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Summary

Mia Matherne welcomed the presenters for the 2026 Teacher Leader Summit, detailing its theme "Big Ideas Start Here," and confirming the dates (May 26-28) and location (New Orleans Ernest Morale Convention Center), while emphasizing the need for timely arrival on day one. Presenters must use a specific link for complimentary registration, communicate any changes to LDOE events at la.gov, and submit all presentation deck revisions on the shared Google slide deck by March 20th to their LDOE point of contact for review, and they must respond to comments without resolving them. To accommodate the large number of participants, the LDOE has partnered with MCCNO to offer an exclusive presenter buffet, and Adam Dibenedetto and Reagan Lincoln assisted Dian Pellegrin and Nate Hurn with accessing and updating their Speaker Resource Center profiles.

Details

- **Welcome and Opening Remarks:** The meeting began with Mia Matherne welcoming all participants, noting that they are presenters for this year's Teacher Leader Summit ([00:00:00](#)). Mia Matherne confirmed that the deck link would be shared in the chat periodically for attendees to reference the covered topics. The agenda for the call included covering important information and reviewing changes implemented for the year ([00:00:00](#)).

- **Teacher Leader Summit 2026 Details:** The 2026 Teacher Leader Summit is an annual professional learning conference for Louisiana's birth through grade 12 educators and content experts, helping them prepare for the 2026-2027 school year. The theme is "Big Ideas Start Here," and the summit dates are Tuesday, May 26 to Thursday, May 28, at the New Orleans Ernest Morale Convention Center. The summit will feature a wide range of sessions led by LDOE staff, partner organizations, and educators from across Louisiana ([00:02:07](#)).
- **Summit Schedule and Location Logistics:** Day one of the summit includes an opening session from 9:00 AM to approximately 10:00 AM, and presenters must be in their presentation rooms by 10:15 AM. Presenters need to be mindful of their room location and the time needed to walk from the opening session due to large crowds and the size of the convention center ([00:03:17](#)). The Education Expo has been extended to include day three, Thursday, to allow vendors continued opportunity to reach people ([00:04:32](#)).
- **Presenter Registration and Access:** Presenters must use the provided link to ensure they receive complimentary registration, and anyone who has already registered needs to make arrangements to transfer that registration if a presenter change occurs. Any presenter changes should be communicated to LDOE events at la.gov, which allows the prior presenter to transfer the registration to the new presenter. Registration includes event access, lunch on May 26th and 27th, and a T-shirt ([00:04:32](#)).
- **Presentation Deck Revisions and Deadlines:** Each speaker will be assigned an LDOE point of contact who will share a new Google slide deck link for the official copy that will be used for the Teacher Leader Summit. Presenters must make all revisions and modifications on the shared deck link, as proprietary slide decks will not be shared on the professional learning platform after the summit ([00:05:31](#)). Presenters must complete all revisions by March 20th to allow the deck to move to final copy editing ([00:06:42](#)).
- **Review Process and Comment Management:** The LDOE point of contact will act as a thought partner to ensure strong objectives, HQPL cycle alignment, and opportunities for engagement in the session. When working through revisions noted in the comments, presenters should respond to the comment stating the issue is complete, but they must not resolve or close out the comment, as LDOE staff will handle that after multiple layers of review ([00:06:42](#)). Presenters should also be prepared for possible new requested revisions during the copy editing phase ([00:07:55](#)).

- **Scheduling and Presenter Lunch Accommodation:** Should special scheduling needs or conflicts arise, presenters are asked to communicate this to their point of contact; requests regarding the presentation day can likely be accommodated, but flexibility on presentation times is requested ([00:07:55](#)). To address the past difficulty of presenting and accessing lunch with 8,000 participants, the LDOE has partnered with MCCNO to offer a presenter buffet exclusively for presenters on the second floor. Presenters must use their presenter badge for entry, and guests are not permitted at the presenter luncheon ([00:09:03](#)).
- **Next Steps and Future Webinars:** Presenters must complete their registration as soon as possible and work on deck revisions, which are due by March 20th. Additional mandatory webinars concerning logistical aspects of presenting at the summit are scheduled for May 4th at 1:00 PM and May 6th at 4:00 PM ([00:10:04](#)) ([00:15:07](#)). For any further questions, attendees were instructed to email LDOEevents@la.gov ([00:10:04](#)) ([00:14:17](#)).
- **Speaker Resource Center Access and Profile Updates:** Dian Pellegrin raised a question about logging into the Speaker Resource Center without login information, and Adam Dibenedetto clarified that they need to create a login using the email address the speaker resource email was sent to, which will then send a code to access their profile ([00:10:58](#)). Nate Hurn followed up on updating their profile, and Adam Dibenedetto explained that by clicking "my profile" on the top tab, they can update their profile picture and biography directly on the site ([00:13:27](#)). Reagan Lincoln demonstrated how to use the profile tab to edit their information, including name, title, company, bio, and to upload a picture ([00:15:07](#)).

Suggested next steps

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Transcript

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Mia Matherne: Good morning everyone. Thank you so much for joining us. Welcome in. Good morning. Good morning. Happy Friday everyone.

Justin Wax: Good

Mia Matherne: Good morning.

LC Gifted: Good

Misty Falting: Good

Mia Matherne: Good morning.

Troy Glorioso: Good

Mia Matherne: Okay,

Justin Wax: Morning.

Patricia Smith: Good

Mia Matherne: we will wait about about two minutes. Just giving everyone opportunity to hop in. But I hope everyone is having a fantastic Friday. We're super excited to have all of you as presenters this year at Teacher Leader Summit. Britney, did you have a question before we started? Did you mean to raise your hand?

Brittney Rosenbach: Nope.

Mia Matherne: Okay. All right. No worries. All right, if you're just joining us, welcome in. Hope everyone is having a fantastic Friday. We'll wait about one more minute before we start. All right, it is 10:02, so we will go ahead and begin our uh webinar for this morning. Um again, thank you so much for joining us. I hope everyone is having a fantastic Friday.

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Mia Matherne: Um periodically throughout the meeting, um my friends will be dropping link to the deck in the chat. Um, so if you need that information and need to reference back any of the topics that we covered today, you will have access to that. All right, so here's our agenda for today's call. Um, at the end of the call, definitely feel free to

unmute or type your questions in the chat, but we do have quite a bit of information to cover with you today, including some changes um that we've implemented this year that I think you're going to like. Um, so this is our agenda. Um, and of course, we are always so thankful to the many educators and partner organizations who give their time, knowledge, and expertise to help create and lead sessions each year. Your support is a huge part of what makes Teacher Leader Summit a success, and we really appreciate everything that you do. All right, we're going to talk just some generalizations here about Teacher Leader Summit. The 2026 Teacher Leader Summit is an annual professional learning conference that brings together Louisiana's birth to grade 12 educators and content experts.

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Mia Matherne: Educators participating in the in the event will share their knowledge, learn new skills, and prepare for the 2627 school year. And so our theme this year is big ideas start here. The dates for the summit are uh Tuesday, February February, not February, May 26 to Thursday, May 28th. Um and so we did move it back to that week of Memorial Day this year. Um our dates are always um contingent upon what the the convention center has available to us. And then the location of course is the same place, the New Orleans Ernest Morale Convention Center in New Orleans. All right, just a little about information. So, the 2026 Teacher Leader Summit will feature a wide range of sessions led by LDOE staff, partner organizations, and educators across Louisiana, giving participants the opportunity to choose topics that best support their professional learning. And next, we'll cover just a few slides that will provide you with the summit schedule. Um, here is the schedule for day one. It is very important that you are in place in your presentation room by 10:15 after opening session.

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Mia Matherne: Um so notice that opening session runs from um 9:00 to approximately 10 o'clock. We do try to wrap it up um a little before 10. I think it ended a little after 9:45 last year um just to give you the opportunity uh to be able to get to your meet your room, your session room. And you know, we know that the convention center is a large space. Um, and so sometimes it takes a moment to get up those escalators that everybody else is trying to get up. Um, so I know that many of you will be attending that opening

session. Uh, again, please be mindful of your room location and the time it will take for uh for you to walk to your presentation room as like I mentioned, crowds leaving that opening session are usually um quite a few people. All right. And then here is the schedule for day two. Everything has pretty much remained the same um from last year's schedule. Um with the exception of um on day three here, you'll see that the education expo is actually still going to be happening on day three.

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Mia Matherne: Uh we did want to give our vendors the opportunity to um still reach people on that third day. And so we did extend the education expo to that last day on the Thursday. Next, we'll cover some slides um on registration. Um so, really important info here. Please use the link that's on this slide to register. This ensures that you have a complimentary registration. If you have already registered, please make arrangements to transfer that registration to someone else. Should a presenter change, please notify LDOE events at la.gov. Once the LDOE has this update, the registration can be transferred by the prior presenter to the new presenter. Your ticket grants access to attend other sessions taking place during the event. And then registration includes lunch on May 26th and 27th and of course, as usual, our t-shirt. Next, we're going to cover a little about the presentations themselves. Each speaker will be assigned a point of contact from the LDOE team who will reach out to you no later than today.

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Mia Matherne: So, some of you should have been uh receiving communication from your point of contact at this point. Your point of contact will share a new Google slide deck link and discuss any revisions that may be needed. Please note that this is the official copy being used for Teacher Leader Summit 2026. So what your point of contact shares with you, the link to that deck is what will be presented at teacher leader summit um and where revisions and modifications to the deck um will happen. So just make sure that all revisions are happening on that deck link that's shared with you. Proprietary slide decks will not be shared on our professional learning platform after teacher leader summit. So on this slide you'll see some simple formatting issues um specifically aligned to our branding that we will try to correct as much as possible for you. Um, but just make sure that you are noting those revisions, which you do have access to that.

And that this information was on a slide um on the template, but just make sure that you're being mindful of this information, but we will try to fix as much as that as much of this as possible prior uh to you having to make revisions.

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Mia Matherne: Your point of contact serves as a valuable thought partner to ensure there are strong objectives, HQPL cycle alignment, and opportunities for engagement in your session. As you work through the revisions noted in the comments, please respond to the comment that the issue is complete. Always allow an LDOE staff to close out the comment. So, please once you fix something, do not hit resolve because we're just going to open that comment back up again. Um it everything goes through multiple layers of review sometimes looking at decks many times before they're actually approved to um be it presented uh at MCCNO and so just be sure that you are not resolving those comments. Revisions should be completed by March 20th so the deck can move to final copy editing. It is possible that you will have new requested revisions during copy editing. Please address comment that it um and then just comment that it's been complete just like you would for the other comments and allow the LDOE staff to close out those comments or resolve those comments. All right, so a little scheduling.

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Mia Matherne: Um, so we did add this this year for you to be able to choose um like if you have specific um days that you would like to present, but should you require special scheduling needs due to conflicts, please communicate communicate this with your point of contact, we should be able to accommodate requests as far as the day that you present, but we do ask that you are flexible um on the times that you present in that day. Once scheduling is finalized, your point of contact will notify you of your session location, date, and time. And this is new uh this year. We did hear you guys in years past. Um the LD the LDOE recognizes that presenting and having lunch with 8,000 participants is challenging. Um even though that lunch space is gigantic, it is still difficult to be able to get in line, get your food, and be able to make it back to your session rooms. We understand that. So, to better facilitate this, we have partnered with MCCNO to have a presenter buffet just for you on the second floor.

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Mia Matherne: Um, no one else will be allowed in there. You're going to have to use your presenter badge to be able to get in. Presenters should not bring guests to the presenter luncheon. So, again, you will have to use your badge to enter. Um, only if you have a presenter badge will you be allowed in that space. However, if you do want to eat in hall C, you are more than welcome to do that. We just wanted to offer this space to you because we do understand um that time, you know, being able to get in line, get your food, get back to the session room um has been an issue in the past. So, we wanted to give you that opportunity. All right, some next steps pertaining to today's call. So, please be sure um that you are abiding by these timelines. So, just make sure that you complete your registration as soon as possible if you have not done so yet. Uh work on those revisions to your deck. that's going to be requested um within the the debt comments and those are due by March 20th.

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Mia Matherne: And then we will have another webinar um on March uh 4th at 1 p.m. or I'm sorry May on May 4th at 1 p.m. or on May 6 uh at 400 pm. Uh so this is going to be more about the logistical aspects of presenting at Teacher Leader Summit and so we do definitely need everyone on those calls as well. All right. And I did run through that sort of quickly. Um, so please raise your hand. Um, or just simply unmute if you have a question. We can take those at this time. Um, but if you do have questions later and you would like to email us, we are happy to take those as well. Just email loovents atla.gov. Um, and we will for sure get you answers. But does anyone have any questions? Are there any questions in the

Reagan Lincoln: There are not any questions in the chat,

Mia Matherne: chat?

Reagan Lincoln: but uh it may have been turned off. So, definitely come off mute if you have a question.

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Mia Matherne: And again, you will have access to this deck that will be linked in the chat. Um, so you can go back and review it again. Any questions at all?

DIAN PELLEGRIN: I have a question.

Mia Matherne: Yes. Switching

DIAN PELLEGRIN: I did receive I did receive um an email to the speaker resource center

Mia Matherne: up.

DIAN PELLEGRIN: and um when I go to log in I don't have any information for logging in

Reagan Lincoln: I believe you.

Mia Matherne: I'll let you take

Reagan Lincoln: Yeah,

DIAN PELLEGRIN: like

Reagan Lincoln: I believe you have to create a login.

Mia Matherne: out

Adam Dibenedetto: Yeah. So, it it'll take you through um it'll take you through putting your first la first and last name.

Reagan Lincoln: Um

Adam Dibenedetto: And then there's also a box for your email. You'll just have to um use the email that you you typically use like between you and your point of contact

Mia Matherne: Stop.

Adam Dibenedetto: with the LDOE. And then uh it'll send you a code and you'll be able to go put that code in and it'll bring you straight to your profile from there because I I just did it and added

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Mia Matherne: Adam knows this because he just did it last night because he's

Adam Dibenedetto: my picture.

Reagan Lincoln: Yeah.

Adam Dibenedetto: But please let us know if you have any issues with

Mia Matherne: also

Reagan Lincoln: Yeah. It's going to be whatever email address that the speaker resource email came to. It's going to force you to use that one. We can always change it afterwards if we need to,

Adam Dibenedetto: it.

Reagan Lincoln: but to get that initial setup.

DIAN PELLEGRIN: Okay, thank you so much

Mia Matherne: You're welcome.

Nate Hurn: I have a quick followup on that also if you don't mind. Um, and so when I logged into that and then I look at my tasks,

Reagan Lincoln: There's

Mia Matherne: Sure.

Nate Hurn: it says update your profile picture and add your biography. Is that something Reagan? Do I just forward that off to you directly or is there a place to upload that here on the

Reagan Lincoln: a place to do it right on the site.

Nate Hurn: site?

Adam Dibenedetto: Yeah, Nate. And if you click my my profile on the top tab, that's where you'll be able to update it.

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Nate Hurn: Oh, perfect. Okay. Yeah.

Adam Dibenedetto: And then the other little piece is just a checklist for you to kind of check off that you did

Nate Hurn: Got

Adam Dibenedetto: complete

Nate Hurn: perfect. Cool. Thank you guys.

Reagan Lincoln: Yeah, we kind of threw that in at the last second this morning,

Mia Matherne: welcome.

Reagan Lincoln: so it's not part of the slide deck with any kind of screenshot. So, apologies for that.

Mia Matherne: And if you did join us um once we stop talking through the slides, the slide deck is um in the chat. Adam, if we could drop it one more time just to be sure that everyone who came in um a little bit later has access to it. And feel free to go ahead and um and go through the slide deck. And if you do have any questions at a later time, we are always happy to entertain those questions um at the in the LDOE events at la.gov

Reagan Lincoln: Yeah. And if you give me just a second,

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Mia Matherne: inbox.

Reagan Lincoln: I'll share screen and show you guys exactly where this is in the speaker resource center. Give me one second to get there. And then also to share screen. It's giving me trouble. All right. Can you Can you Does Does it say logged in as Adam Debbadetto at the top or no?

Adam Dibenedetto: Right now, Reiken, we see the CV speakerless side.

Mia Matherne: Yeah.

Reagan Lincoln: The other screen. Let me reshare.

Adam Dibenedetto: Yeah.

Reagan Lincoln: Let me reshare.

Mia Matherne: Yeah.

Reagan Lincoln: This is the problem with 800 tabs. Sorry for the delay.

Adam Dibenedetto: That's it, Reagan.

Reagan Lincoln: Yeah. So, right at the very top, that my tasks is just a checklist. Your my sessions tab, nothing is populated yet. That will happen much, much later. It's really that profile tab. And when you click on the profile tab itself, you'll see a edit button. And when you hit the edit button, it will let you put in anything that is incorrect.

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Reagan Lincoln: We've misspelled something. We left off a prefix. You want something different for your title or your company. And then here's where the bio goes, any URLs that you might want to do. And then there is another button here when there's not a picture that says upload.

Mia Matherne: Any

Reagan Lincoln: And then you can hit save. And you know, if you are a business professional and you have administrators that you want to do this, you would add them here. And then they can take care of all that for you. And then you just hit save and that's it.

Mia Matherne: other questions about Cant in particular? And again, I'll I'll reiterate if you are if you joined us um late beyond the deck itself and the information that we covered there, just be sure to uh go ahead and click that link and go through the deck and let us know if you have any questions. Um we will have um mandatory webinars in May on May 4th and May 6th. um just be prompt for those because we do cover specific logistic logistics expectations for MCCNO. Um so we will definitely see you guys there. Any

other questions? All right. If there are no further questions, I will go ahead and let you all go.

Troy Glorioso: Thank

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