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The Department, in partnership with A+PEL, has developed monthly professional learning modules on topics that are critical for new teacher success. These modules include online asynchronous content followed by an in person learning lab where participants practice and apply these concepts. These five modules are designed to build learning throughout the year. Teachers are expected to complete the entire series of Professional Learning Modules.

After completing the [registration](#), participants will receive details on selected training locations. Participants will also receive an invitation to access the online asynchronous modules.

Module 1: Classroom Management/Classroom Environment

Within this module, new teachers gain knowledge about how to establish and maintain expectations and procedures that are respectful and effective. This module will ensure that participants can effectively lead a positive, inclusive classroom for all learners.

- Asynchronous Release Date: August 2023
- Professional Learning Lab sessions (9:00AM-3:00PM)
 - Tuesday, September 12, 2023 in Port Allen
 - Thursday, September 14, 2023 in Ruston
 - Monday, September 18, 2023 in Lake Charles
 - Saturday, October 14, 2023 in Pineville

Module 2: Standards and Curriculum

In this session, participants will understand and use protocols for ensuring a deep understanding of high quality instructional materials. They will understand how to collaborate to purposefully plan units and annotate lessons to engage all students and provide appropriate support for diverse learners.

- Asynchronous Release Date: October 2023
- Professional Learning Lab sessions (9:00AM-3:00PM)
 - Friday, October 20, 2023 in Ruston
 - Saturday, October 21, 2023 in Port Allen
 - Monday, October 23, 2023 in Lake Charles
 - Saturday, November 4, 2023 in Pineville

Module 3: Data Literacy

During this session, teachers will understand and practice how to analyze student work in order to understand what instructional decisions need to be made to ensure student success. They will also practice using curriculum-embedded, student data to plan just-in-time supports to accelerate learning for students in their classroom.

- Asynchronous Release Date: October 2023
- Professional Learning Lab sessions (9:00AM-3:00PM)
 - Saturday, November 11, 2023 in Port Allen
 - Tuesday, November 14, 2023 in Lake Charles
 - Wednesday, November 15, 2023 in Ruston
 - Wednesday, November 29, 2023 in Pineville



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Module 4: Literacy for 21st Century Learners

In this module, participants will understand and be able to apply content area literacy as it relates to linguistic, cognitive, and text-specific processes.

- Asynchronous Release Date: December 2023
- Professional Learning Lab sessions (9:00AM-3:00PM)
 - Tuesday, January 16, 2024 in Port Allen
 - Thursday, January 18, 2024 in Ruston
 - Friday, January 19, 2024 in Lake Charles
 - Wednesday, January 24, 2024 in Pineville

Module 5: Parent and Community Engagement

New teachers will discover high-yield strategies for communicating effectively with parents that are rooted in current educational research. Participants will learn methods to engage parents and other stakeholders in the school environment and how this engagement can prevent difficult situations before they occur.

- Asynchronous Release Date: January 2024
- Professional Learning Lab sessions (9:00AM-3:00PM)
 - Wednesday, February 21, 2024 in Ruston
 - Tuesday, February 22, 2024 in Pineville
 - Tuesday, February 22, 2024 in Port Allen
 - Saturday, February 24, 2024 in Lake Charles

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