqualifying convictions.
- Nothing can be added or changed to a Clear Credential record.
- Requests requiring a valid certificate may not be submitted unless an active teaching certificate is held.

Contact EducatorClearance@la.gov with questions or submit questions through the [Teacher Certification Help Portal](#).



Louisiana Educator Certification Portal



HR and Provider Access Requirements

LEC has been integrated into the [Louisiana Educator Portal](#) (LEP).

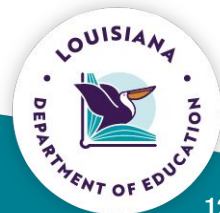
- Individuals granted HR or Preparation Provider permissions must be included in the Authorized Signatures on file with our office.
- Send a request through the [Teacher Certification Help Center](#) if you need guidance on requesting permissions or updating Authorized Signatures.



Who should I contact for support?

- K12 public school or public charter login issues: contact your local [security coordinator and/or data administrator](#). If unresolvable, your LEA contact can reach out to LDOE [Data Systems Support](#).
- Anyone not employed in a K12 traditional public or public charter school - preparation providers, candidates, and nonpublic personnel - can reach out to LDOE [Data Systems Support](#). If a site code cannot be provided, use 000.
- SSN Validation questions and questions about certification requirements or applications may be submitted through the [Teacher Certification Help Center](#).

For questions, contact [Teacher Certification Help Center](#).



New Features Added

- Clear All button added on In-State Experience Verification forms

In-State Experience with Upload Options

Teaching Experience:

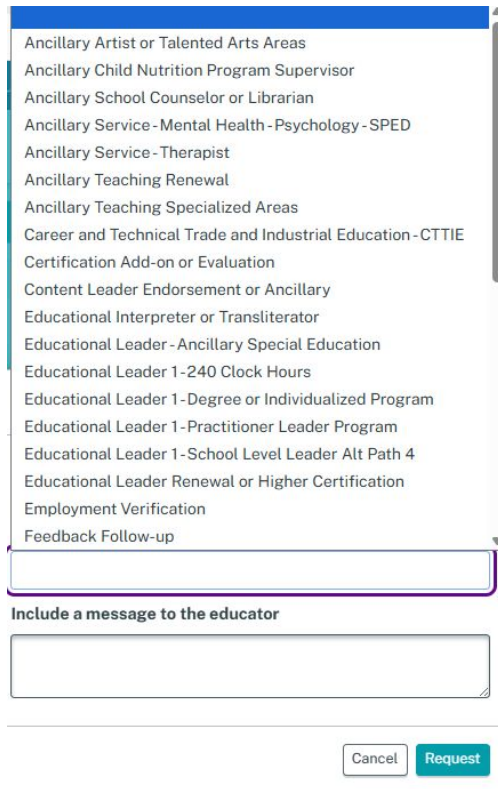
+ Add new record **Clear All**

School System	Name of School	Type Of School	Start date	End date	Current	Job Title	Subject	Grades	Method of Evaluation
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For questions, contact [Teacher Certification Help Center](#).



New Features Added



Ancillary Artist or Talented Arts Areas
Ancillary Child Nutrition Program Supervisor
Ancillary School Counselor or Librarian
Ancillary Service- Mental Health -Psychology - SPED
Ancillary Service- Therapist
Ancillary Teaching Renewal
Ancillary Teaching Specialized Areas
Career and Technical Trade and Industrial Education -CTTIE
Certification Add-on or Evaluation
Content Leader Endorsement or Ancillary
Educational Interpreter or Transliterator
Educational Leader - Ancillary Special Education
Educational Leader 1-240 Clock Hours
Educational Leader 1-Degree or Individualized Program
Educational Leader 1-Practitioner Leader Program
Educational Leader 1-School Level Leader Alt Path 4
Educational Leader Renewal or Higher Certification
Employment Verification
Feedback Follow-up

Include a message to the educator

Cancel Request

- Send Start Application Request picklist is now in alphabetical order

For questions, contact [Teacher Certification Help Center](#).



New Features Added

- **Search for an application...** functionality added to Active Applications

Active Applications

From

mm/dd/yyyy

Search for an application...

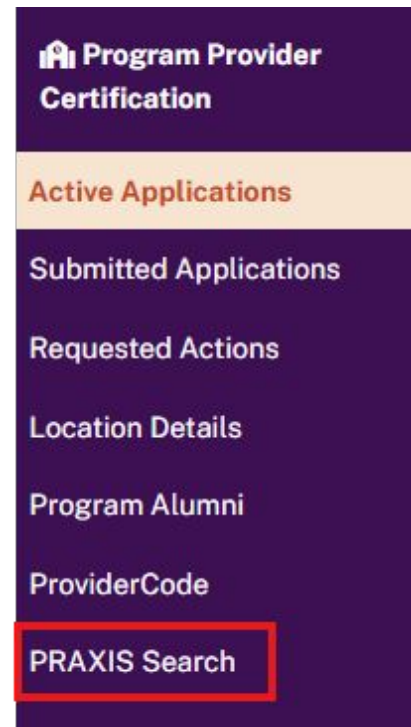
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For questions, contact [Teacher Certification Help Center](#).



New Features Added

- A PRAXIS Search feature is now available for authenticated Program Providers



For questions, contact [Teacher Certification Help Center](#).



New Features Added

- Application Directory with Preview

The screenshot shows the LEP Educator Portal interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Certification Help Center, My Educator Profile, Certification, and OTS. The left sidebar contains a user profile for LANA HUTCHINSON and a list of navigation options: My Applications, Add New Application, Application Directory (highlighted with a red box), Certification Help, Teach Louisiana Home, Add-on & Ancillary Endorsements, Verify a Certificate or Teaching Authorization, and Course Code & Area of Certification Finder. The main content area is titled 'Application Directory' and lists three application categories, each with a description and an 'Explore' button (highlighted with a red box):

- Ancillary Artist or Talented Arts Areas** (Fee: \$50.00)
Description: By completing this application, applicants may request issuance of an INITIAL ancillary teaching certificate in a specific art or talented art area. This is a stand-alone certificate issued to individuals holding qualifying degrees or specialized credentials. If you wish to RENEW an Ancillary Artist or Talented certificate you already hold, please see the Ancillary Teaching Renewal application. If you are seeking other Ancillary teaching areas, locate the application specific to the area you wish to request.
- Ancillary Child Nutrition Program Supervisor** (Fee: \$50.00)
Description: This application may be used to request an INITIAL or RENEWAL of the Ancillary Child Nutrition Program Supervisor certificate.
- Ancillary School Counselor or Librarian** (Fee: \$50.00)
Description: By completing this application, applicants may request an INITIAL Ancillary School Counselor or Ancillary Librarian certificate. Each Ancillary area is a stand-alone certificate issued to individuals

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Spotlight - Reading the Certificates Held

Many applications display the certificates held by the applicant to assist with determining the correct request to be made.

CERTIFICATES HELD				
NUMBER	CERTIFICATION TYPE	ISSUE DATE	VALID FROM	VALID TO
701112	CLEARCREDENTIAL - CLEARED FOR CREDENTIALING	07/30/2025		
655404	OFAT - OUT-OF-FIELD AUTHORITY TO TEACH	03/20/2023	07/01/2022	06/30/2025
655401	LEVEL 3 - TEACHING CERTIFICATE	03/20/2023	03/20/2023	03/20/2028
598689	LEVEL 1 - TEACHING CERTIFICATE	03/19/2019	03/19/2019	03/19/2023
564711	OFAT - OUT-OF-FIELD AUTHORITY TO TEACH	10/19/2016	07/01/2016	06/30/2019
562648	OS - OUT-OF-STATE CERTIFICATE	09/06/2016	09/06/2016	09/06/2019



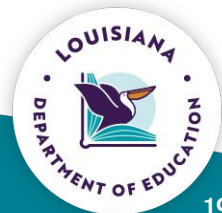
Available Resources

Resources posted on TeachLouisiana.net:

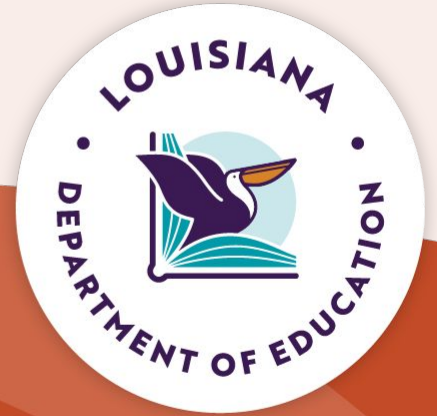
- User guides specific to each role
- Recorded training sessions for HR and Preparation Providers are available by logging in to an authorized account
- List of LEC applications with descriptions
 - [Alphabetical list](#)
 - [Crosswalk from PDF applications to LEC applications](#)
- [Logging into the Louisiana Educator Portal - Individual Applicants](#) article on the Teacher Certification Help Center

Louisiana Educator Portal

For questions, contact [Teacher Certification Help Center](#).



Dates of Importance, Supports, and Resources



Important Dates

November 19: [Preparation Provider Monthly Call](#)

November 27-28: Thanksgiving (State Office closed)

December 5: [System Leader Monthly Call](#)

December 9-10: [BESE Meetings](#)



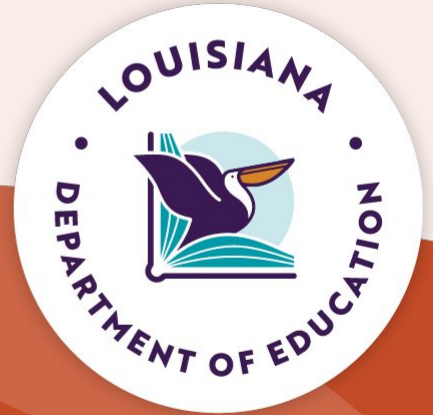


Supports and Resources

- [School System Support Calendar](#)
- [Educator Resource Guide](#)
- [School System Planning Resources](#)
- [Family Support Toolbox Library](#)
- [Certification Bulletin, Bulletin 746](#)
- [TeachLouisiana.net](#)
- [Louisiana Educator Portal \(LEP\)](#)



Certification Reminders



Certification Monthly Calls

Below are the dates for the 2025-2026 school year. Calls will be held on the following dates for this upcoming school year.

August 18, at 10:30 a.m.	September 15, at 10:30 a.m.	October 20, at 10:30 a.m.
November 17, at 10:30 a.m.	December 15, at 10:30 a.m.	January 26, at 10:30 a.m.
February 23, at 10:30 a.m.	March 16, at 10:30 a.m.	April 20, at 10:30 a.m.
May 18, at 10:30 a.m.	June 15, at 10:30 a.m.	July 20, at 10:30 a.m.

Please contact certification@la.gov with questions.

