

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Education Technology Monthly Call

February 25, 2021



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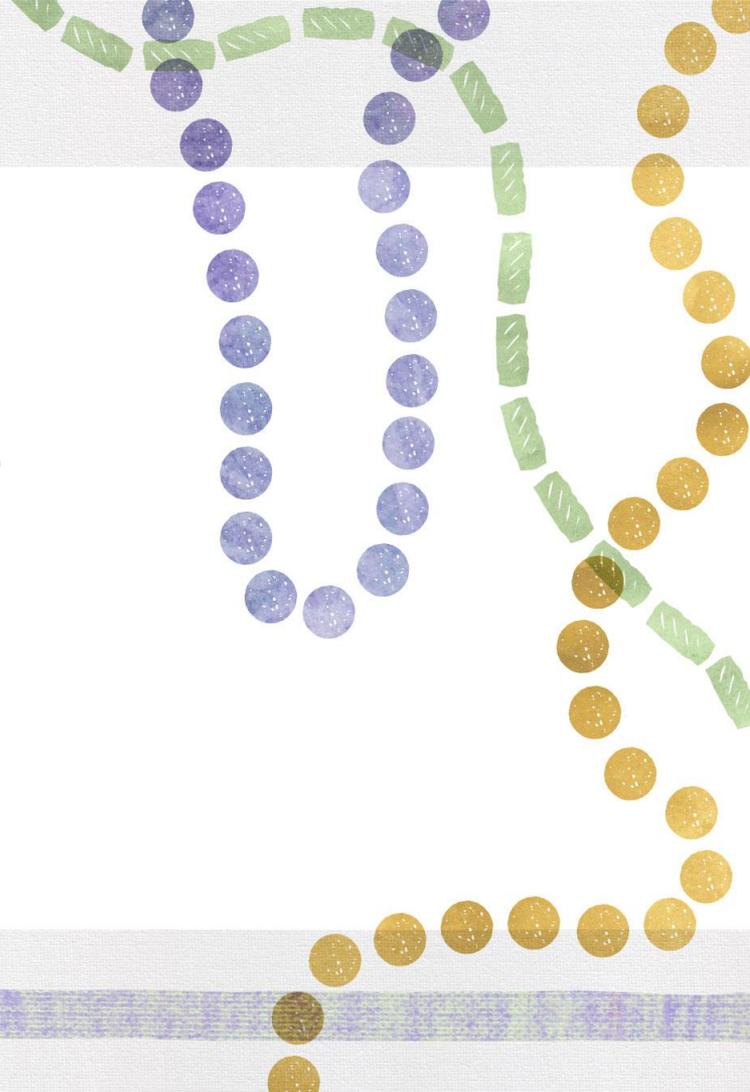
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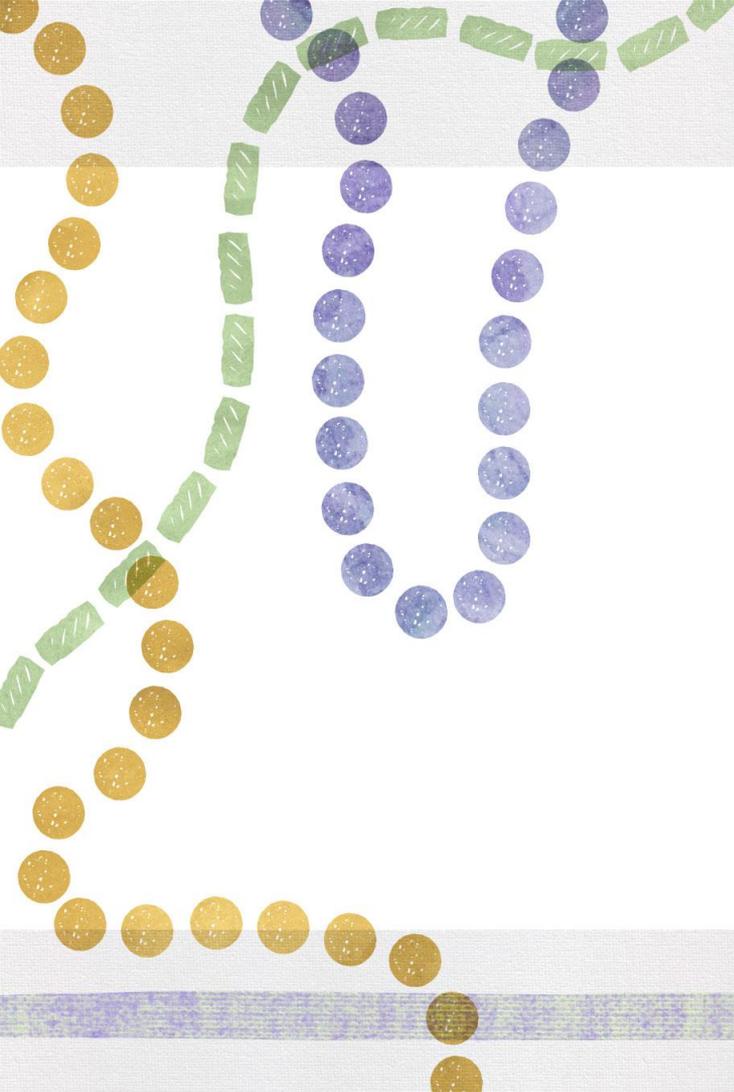
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Suggested participants
for this call:

- Chief Technology Officers
- Information Technology Staff
- E-Rate Coordinators
- Privacy Coordinators
- Digital or Virtual Learning Staff

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Education Technology

Chromebook Allotment - Deadline

The Deadline to submit data, assurance, and google management forms is **FRIDAY, FEB 26, 2021.**
Deadline to pick up devices is **FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021.**

LEAs receiving a chromebook allotment from the Coronavirus Recovery Fund received an email on January 28th with instructions and details on the distribution of devices. LEAs must also complete the following steps:

- Complete all data submission required as part of the Strong Start School Reopening Dashboard
 - Submit their January 2021 Technology Readiness Tool Device and Connectivity data
 - Ensure they have updated their LEA's and school's Learning Mode data in SPS
- Complete the assurance document and email to EdTech@la.gov
- Complete the attached Google Management License Order and email to EdTech@la.gov
- Once the assurance document and Google Order has been received, the Department's Ed Tech staff will schedule a pick up date and time. The LEA is responsible for picking up all devices allotted to the LEA from the Office of Technology Services' Warehouse in Baton Rouge.

If an LEA does not wish to receive their allotment, the LEA may decline the allotment by checking the appropriate box on the assurance form and return it to EdTech@la.gov.

Chromebook Re-Allotment

The Deadline to submit form: **FRIDAY, FEB 26, 2021.**

Based on the original allocations, some school systems choose not to accept their allocation in order to provide additional devices for other systems in need OR a school systems did not respond to numerous requests to complete their forms. There is a deadline to submit all paperwork to Google by March 2, 2021 in order to allocated pre-purchased Google Management License, therefore we must re-assign any unallocated chromebook by that deadline.

School systems wishing to request additional devices, can complete this [form](#). We will be reviewing and allocating devices starting on Monday, March 1.

Chromebook Allotment & TRT

To assist LEAs, we have automatically uploaded into the TRT data system/school reopening dashboard all chromebook allotments that have been received by school systems. These devices were added to the school systems central office location (xxx700) sitecode and tagged as student-school only devices and designated as Coronavirus Recovery Funded (CRF). For single site charters, they were uploaded to the school's sitecode.

Once school systems have assigned these devices, you can submit an update to the TRT via the TRT Device Excel form and email to EdTech@la.gov. Blank forms can be downloaded from the [Digital Schools System Support Toolbox](#).

School Reopening Dashboard

The Louisiana Department of Education has updated the [School Reopening Dashboard](#) to include additional information and a more user-friendly experience. LEAs were asked to update the modality, device and connectivity data by January 7.

Data coordinators should update their modality information in Sponsorsite (SPS), and technology director's can submit both device and connectivity data via the [TRT spreadsheets](#).

SCHOOL REOPENING DASHBOARD*

**These links can only be accessed via Chrome.*



[DEVICES](#)



[CONNECTIVITY](#)



[DLM – SCHOOLS](#)



[DLM – SCHOOL SYSTEMS](#)

TRT Data Submission & UPDATE Process

When should school systems update TRT and Digital Learning Mode Daily: Anytime the learning mode of a school changes and whenever new devices or broadband services are received/disposed of.

What is collected via the Technology Readiness Tool upload forms:

- Device Data
- Internet, Network, Staffing and Home Internet Data

Who is required to submit: All Public School Systems (includes ALL Charters) and all private schools who participate in the scholarship program. Other private schools should submit their Home Internet Connectivity data at a minimum. All Private school systems are being request to also submit this data to support efforts for distributing new non-public CARES Act funding. At a minimum, Private school must submit updated home internet connectivity data and student learning mode data.

Submission Process:

- Updated blank forms can be downloaded from the [Digital Schools System Support Toolbox](#).
- A recording of the Dec. 3 Education Technology Office Hours Call is available on LDOE's YouTube page, or a link can be sent to you by emailing EdTech@la.gov.

Please contact edtech@la.gov with questions.

Submitting/Updating Learning Modalities

School system will update their Digital Learning Modes via Sponsor Site (SPS) on the Sponsor level (student counts per mode) and the School Level (modalities at the school level).

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2020 0: Public Education - Parish & City School Boards

Sponsor Code Sponsor

SponsorStatus 027 Jefferson Davis Parish

NP Charter Agency 028 Lafayette Parish

029 Lafourche Parish

030 LaSalle Parish

031 Lincoln Parish

032 Livingston Parish

033 Madison Parish

Instruct Mode 034 Morehouse Parish

035 Matchisnochee Parish

036 Orleans Parish

037 Ouachita Parish

038 Plaquemines Parish

039 Poincane Parish

040 Rapides Parish

041 Red River Parish

042 Richland Parish

043 Sabine Parish

044 St. Bernard Parish

045 St. Charles Parish

046 St. Helena Parish

047 St. James Parish

048 St. John the Baptist Parish

049 St. Landry Parish

050 St. Martin Parish

051 St. Mary Parish

052 St. Tammany Parish

123 Clubs

Sports

Instruction Modes by Grade Level

Sponsor : 047 St. James Parish
Session: 2020

The number of students participating in each primary instruction method:

Grade	In-Person	Hybrid	Virtual
PK	84	0	103
K	94	0	112
1	96	0	175
2	97	0	128
3	97	0	129
4	91	0	138
5	86	0	181
6	97	0	188
7	0	213	72
8	0	202	51
9	0	221	71
10	0	237	81
11	0	169	49
12	0	190	58

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2020 0: Public Education - Parish & City School Boards

Sponsor Code SiteName

SponsorStatus 04700 Administrative Services - Special Education

NP Charter Agency 04701 Fifth Ward Elementary School

04702 Gramercy Elementary School

04703 Litcher Elementary School

04704 Litcher High School

04705 Paulina Elementary School

Instruct Mode 04708 St. James High School

04709 St. James High School

04710 Vacherie Elementary School

04713 Adult Education

04715 St. James Career and Technology Center

04770 St. James Parish Central Office

04777 Underage Homeless Site

04788 Special Education Support-NonPublicHomebased

04789 Alternative Center for grades K-12

04799 District Route To for Unknowns

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Grade

Site Status

Previous Site

Career Pathway

IBC

Clubs

Sports

04702 Gramercy Elementary School

Sponsor: 047 St. James Parish Session: 2020

Physical Address: 601 E Second Street Gramercy, LA 70052-0000

Mailing Address: 601 E Second Street Gramercy, LA 70052-0000

Phone: (225) 258-4804 Ext: Fax: (225) 869-3107

Email: ttemple@sjps.org

Grades: 4-6

Open Date: Close Date: Website: www.stjames.k12.la.us

Local: TOWN, DISTANT City Limits: Y Twitter:

Parish/City: ST. JAMES Cong Dist: 3 Facebook: Gramercy Elementary School

Site Parish: ST. JAMES BEBE District: 8

Longitude: -90.689845 Latitude: 30.055991

Approval: APPROVED

Approval Status Date: Earliest Drop Off Time: 7:25 AM

IGB Type: Active Public School Site Latest Pick Up Time: 3:30 PM

Institution Type: SCHOOL

ACT Explore Site Code: 100% Virtual

Institution Funding: STATE PUBLIC/NFP ACT Plain Site Code: Date Mode of Instruction Changed: 12/14/2020 12:00:00 AM

Institution Control: LEA Report Site Code: 12/14/2020 12:00:00 AM

Category: ELEMENTARY ACT Site Code: NCBES School ID Code: 01161

Religious Affiliation: NONE E-Rate Site Code (REN):

Sch. Bus Partner Cnt: 0

Flags: Highly Qualified Flag: Y Tuition Flag: N District Accountability: Y

SIS: Y ASB: Y PEP: Y MFP: Y Edm Active: Y

CCD: Y ASP: Y NPS: N TAP: N STS: N Reconstituted: N

Non Acct Reason:

Last Updated: 12/11/2020 By: E047040 RSD Grp:

Education Broadband Benefit Program

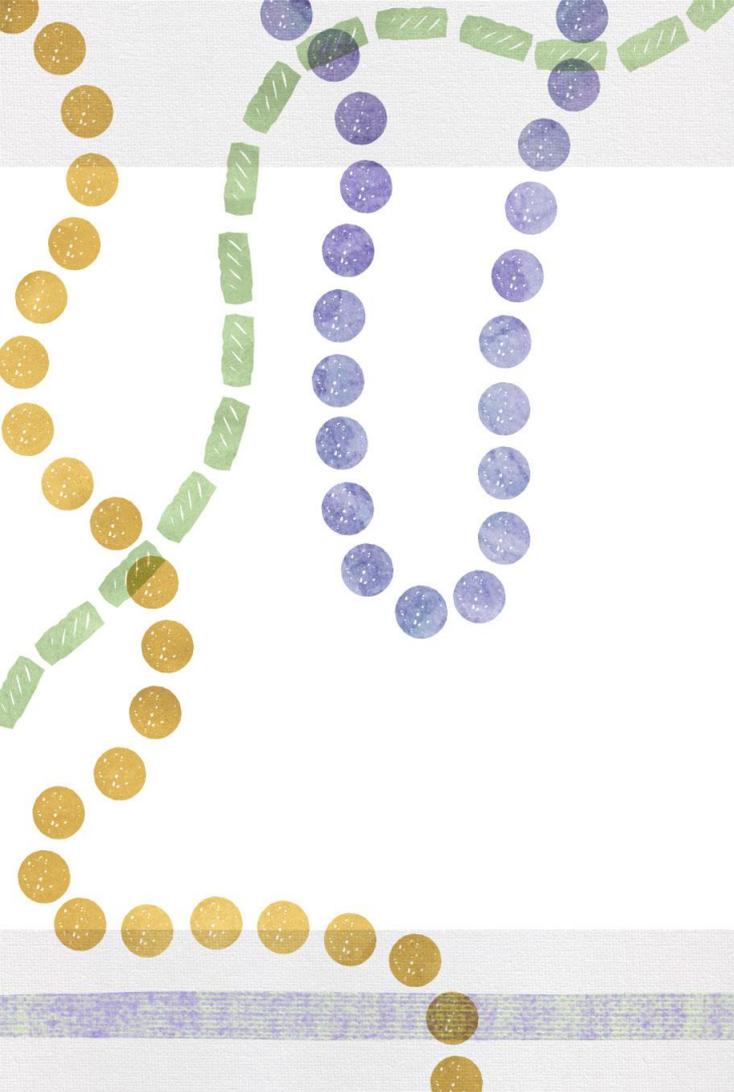
The Emergency Broadband Benefit provides a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for those on Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute \$10-\$50 toward the purchase price.

Comments and reply comments have been submitted to the FCC and we expect program eligibility details and participating providers to be announced in the coming weeks.

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Final action on this legislation is expected by mid-March 2021. In the act, the House Committee on Energy and Commerce included language which supports a \$7.599 billion allocation to the E-rate program to support “emergency educational connections and devices.” The language also allows E-rate funds to be used by libraries and schools to provide off-campus internet connectivity to patrons, students and teachers.

A summary of the proposed legislation is linked [here](#). As more information unfolds and as the bill changes, we will provide more details and updates.



Operations

Louisiana Educator & Staff Vaccine Access

On February 18, Governor John Bel Edwards announced that the state of Louisiana would move to Phase 1B, Tier 2 of COVID-19 vaccinations. This new phase allows for K-12 and early childhood education staff to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

In order to ensure that all school systems have equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines and information about the vaccine, the Department worked with the Louisiana Department of Health to recommend that school systems develop a partnership with local clinics, hospitals or pharmacies to orchestrate logistics in administering the vaccine. We also asked that systems determine the number of employees who wish to receive the voluntary vaccine. Educators and support staff also have the option to schedule their vaccinations independently with their local providers.

- Eligible employees include those who are housed on site at a center or school.
- It also includes system employees whose work takes them to centers or school sites routinely.
- Employees will most likely be asked to present a badge, paystub or some form of school system identification to receive a vaccine.

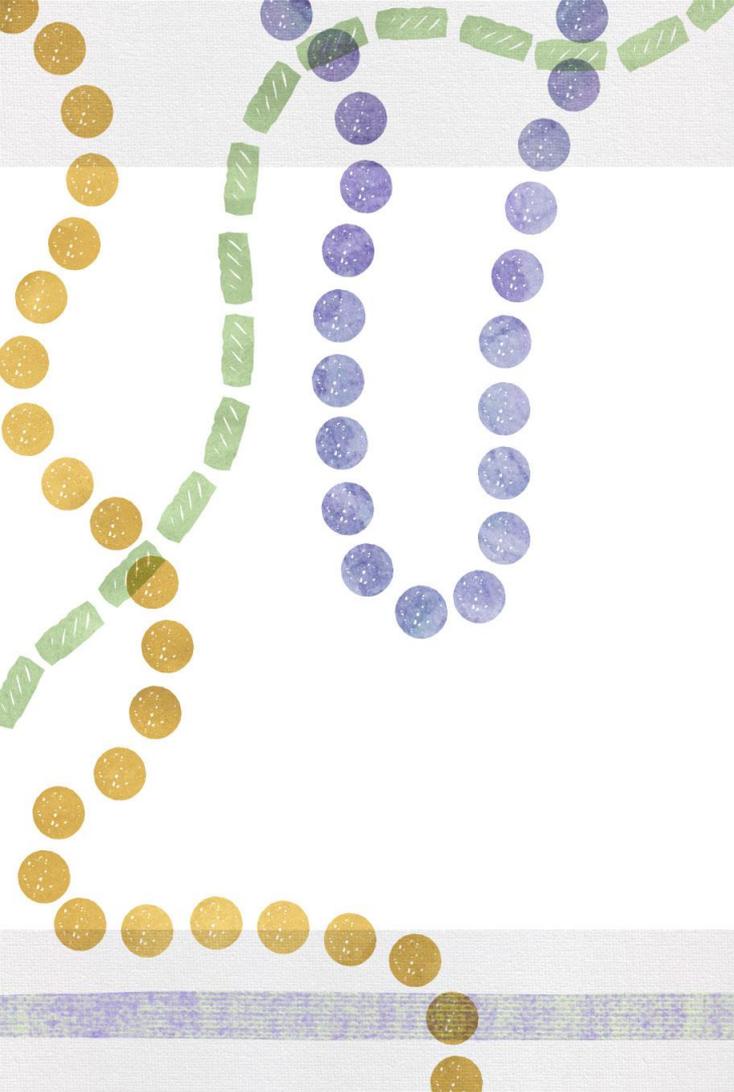
ESSERF II Funding Guidance FAQ

LDOE created an [ESSER II Funding Guidance FAQ](#) that contains the most frequently asked questions and answers related to ESSER II funds. School systems should continue to submit specific questions to LDOE.grantshelpdesk@la.gov.

In addition to the FAQ, the Department created an [ESSERF II Use of Funds](#) document that provides examples of allowable expenses for each allowability.

More information about these funds can be found in the [Fact Sheet](#) released by ED.





Data Management

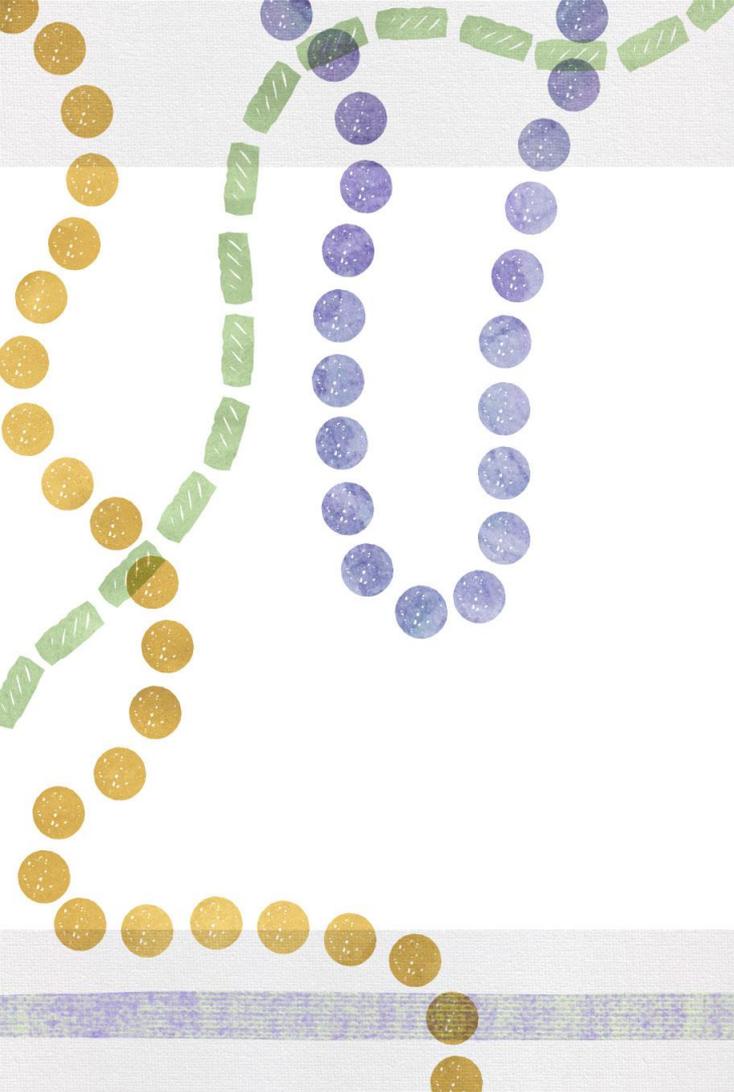


Data Sharing Agreements

Pursuant to R.S. 17:3914, school systems are required to have a contract or data sharing agreement in place with private vendors that deliver services in order to share personally identifiable student data.

Security Coordinators and Data managers should review the 2020-2021 list of [data sharing agreements](#)

- Opt in to the agreements needed by your school system, including eScholar, CAI_SER, Hoonuit, and Cambium.
 - Download and complete each agreement with the appropriate approval signatures
 - Use the JotForm link for the agreement to submit



Academic Content and Professional Development

Summer Learning Programs

School system leaders should use the [Summer Learning Program Guidance](#) to begin planning for summer learning. February-April checklist items include:

- Create applications for staff hiring
- Create a registration process and timeline for students including the collection of accommodations and medical plans
- Engage with partners for supports (local government, organizations, public library, universities, etc.)
- Determine school site locations

Please contact em.cooper@la.gov with questions.

Accelerate Updates

[Accelerate](#), Louisiana's pre-K-12 tutoring strategy, is designed for school systems to implement equal-access tutoring at scale in order to achieve significant results for all students.

The items below have been added to the [Accelerate page](#).

- Accelerate Kick-off [presentation](#) and [recording](#)
- Phase 2 of [ELA](#) and [math](#) resources
- ELA Resources [presentation](#) and [recording](#)
- Math Resources [presentation](#) and [recording](#)

Please contact em.cooper@la.gov with questions.





DO NOW

Teacher Leader Summit



Registration for the in-person Teacher Leader Summit is underway. The Early bird ticket window closes on **March 1**.

- Purchasing an early bird ticket offers reduced pricing and first access to session scheduling.
- The session schedule and app will be released to early bird ticket holders on April 7.

The regular registration window will run **March 2 - April 12**.

- All access codes turn off on April 13 preventing further registration.
- The session schedule and app will be released to regular ticket holders on April 9.

Please Contact LDOEEvents@la.gov for more information



IN THE FUTURE

Teacher Leader Summit: The Virtual Series

To maximize the [delivery of content](#) and educator development, The Teacher Leader Summit: The Virtual Series will take place from June 1 - 11, and sessions will be accessed remotely. The format will be similar to the Virtual Series offered during Spring 2020.

- There will be a max overall registration limitation of 8,000.
- The Department is not allocating seats. Registration will be on a first come, first served basis.
- Paid ticket holders of the Teacher Leader Summit in-person event will receive an access code allowing them to register for and participate in the Virtual Series at no additional cost.
 - Each code will be one-time use and must be used only by the original ticket holder. Codes are not transferable.



IN THE FUTURE

Teacher Leader Summit: The Virtual Series

Registration for the Teacher Leader Summit: The Virtual Series will open in April. Tickets are inclusive of all days of the event.

Ticket Type	Purchasing Window	Ticket Price
Early Bird Registration	April 1 - 25	\$50.00
Regular Registration	April 26 - sell out	\$65.00

The session schedule and app will be released to early bird ticket holders on May 10 and May 12 for regular registrants.

Please contact LDOEvents@la.gov with questions.

Virtual Instruction Training for Teachers and Leaders

Sessions are still available for the NIET Virtual Instruction Training for teachers and leaders. Educators should connect with their immediate supervisor to see if seats are available to attend. More details and registration information can be accessed via [NIET's website](#).

Louisiana educators have free access to three, 90-minute professional learning sessions that model effective virtual teaching and provide educators with tips, templates, and strategies to use immediately in their virtual classrooms. These sessions are taught live (synchronously) and offered several times a week.

Louisiana educators [now have free, asynchronous access](#) to these training sessions. The three, 60-minute self-study modules showcase different aspects of effective virtual teaching.



Assessments

Updated Testing Specification for 2022

LEAP Connect test administration window: February 1st- March 12th.

District Technology Coordinators should ensure all LEAP Connect content is downloaded to the Central Office Service Devices (COS) using the steps below:

la.drctdirect.com>sign-in>my applications>central office services>testing program>site>content management>LEAP Connect TTS/HVA>update configuration

E-Rate



SETDA E-Rate Training Sessions

SETDA has launched the new [E-Rate Training Series: Ask the State Experts](#). These trainings are designed to support and train school, district, consortium and library leaders on the E-Rate application process. A single Fall or Winter session will cost \$99 or \$150 for both sessions. Participants will have access to the session archives after the events.

The format of the trainings will be 90-minute online, interactive sessions running monthly through April, 2021. These trainings will be conducted by state leaders from [SETDA's E-Rate Collaborative](#), a subset of the [SETDA](#) membership, who are subject matter experts on the topic of E-Rate. Registration and additional details are available [online](#).

LDOE will offer E-Rate Office Hours to answer Louisiana specific questions for applicants during the normal scheduled Office Hours for Education Technology or can set up an individual/group meeting by contacting ERate@la.gov.

Winter Session (\$99)

Jan 7

- Form 471 Category 2 (video access)
- Form 471 Category 1 (video access)

Feb 11

- Changes: RAL, Service Substitutions, SPIN Changes
- Questions and Review, PIA interaction, Audits

April 1

- Post Commitment, Document Retention, Appeals
- April 1 - Forms 486 & 472

E-Rate Updates

- Form 486 Deadlines:
 - **February 26** - Wave 27
- **February 25** - Last day to file a Form 470 for FY 2021 to allow the required 28-day posting requirement.
- **March 25** - The FY 2021 Form 471 application window will close at 11:59 p.m. EDT.

Preparing for the FY 2021 Filing Window

Applicants begin the process of applying for E-Rate by completing and certifying an FCC Form 470 in EPC. This opens the competitive bidding process for selecting services.

Applicants do not have to file an FCC Form 470 for FY2021 if:

- purchasing services from a state master contract where your state filed an FCC Form 470, conducted a competitive bidding process and resulted in a contract covers those services for all of FY2021;
- the applicant posted an FCC Form 470 for a previous funding year and conducted a competitive bidding process which resulted in a multi-year contract that covers your services for all of FY2021;
- the applicant is purchasing a commercially available, high-speed business-class internet service that meets ALL of the requirements listed in the [Exemption from Filing an FCC Form 470](#) guidance document on the USAC website.

Remember, Applicants must wait at least 28 days after certifying a FCC Form 470 before selecting a service provider, signing a contract, and completing and certifying the FCC Form 471.

Cybersecurity



IPs of Interest / Scan & Exploit IPs

Below is a list of IP addresses and domains associated with malware observed by MS-ISAC. School systems should take appropriate action to block known malware sites.

- [IPs & Domains of Interest 2021-02-15 to 2021-02-22](#)
- [IPs & Domains of Interest 2021-02-08 to 2021-02-15](#)
- [IPs & Domains of Interest 2021-02-01 to 2021-02-07](#)
- [IPs of Interest 2021-01-25 to 2021-01-31](#)

Call Summary



Call Summary

Month	Key Deadlines	Support and Resources
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• E-Rate 486 Deadlines• Prep for LEAP Connect and ELPT Testing• February 26 - Complete data submission for the School Reopening Dashboard (TRT, Learning Modalities) Google Order Form and Chromebook Assurances and schedule date/time to pick up the allocated Chromebooks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2020-2021 School System Support Calendar• Educator Resource Guide• School System Planning Resources• Family Support Toolbox Library• Technology School System Support• Cybersecurity Supports• 2020-2021 Assessment Calendar• School System Contact Form• Assessment@la.gov for Assessment questions• EdTech@la.gov for Education Technology questions• ERate@la.gov for ERate questions
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• March 5 - Pick up allocated Chromebook devices• March 25 - E-Rate Filing	

2020-2021 Education Technology Office Hours Dates

The chart lists the details for accessing upcoming Education Technology Office Hours. The entire calendar is located in the [2020-2021 School System Support Calendar](#).

Education Technology Office Hours	
Webinar Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mar 11, 2021 09:00 AM• Apr 8, 2021, 09:00 AM• May 13, 2021 09:00 AM• June 10, 2021 09:00 AM• July 8, 2021 09:00 AM• August 12, 2021 09:00 AM
Webinar Link	https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/99359711182?pwd=K0FLU1dqT0liT1BVREdDZ HhtQStXdz09
Phone Number & Passcode	1.470.381.2552 Phone Bridge Passcode: 076711508
Meeting ID	Meeting ID: 993 5971 1182 Password for Webinar: 2020-202!

2020-2021 Education Technology Webinar Dates

The chart lists the details for accessing upcoming Education Technology Monthly Calls. The entire calendar is located in the [2020-2021 School System Support Calendar](#).

Education Technology Monthly Calls	
Webinar Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mar 25, 2021 09:00 AM• Apr 22, 2021 09:00 AM• May 27, 2021 09:00 AM• June 24, 2021 09:00 AM• July 22, 2021 09:00 AM• August 26, 2021 09:00 AM• September 23, 2021 09:00 AM• October 28, 2021 09:00 AM
Webinar Link	https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/575223228?pwd=NDNIN01SS3c0Rk4wV25aNkZhTEc2Zz09
Phone Number	1-301-715-8592
Meeting ID	Meeting ID: 575 223 228 Password: 2020-2021!

Call Summary

Monthly Calls

- [BESE Authorized Charter School Monthly Call](#): March 10
- [Charter Authorizers Monthly Call](#): March 10
- [SPED Leader Monthly Call](#): March 11
- [Legislative and Policy Support Monthly Call](#): March 15
- [Assessment and Accountability Monthly Call](#): March 16
- [Student Well-Being Monthly Call](#): March 17
- [Nonpublic Monthly Call](#): March 17
- [Federal Support and Grantee Relations Monthly Call](#): March 18
- [Career and College Readiness Monthly Call](#): March 18
- [Academic Content and Educator Development Monthly Call](#): March 24
- [AE Leadership Community of Practice Monthly Call](#): March 24
- [Education Technology Monthly Call](#): March 25
- [Roundtable for System Leaders](#): March 26
- [Data Coordinator Monthly Call](#): April 1
- [Nutrition Support Monthly Call](#): April 1
- [System Leaders Monthly Call](#): April 9

Reference the [2020-2021 School System Support Calendar](#) or [weekly newsletter](#) for additional information.

Thank you for joining today's call.

Schedules, access links, and information for the Department's webinars can be found in the [LDOE Weekly Newsletter](#) and [2020-2021 School System Support Calendar](#).

Helpful Links

- [Louisiana Believes Homepage](#)
- [School Improvement Library](#)

Support Toolboxes

- [Teacher](#)
- [System](#)
- [Principal](#)
- [Counselor](#)
- [Education Technology Staff](#)

