

# Preparation Provider Monthly Webinar



June 26, 2024

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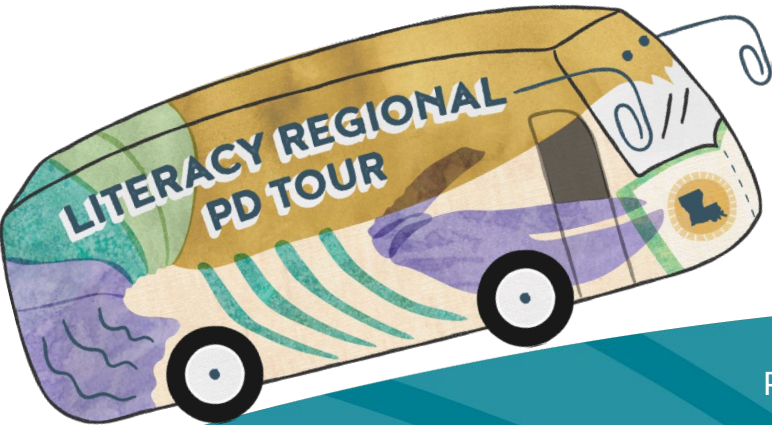
# Summer Literacy Opportunities



# Summer Literacy Tour

The Literacy and ELA Divisions will be traveling the state for the 3rd Annual Louisiana Literacy Regional PD Tour.

Date	Location
July 8	West Monroe
July 9	Bossier City
July 11	Alexandria



Please contact [louisianaliteracy@la.gov](mailto:louisianaliteracy@la.gov) with questions.



# LDOE Updates/Opportunities



# New Teacher Experience: Summer Kick Off

The Louisiana Department of Education will host the Summer Kick-off for the New Teacher Experience on July 24 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. in Baton Rouge for 500 new teachers. The goals of the event are to:

- Welcome new teachers to the profession
- Understand the components of Louisiana's New Teacher Experience
- Engage in high quality professional learning around topics relevant to new teachers
- Provide statewide networking opportunities for new teachers

[Registration](#) is now open. Please share with your graduating seniors!

Please contact [laurie.carlton@la.gov](mailto:laurie.carlton@la.gov) with questions



# Educator Accountability Updates



# Fall Program Approvals

Providers who will submit for fall approval will be going to BESE in October.

Cycle	<a href="#">Application Window Opens</a>	Notice of Intent Due	<a href="#">Full Application Due</a>	Round 1 Evaluation Period Begins	Notification of Pending Decisions	Round 2 Evaluation and Notification (as needed)	<a href="#">BESE Consideration</a>
Fall	May 1	June 1	July 10	July 11	August 26	TBD	October TBD

The fall approval cycle [opened](#) May 1. We are currently in the application stage and full applications are due **July 10**. See the [Preparation Library](#) for program [approval resources](#), including application rubrics. Programs submitting applications for review should use these materials to ensure their applications align with policy requirements.

Please contact [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) with questions.





# LEADS Learning Year Evaluator Training

In addition to the upcoming pre-service rubric training, preparation providers are encouraged to attend the summer evaluation training for both the Educator Rubric and the Leader Rubric.

Please visit the [registration landing page](#) to sign up for a training session in your region. When registering, enter

- Job Title: Other
- School System: Provider Name
- School: Provider Name

Please contact [compass@la.gov](mailto:compass@la.gov) with questions.



# Louisiana Aspiring Educator Rubric

The amendment to approve the addition of the Louisiana Aspiring Educator Rubric was approved during the April BESE meeting.

The following dates and locations have been tentatively scheduled for our upcoming Aspiring Educators Rubric (AER) training:

- August 1-2: Tulane University (New Orleans)
- August 13-14: Northwestern University (Natchitoches)
- August 22-23: University of Louisiana at Monroe (Monroe)
- August 27-28: University View (Baton Rouge)

Please contact [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) with questions.



# HQIM Update

- Extension was granted for funding
- Deliverables are being prepared for shipping
- Finalizing HQPL for late fall

Contact [angelique.ogea@gmail.com](mailto:angelique.ogea@gmail.com) with questions.



# Certification Updates & Reminders



# Phase 1 of New System

The Teacher Certification Online portal, question and application system is being redesigned in phases.

- **Phase 1** - Question System revamped
  - Testing occurs **June 17** through **July 12**
  - Full implementation tentatively set for week of **July 19**
  - Users will need:
    - MyLa account
    - EdLink Security access (dependent upon user role)
    - To request access to the Teacher Certification ZenDesk Help Center

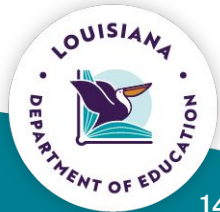
Contact [Certification@la.gov](mailto:Certification@la.gov) with any questions.



# New Applications

In response to the newly adopted policy that came off of Notice of Intent on May 20, **all applications** were be updated. All applications were updated on **June 1, 2024**.

Beginning **July 1, 2024**, all applications are **required** to be the June 1, 2024 version for processing.



# Foreign Equivalency Transcripts

New foreign equivalency transcript requirements include that a credentialing agency must be an endorsed member in good standing with either:

- [National Association of Credential Evaluation Services \(NACES\)](#)
- [Association of International Credential Evaluators \(AICE\)](#).

Policy was effective **May 20**.

An updated link to these entities is available on [teachlouisiana.net](#).

Effective May 20, 2024



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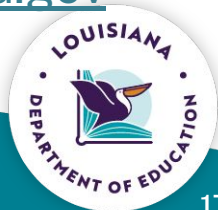
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- Passing the adopted Teaching of Reading exam

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Effective September 1, 2024



# Add-on Literacy Requirements (Grades K-3, Special Education)

For add-on in areas **authorized to teach grades K-3 and special education** areas, educators must meet:

- General literacy contact or semester hour equivalent requirements

**AND\***

- Teaching of Reading exam requirements

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# Mentor/Content Leader



# Mentor and Resident Funding

All certificates required (Practitioner License, Resident license, Mentor credential or waiver) must be issued by **October 1** in order to be eligible for funding.

The resident must hold a resident certificate with a valid from date on or before October 1, 2024. (It is strongly suggested that providers apply for resident certificates by September 1 to ensure they are processed in time for the stipend.)



# Mentor and Resident Funding Eligibility

- The resident must serve in a MFP funded entity.
- The resident must serve with a mentor teacher in the same MFP funded entity as the resident teacher.
- The resident must serve with a mentor teacher that is reported in ED Link 360 Staffing with an object code of 112 (teacher) and a function code within the 1000s excluding 1530 (Pre-K) and 1531 (Head Start).
- The resident must serve with a mentor teacher holding one of the following on October 1, 2024: Mentor Teacher Certificate, Provisional Mentor Teacher Ancillary Certificate, or Mentor Waiver Credential.

Please contact [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) with any questions.



# Mentor Waiver

- Waivers were requested and granted for the 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years.
- As of March 2024, there are approximately 3,246 credentialed mentors statewide; the need for 2023-2024 was 1,374 mentors.
- Policy changes proposed for April BESE include:
  - LDOE to approve waivers on an individual basis; and
  - Individuals mutually agreed upon for up to 2 years.

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# Enrolling and Certifying Training Participants

- **Enrolling New Participants:** Cohort enrollment should be emailed to [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) and [support@bloomboard.com](mailto:support@bloomboard.com).
- **Certifying Participants:** Share the steps for [Applying for Mentor/Content Leader Certification](#) with your participants.
- [Training Provider Roles and Responsibilities](#)



# Content Leader Preparation Providers

Providers that are planning to use the LDOE Content Leader Assessment Series will need to email [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov).

Cohorts beginning:	Email by:
Fall 2024	June 28, 2024
Spring 2025	December 2, 2024

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# Resources





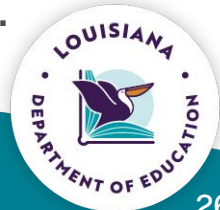
# Bayou Bridges Curriculum Guide

The LDOE has published a new [curriculum guide](#) to support teachers and instructional leaders as they implement Bayou Bridges materials. The guide provides in-depth information on the program’s guiding principles, design, key components and resources, unit and lesson study tools, along with sample lesson annotations.

Teachers and leaders should use this resource to help navigate the curriculum, to better understand its key components, and to effectively plan and implement Bayou Bridges lessons.

This guide will continue to be updated as additional units are published.

Please contact [classroomsupporttoolbox@la.gov](mailto:classroomsupporttoolbox@la.gov) with questions.

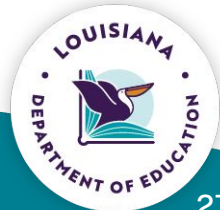


# Updated Legislation

[Act 260](#) of 2023 requires all grade 4-8 public school teachers of mathematics to receive **numeracy skills training** focused on instructing students according to the vertical alignment of math concepts and the blending of concepts, procedures, strategies, problem-solving, and disposition. Initial [guidance](#) is now available.

[Act 266](#) of 2023 requires teachers to screen all kindergarten students for dyslexia during the second half of the year or upon request of a parent/guardian or teacher.

Please contact [STEM@la.gov](mailto:STEM@la.gov) with questions.



# Reminders



# 2022-2023 Teacher Preparation Quality Rating System Performance Profiles

The 2022-2023 Teacher Preparation Quality Rating Scores are in the final stages of calculation.

Providers should expect to receive emails sent directly to the deans/program directors this summer in order to schedule performance profile reviews.

Contact [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) or [certification@la.gov](mailto:certification@la.gov) with questions.



# Louisianateacherprep.com

The LDOE is no longer hosting preparation information on louisianateacherprep.com. All performance profiles can be found in the [Preparation Library](#). Additional information can be found on teachlouisiana.net.

The LDOE is working to find a solution for a new website in the near future.

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# Pre-Educator Pathway Site Visits

We are searching for hosts! Please reach out to [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) if you would like to host a site visit for the 2024-2025 academic year.

During Learning Visits, participants have an opportunity to observe Grow Your Own work that is being done in another school system and strategize to improve Grow Your Own efforts in their system. The visits are for System Leads, Teacher Leaders, and Postsecondary Teacher Preparation Partners.

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# Math Competencies

[Act 347](#) of the 2023 Regular Session, states that BESE shall revise teacher certification requirements and the requirements of teacher education programs to require instruction on foundational numeracy skills standards for candidates seeking certification to teach students no later than December 31, 2023.

[Bulletin 746 §507.B.12](#) Beginning **September 1, 2028**, an applicant for initial certification must have earned coursework or equivalent contact hours in alignment with the adopted foundational numeracy competencies.

The [competency crosswalk](#) document can be found in the [Preparation Library](#).





# Literacy Exam Requirements

Beginning **January 1, 2024**, **Out-of-State** applicants, authorized to teach grades K-3, and not meeting exam requirements with experience will need to take the Teaching of Reading exam **in addition** to content and pedagogy exams.

**Initial applicants** completing **in-state** preparation programs already enrolled in the year-long residency and holding either the PL or R credential prior to **January 1, 2025** are not subject to taking the Teaching of Reading exam.

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# Dyslexia Reminders

According to [Bulletin 996](#), all Dyslexia coursework should begin this coming school year.

- Beginning with the **2024-2025 school year**, for all certification areas, candidates must spend three credit hours within the existing credit hour requirements engaged in coursework regarding teaching students with dyslexia.

[Bulletin 746](#) states when certification will be looking for the requirements.

- Beginning **September 1, 2028**, literacy requirements include a minimum of three credit hours or contact hour equivalent regarding teaching students with dyslexia.



# Closing



# Resources

[Preparation Library](#) (newsletter and monthly call decks located here)

[Teacher Preparation Approval Resource](#)

[Mentor and Resident Funding Slide Deck](#)

[Pre-ed pathway](#)

[Grow Your Own Learning Visit Registration](#)

[Geaux Teach Scholarship](#)

[PLPG Training and Resources](#)

[Updated Contact Form](#)

[Literacy Guidance Document](#)

To sign up for the newsletter,  
email [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov).



# 2023-2024 Monthly Call Dates

~~August 30, 2023~~

~~March 27, 2024~~

~~September 27, 2023~~

~~April 24, 2024~~

~~October 25, 2023~~

~~May 22, 2024~~

~~November 29, 2023~~

June 26, 2024

~~January 31, 2024~~

July 31, 2024

~~February 28, 2024~~

\*All on Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

