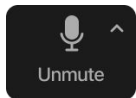
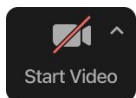


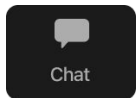
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- Please submit questions during the presentation in the “Chat” function located on the bottom of your screen.

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



Educator Certification and Credentialing Monthly Call

April 28, 2025



Certification Processing by the Numbers

- February 2025
 - 3257 Applications Processed
 - 61.47% Processed within 15 Business Days
 - Average Processing Time = 16 Business days
 - 1156 Questions Solved
 - Questions Solved within 0.9 Business Days Average
- March 2025
 - 2441 Applications Processed
 - 99.67% Processed within 15 Business Days
 - Average Processing Time = 6.9 Business days
 - 1106 Questions Solved
 - Questions Solved within 0.9 Business Days Average

Policy Updates



Bulletin 746 regarding Computer Science

Policy language update #1: §507. Professional Level Certificates

13. Beginning with the 2030-2031 school year, for all certification areas, an applicant for initial certification must have earned coursework or equivalent contact hours that include instruction on teaching students computer science, which may be incorporated into an existing course of study.

The department is aligning teacher certification policy with computer science legislation, computer science commission recommendations, and computer science policy proposed in *Bulletin 996*.



Bulletin 746 regarding Computer Science

Policy language update #2: §1315. *Requirements to Add a Secondary Specialty Content Area*

~~A3. complete three semester hours in the teaching of reading and literacy, or other literacy options in accordance with §1301 of this Part.~~

~~B.4. complete three semester hours in the teaching of reading and literacy, or other literacy options in accordance with §1301 of this Part.~~

The department is removing add-on literacy policy for **non-core** areas.



Bulletin 746 regarding English Learners

Policy language update #1: §507. Professional Level Certificates

14. Beginning with the 2031-2032 school year, for all certification areas, an applicant for initial certification must have earned coursework or equivalent contact hours that include instruction on teaching language acquisition strategies to support English Learners, which may be incorporated into an existing course of study.

The department is updating teacher certification policy to align with English Learner Task Force recommendations.



Pathways to Teaching and Leadership

- The [Pathways to Teaching](#) guidance document provides an overview of all certification requirements for each pathway into the teaching profession.
 - Use and share with prospective educators.
- On www.teachlouisiana.net, there is an [interactive Q and A](#) tool for determining steps towards obtaining Louisiana certification.
- The [Pathways to Leadership](#) guidance document provides an overview of all certification requirements for each pathway in Louisiana.
 - Use and share with prospective leaders.



Educator Background Credentialing



Clear Credential & Fingerprinting Best Practices

- **5,024 Clear Credentials** granted between January 1st and April 16th.
 - Use the correct service code for LDOE Certification - **27N5HQ**
 - Schedule in Louisiana to reduce fingerprinting fees
 - Fingerprint mail-in option available if too far from IdentoGO location
 - Provide SSN when scheduling/fingerprinting to match the CBC to existing certification records quickly
 - Provide personal email address
 - Format mailing address with ≤ 30 characters; use abbreviations, but do not include apostrophes or special characters
 - If “Clear Credential” not on appearing on www.teachlouisiana.net in three weeks or less, email EducatorClearance@la.gov.

Please contact educatorclearance@la.gov with questions.



Louisiana Educator Certification Portal



Changes to Resident & PL Application Process

When the new Louisiana Educator Certification portal is launched, some of the new applications will require additional documents or verifications.

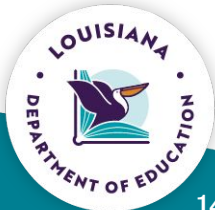
- Practitioner License (PL) Application
 - The Intent to Employ, completed by human resources, will require the assigned Mentor's name and a copy of their Mentor credential or waiver
 - A request to change **provider** or **program area** will be made on the initial PL application with a required upload of a withdrawal letter from the previous provider or area
 - A request to change **program type** with the same provider and area may be requested with the PL renewal application



Changes to Resident & PL Application Process

When the new Louisiana Educator Certification portal is launched, some of the new applications will require additional documents or verifications.

- Resident Teacher (R) Application
 - Verification from the hosting school system will be added, similar to the Intent to Employ, to be completed by the hosting HR office
 - Will require the assigned classroom-based Mentor's name and a copy of their Mentor credential or waiver
 - A Plan of Study will be required, similar to the PL
 - Applications for alternate-certification candidates will include verification of program admission requirements similar to the PL



Educator Development Updates

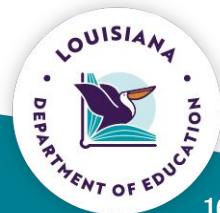


Content Leader Assessments

Effective June 19, 2025, BloomBoard will discontinue the Content Leader Assessment Series. Please complete the following steps:

- Participants who are actively completing the assessment series must complete by June 15, 2025 to earn credit for the program.
- Providers should contact current and past participants that have not completed the assessment series to inform them of the deadline to complete.
- We will share more information and next steps as they become available.

Please contact MentorandContentLeaders@la.gov with questions.

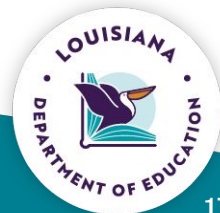


Mentor Teacher Assessments

Effective June 19, 2025, BloomBoard will pause the Mentor Teacher Assessment Series for updates.

- The revised model will launch on June 24, 2025.
- This updated model will include a price increase. The new cost is \$500

Please contact MentorandContentLeaders@la.gov with questions.



Louisiana Leadership Assessment Series

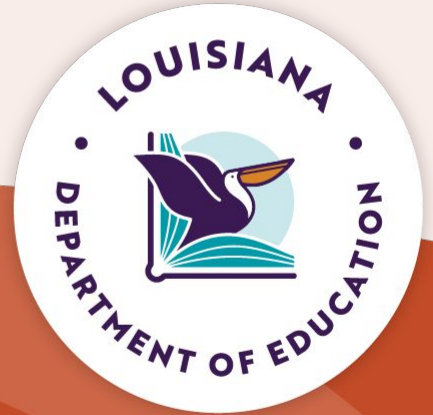
Effective June 19, 2025, BloomBoard will discontinue the Louisiana Leadership Assessment Series (LLAS). Please complete the following next steps:

- Participants who are actively completing the assessment series must complete by June 15, 2025 to earn credit for the program.

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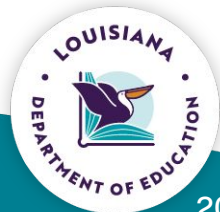
Certification Reminders



Teacher Leader Summit 2025

The Certification Team and Background Credentialing Team will be leading and facilitating sessions at the upcoming Teacher Leader Summit. Sessions will include the following topics:

- Want to Be Leader?
- An Alternate Pathway to School Leadership (240 Clock Hour Portfolio)
- Office Hours for HR/Preparation and Educators
- Decoding CBC's
- Ensuring Safe Classrooms



Certification Monthly Calls

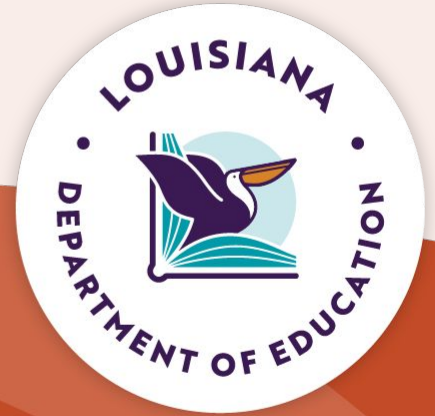
There is a [new zoom link](#) for the 2024-2025 school year. Calls will be held on the following dates for the new school year.

November 18, at 10:30 a.m.	December 16, at 10:30 a.m.	January 27, at 10:30 a.m.
February 24, at 10:30 a.m.	March 17, at 10:30 a.m.	April 28, at 10:30 a.m.
May 19, at 10:30 a.m.	June 16, at 10:30 a.m.	July 21, at 10:30 a.m.

Please contact certification@la.gov with questions.



Dates of Importance, Supports and Resources



Important Dates

April 30: [Preparation Provider Monthly Call](#)

April 30: SPED Fellow Application deadline

May 4: Teacher Leader Summit Registration
Deadline





Supports and Resources

- [School System Support Calendar](#)
- [Educator Resource Guide](#)
- [School System Planning Resources](#)
- [Family Support Toolbox Library](#)
- [Certification Bulletin, Bulletin 746](#)
- [Online Teacher Certification Portal, Teach LA Live!](#)
- [TeachLouisiana.net](#)

