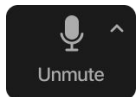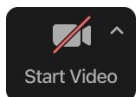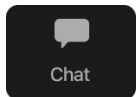# Zoom Meeting Preparation

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

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Educator Certification and Credentialing Monthly Call

June 16, 2025

Agenda

Opening Remarks

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Certification Reminders

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Certification Processing by the Numbers

- April 2025
    - 2582 Applications Processed
    - 99.85% Processed within 15 Business Days
    - Average Processing Time = 6.5 Business days
    - 1085 Questions Solved
    - Questions Solved within 0.8 Business Days Average
- May 2025
    - 2788 Applications Processed
    - 100% Processed within 15 Business Days
    - Average Processing Time = 5.25 Business days
    - 1213 Questions Solved
    - Questions Solved within 0.9 Business Days Average

Policy Updates

Pathways to Teaching and Leadership Podcast

- **Download & Listen to the [Pathways to Teaching podcast](#)**

Please forward to any prospective educator that is interested in the education profession.

Educator Background Credentialing

Clear Credential & Fingerprinting Resources

- **8,783 Clear Credentials** were granted between January 1st and June 9th.

- Clear Credential Information and Resources:
  - [Why require a CBC for Educator Certification?](#)
  - [What does "Clear Credential" mean?](#)
  - [Educator Fingerprinting Packet](#)
  - [Certification Suspension, Revocation, & Reinstatement](#)

- If "Clear Credential" does not appear on www.teachlouisiana.net in three weeks or less following fingerprinting under service code **27N5HQ**, email EducatorClearance@la.gov.

Please contact EducatorClearance@la.gov with questions.

Required Reporting

Employing school systems shall notify LDOE (within 10 days) if a credentialed educator resigns or is terminated due to:

- Felony conviction or plea (including all crimes in R.S. 15:587.1)
- Test security violation or cheating

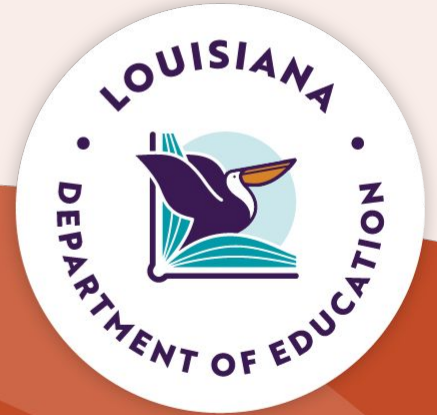LDOE will notify the educator in writing, giving 10 days to dispute or verify mistaken identity.

Other reporting pathways include but are not limited to:

- Rap backs
- Anonymous tips
- Third-party reports (media alerts)
- Educators self-report

Please contact EducatorClearance@la.gov with questions.

Louisiana Educator Certification Portal

Louisiana Educator Certification Portal

Tentative Implementation Plan
- Alpha testing - Beginning June 16 (two weeks)
- Beta testing - Beginning July 7 (two weeks)
- Anticipated launch date - July 28

Authorized User Partnership Planning
- Training sessions for all authorized users are anticipated during beta testing and initial launch periods - watch for future announcements
- Once LEC is launched, the window to submit any remaining PDF applications will be approximately two weeks.
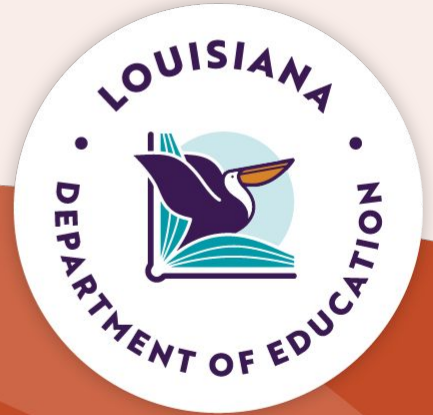 - Plan to submit any PDF applications quickly as we approach the launch date for LEC

Louisiana Educator Certification Portal

Additional updates include:
- Requesting two or more areas on the CTTIE application will require a $25 processing fee
- Requests for Course Approval for more than four courses will also require an additional processing fee
- All applications and follow-up submissions will be initiated by the **educator**.
  - HR and Prep can send a request to start the application
  - Automated routing to HR &/or Prep for additional verification
- Automated CBC/Clear Credential verification - Applicants will be unable to start an application unless a CBC/Clear Credential is on file

Educator Development Updates
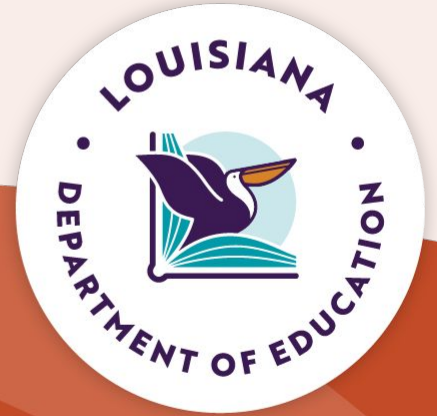
Content Leader and Mentor Teacher

If any vendor that is interested in becoming a vendor to assess the content leader and mentor teacher portfolios, we have a tentative launch date for applications for June 24, 2025.

We will be sending out more information to all vendors later this week.

Please contact mentorandcontentleaders@la.gov with questions

Dates of Importance, Supports and Resources

Important Dates

June 16-27: Alpha Testing for LEC

June 19: Juneteenth (State Offices Closed)

June 25: <u>Preparation Provider Monthly Call</u>

July 4: Fourth of July (State Offices Closed)

July 7-18: Beta Testing for LEC
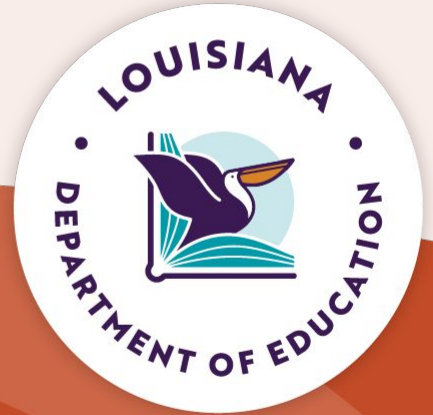
July 28: Go Live date for LEC

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](#)

Certification Reminders

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.

Changes to Resident & PL Application Process

When the new Louisiana Educator Certification (LEC) 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

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- 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
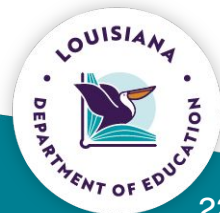
Content Leader Assessments

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 have completed 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.

- In the coming weeks we will be sharing information with any providers wishing to score portfolios on how they may apply to do so.
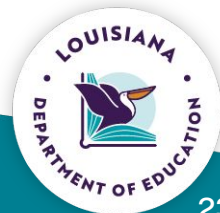
Mentor Teacher Assessments

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

- Again, in the coming weeks we will be sharing information with any providers wishing to score portfolios on how they may apply to do so.

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 have completed by June 15, 2025 to earn credit for the program.