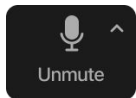
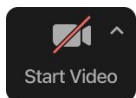


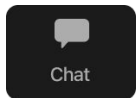
Zoom Meeting Preparation



- Please make sure your phone or computer is muted to minimize background noise.
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- Please make sure you have turned off your camera to save bandwidth and prevent any connectivity issues.
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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

May 19, 2025



Certification Processing by the Numbers

- 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
- 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

Office Hours Update

The Certification Office will be making a few changes to our Office Hours for the following dates:

- Week of **June 2-6**: Office Hours on Monday and Tuesday only
- Week of **June 9-13**: Office Hours held in person at Teacher Leader Summit
- Week of **June 16-20**: Office Hours on Wednesday and Thursday only

For the months of July and August, we are reducing the number of time slots. See schedule below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:00am-10:00am		9:00am-10:00am	9:00am-10:00am
3:00pm-4:00pm	3:00pm-4:00pm		3:00pm-4:00pm



Policy Updates



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



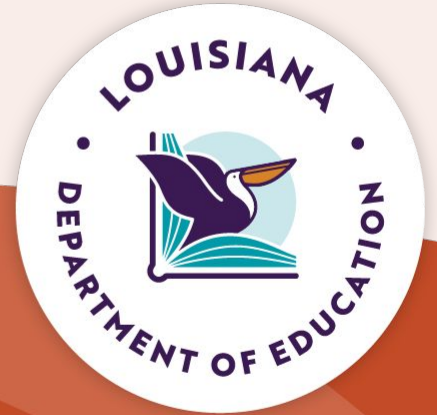
Clear Credential & Fingerprinting Resources

- **6,629 Clear Credentials** granted between January 1st and May 12th.
- 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.



Louisiana Educator Certification Portal



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



Louisiana Educator Certification Portal

Tentative Implementation Plan

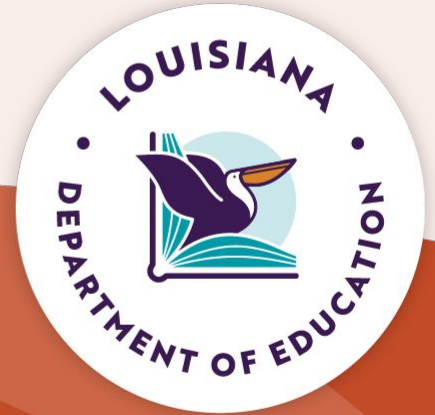
- Alpha testing - Beginning June 16 (two weeks)
- Beta testing - Beginning July 7 (two weeks)
- Anticipated launch date - July 28

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



Educator Development Updates

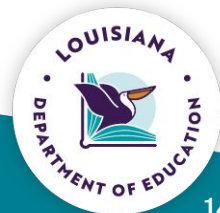


Content Leader Assessments

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

Please contact MentorandContentLeaders@la.gov with questions.

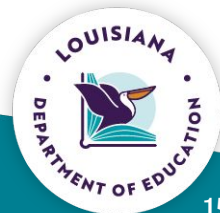


Mentor Teacher Assessments

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
- 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.

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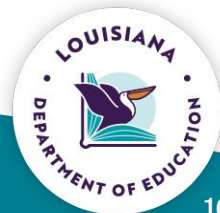


Louisiana Leadership Assessment Series

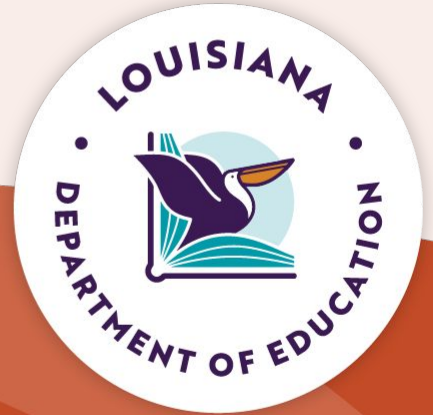
Effective June 19, 2025, BloomBoard will discontinue the Louisiana Leadership Assessment Series (LLAS). Please complete the following next steps:

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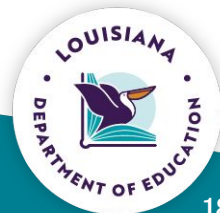
Certification Reminders



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 Criminal Background Checks: Interpreting Results and Understanding Certification Consequences
- Ensuring Safe Classrooms: The Role of Criminal Background Checks in Teacher Certification



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



May 20: [Assessment and Accountability Call](#)

May 26: Memorial Day (State Offices closed)

May 28: [Preparation Provider Monthly Call](#)

June 10-12: Teacher Leader Summit





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](#)

