Educational Technology Monthly Call

April 10, 2025



Agenda

- Digital Learning Updates
- E-Rate Updates
- Important Reminders and Other Information
- Trafera



Digital Learning Updates





A New Story for LOUISIANA EDUCATION

Registration is now open!

Registration for this event will be on a first-come, first-served basis. As space is limited, early registration is encouraged. **There** will be no on-site registration.

Regular Registration: \$299 (March 15-April 18)







Featured Summit Sessions

To further support high-quality instruction, this year's Teacher Leader Summit will include sessions that focus on the following topics:



Computer Science and STEM:

- Unpacking the new K-12 Louisiana Student Standards for Computer Science
- Supporting computer science standards implementation for educators and leaders
- Trainings teachers in computer science via Ignite (K-5) and Energize (6-12)
- Applying hands-on STEM strategies and connecting students with STEM careers



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EdTech:

- AI in Education: Includes sessions on transforming instruction, personalized learning, and AI for professional learning.
- Key Digital Tools: Focuses on using Kami for diverse learners and feedback, and Microsoft OneNote for professional learning.
- Subject-Specific Tech: Enhancing World Language and EL instruction with digital tools.
- EdTech Themes: Covering tech-readiness, digital citizenship, and digital tools for deeper learning.

LACUE Technology Leadership Summit

- This year's <u>LACUE Technology</u> <u>Leadership Summit</u> will be held June 16-18 in Lafayette, LA.
- LACUE is now accepting <u>proposals for presentations</u>. The proposal portal will close on **April 16**. Notification of accepted proposals will be sent by April 30.
- Early Bird Registration is also open and will be available until May 16.



Instructional Materials Review Update

Recently Published Tech Readiness Endorsement

The LDOE recently launched a <u>Tech Readiness Endorsement</u> for Tier 1 materials to support school systems in selecting materials. The following curricula have successfully obtained the Tech Readiness Endorsement.

Publisher	Titles	Core Subjects
Imagine Learning	Imagine Learning EL Education, K-2 Imagine Learning EL Education, 3-5 Imagine Learning, Guidebooks, 6-8 Imagine Learning, Guidebooks, English I-IV Imagine Learning, Illustrative Math, K-5 Imagine Learning, Illustrative Math, 6-8 Imagine Learning, Illustrative Math, Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II	ELA/Math

Tech Readiness Endorsement





Appendix III.

Tech Ready Endorsement





Zearn for SY 2025-2026

Zearn School Licenses are available for the 2025-2026 school year.

System leaders should complete the <u>School Account Confirmation Form</u> to express your interest in continuing Zearn engagement by May 1.

Remember to

- monitor student engagement of three grade-level lessons per week;
- encourage teachers to check reports; and
- celebrate schools, classes, teachers and students meeting goals.

Math Summer Learning Guidance



EdTech Resources

The LDOE has just released two exciting new resources to support EdTech integration:

- <u>Video Creation Support and Tools for World Language</u> provides practical guidance and tools to enhance engagement and communication in World Language through video projects.
- <u>Digital Citizenship and Artificial Intelligence</u> empowers students with the skills to navigate the digital world responsibly and understand the basics of Al.

Visit the LDOE Digital Learning page for more upcoming resources and updates.

E-Rate Program Updates



Supreme Court Hearing on Constitutionality of USF

The Supreme Court will begin heard oral arguments on March 26 regarding the validity of the Universal Service Fund program. The main argument of the Consumers' Research group is the funding for USF is a tax and should be overseen by congress. Based on the questions posed by the justices it did not appear to agree with the Consumers Research arguments. Additionally there is some bi-partisan support to provide legislation, if needed, to ensure the Federal Communications can continue operating the USF program as they have been doing.

For those interested in a more legal perspective on the Supreme Court hearing, you can watch last week's recorded Schools Health & Libraries Broadband Coalition (SHLB) webinar entitled Debriefing the SCOTUS USF Oral Arguments.

E-Rate Training at LaCUE TLS

LDOE with support from several of our current/past E-Rate consultants are submitting proposals to provide a beginner, intermediate and advanced E-Rate Training. If you have not signed up for TLS, please consider registering and attending these sessions. Even if your school system utilizes a consultant to assist in filing, all E-Rate rules and regulations are tied to the school. It is extremely important that school systems understand what they are filing and being reimbursed for in the E-Rate program as well as ensuring proper documentation in case of an audit.



Upcoming Dates

April 9 - Scheduled confirmation hearing of the Senate Commerce Committee for Olivia Trusty, the White House nominee for the third Republican seat on the Federal Communications Commission.

April 11 - FY 2024 Form 486 deadline for Wave 34. The Form 486 deadline is 120 days after the FCDL date, or the service start date (typically July 1st), whichever is later. The next Form 486 deadlines for FY 2024 are:

- **April 18** Wave 35
- April 25 Wave 36
- May 2 Wave 37
- May 9 Wave 38

May 28 - Extended invoice deadline for FY 2023 non-recurring service FRNs with approved extensions beyond the original January 28, 2025, deadline.

June 30 - Last day to receive FY 2024 recurring services.

Upcoming Dates

July 1 - Withdrawal deadline for selected Cybersecurity Pilot participants opting not to continue in the Program.

September 15 - Close of the Cybersecurity Pilot Form 471 application window and deadline for filing the Form 484 Part 2.

Education Technology Monthly Webinar & Meeting Dates



2024-2025 Education Technology **Monthly Webinars**

Slides from each meeting will be posted on the <u>Educational Technology Leaders website</u>. Recordings are available on request. A complete calendar of LDOE events can be found on the Louisiana Believes website.

Webinar Date and Time: May 8 at 9 a.m.

Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/575223228?pwd=NDNlN01SS3c0Rk4wV25aNkZhTEc2Zz09

Webinar Phone Number: Meeting ID#: 575 223 228

Meeting Password: 2020-202!



Reminders



Whitelisting for Curriculums

The new Bayou Bridges and Foundations of Freedom Curriculum utilizes resources found on various websites. IT Directors & CTOs should work with their curriculum department to determine what resources are needed to support student learning while ensuring security and CIPA compliance. A current list of resource sites, as of March 2025, for each curriculum can be found here. As we become aware of new resource websites, we will update this list.

Canvas LMS Pilot Program for K-12 Public Schools

LDOE is excited to invite public K-12 school systems and charter schools to join our statewide Canvas Learning Management System (LMS) Pilot Program. The goal of the <u>Canvas LMS Pilot</u> is to support Louisiana's Academic Plan to enhance K-12 educational outcomes by prepare students for a seamless transition to higher education where Canvas is used.

- Access to Canvas LMS for K-12 students and educators. Training, implementation, and support are **included** at **no cost** to school systems.
- Student access began on January 1, 2025 and will end on June 30, 2026.
- Limited space is still available to join the pilot. Apply today.



FTC Updates to COPPA

The FTC finalized changes to the Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule (COPPA), strengthening protections for children's personal information online.

Key updates include:

- Parental opt-in required for targeted ads and data sharing with third parties.
- **Limits on data retention** to prevent indefinite storage of children's personal information.
- **Increased transparency** for Safe Harbor programs with public reporting requirements.
- **Expanded definition of personal information** to include biometric and government-issued identifiers.



EdLink Security: LEP and Canopy Access

All PK-12 Public School Staff must have an <u>EdLink Security</u> account to access the new <u>Louisiana Education</u> Portal (LEP) and Canopy, the state's professional learning platform. New Users should follow the steps in the <u>EdLink Security New User Guide</u> to create their account.

LEP and Canopy Access User Requirements:

- Must have MyLa user credentials.
- Must have a 2025 eScholar record with current MyLa user ID.
- Must be included in the 2024-25 EdLink 360 staff file extract.

eScholar MyLa

Important Account Information:

- Names must match exactly across MyLa, eScholar, and EdLink 360 records.
- Users must sign in to **EdLink Security** with the same MyLa user ID listed in the **eScholar staff record**.
- Districts should submit staff's district email address through eScholar or the EdLink 360 staff file extract.
- Users must sign in to **EdLink Security** to sync updates to MyLa and eScholar.
- eScholar syncs overnight with EdLink Security allow 24 hours for updates to reflect in user accounts.

EdLink Security Guide

EdLink Security Troubleshooting Guide

A <u>Troubleshooting Guide</u> has been developed for EdLink Security Security Coordinators to identify and resolve common user account issues.

If you are a District Security Coordinator, please refer to the Troubleshooting Guide before submitting a <u>System Support</u> ticket.

Also refer to the <u>Security Coordinator Quick</u> Guide.



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Technology and Security Contacts

Based on recent events it is even more important that OTS has the correct information for all security contacts at **all** school systems. This includes:

- Name
- Title
- Work Phone
- Work Fmail
- Cell Phone Number

Please update your LEA's contact information here if you have not already done so.



Technology Readiness Tool (TRT) Data Request

- In accordance with Revised Statutes §3921.2. Statewide Educational Technology Plan, school systems should submit required technology information, ensuring they meet the standards for devices, Internet bandwidth, software applications, and local network capacity to provide a high-quality digital instructional environment.
- The Technology Readiness Tool (TRT) helps LDOE collect information about technology infrastructure across districts and individual schools. TRT data will be used for the school system's digital footprint, which will be published on the LDOE website and will support future technology planning.
- Please see the <u>2024 TRT Collection Instructions</u> for a step-by-step submission guide and resources.
- Data should be submitted via the <u>2024 TRT Collection Form</u> and was due by November 1. If you have not submitted, please do so as soon as possible.