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Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Call

January 18, 2024



Office of Career and College Readiness

Dr. Ernise Singleton, Assistant Superintendent Erica Spencer, Education Deputy Advisor

Foundational Skills: Angela Jordan, Executive Director

 Freshman Academy, Transitional 9th Grade, Counselor Institutes, Professional School Counselor liaison, Individual Graduation Plan, High School Planning Guides, Counselor Newsletter, Pupil Progression Plans, Child Welfare and Attendance, Alternative Education, Current Intervention Required - Discipline (UIR-D and CIR-D), PBIS

Healthy Communities: Michael Comeaux, Executive Director

 AWARE grants, School Social Work, School Health Profiles, Health & PE, Transportation, Nursing, School-Based Medicaid, Suicide Prevention, Trauma Recovery Demonstration Grant, and School Safety

Post-Secondary Readiness: Stephanie Marcum, Executive Director

 Apprenticeships, Fast Forward, Extension Academy, Diploma Orders, Community Service Diploma Endorsement, April Dunn Jump Start Pathways, Financial Aid Planning, Gifted and Talented Programming, Student of the Year, U.S. Senate Youth Program, Credit Recovery, Course Codes, Proficiency Exams, Transcripts

Quality Diplomas: *Timberly Deville, Executive Director*

 Jump Start, Jump Start Convention, Jump Start Summers, Super Summer Institute, CTTIE, Career Development Fund, Quest for Success, Supplemental Course Academy, U.S. Presidential Scholar, Advanced Coursework: AP, Dual Enrollment, IB and CLEP Testing, Graduation Requirements



Timberly Deville, MS.EdL Executive Director of Quality Diplomas

Hometown: Alexandria, LA

Education:

- BA in English, LSUA
- MS.EdL in Educational Leadership, WGU
- EdD in p-12 Education Administration, USM (July 2024)

Career Milestones:

- 2015 Marksville High School Teacher of the Year
- 2015 Avoyelles District Teacher of the Year
- 2015 Keynote Speaker, Louisiana College TEACH Program
- 2018 Golden Apple Award
- 2018-2023 Education Coordinator, LA National Guard Education **Programs**
- 2019 LA Military Department Exceptional Performance Award
- 2021 Delta Kappa Gamma Outstanding Service Award
- 2023 LANG Education Programs Award for Excellence





Foundational Skills

Angela Jordan, Executive Director



Spring 2024 Counselor Institute

Registration for the Spring 2024 Counselor Institute is now open via Eventbrite. **Please** share with your ROTC, JAG and CTE colleagues. Please register individually. Maximum registration is based on location capacity.

Date	8 a.m 11 a.m.	1 p.m 4 p.m.
February 27	Bossier Parish	Ouachita Parish
February 28	Rapides Parish	Calcasieu Parish
February 29	<u>Livingston Parish</u>	Jefferson Parish



Counselor Evaluation Survey

The Louisiana Department of Education is gathering data and research to improve the Louisiana Counselor Observation Rubric. A Counselor Evaluation Survey was released in the **January 16** LDOE Weekly Newsletter. Please share with all counselors.



Alternative Education Submission Portal

The <u>2024-2025 Alternative Education Submission Portal</u> is now open. The portal allows school systems to seek BESE Approval for AE Site Authorization based on one of the following conditions:

- A new AE site
- A change to an existing AE site
- Verification of an existing AE site (no intent to make changes to site)

All School Systems are required to verify existing alternative sites.



Healthy Communities

Michael Comeaux, Executive Director



Healthy Schools Community of Practice Call

Monthly community of practice calls will address topics related to school safety, school health, transportation, nursing, suicide prevention, health/physical education, School-based Medicaid funding, Whole Child (WSCC) initiative, School Health Advisory Councils, Project AWARE. January will feature a discussion on Mobile Crisis Response Teams.

• Webinar Date and Time: January 25; 2 p.m.

• Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/91984395787?

• **Phone Number:** 1-312-626-6799

Webinar ID: 919 8439 5787

• **Passcode:** 784203



Spring 2024 Training for Medicaid School Based Services

Registration is now open for the LDOE and Louisiana Department of Health in person trainings on Medicaid Funding for School Based Services. School systems are encouraged to register teams including the Medicaid coordinator of school based services, time study coordinator, business manager, nursing coordinator, and coordinators of behavioral health and therapy services.

- Dates vary: February, March and April
- Location varies: New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Mandeville, Lafayette, and Shreveport.
- Deadline to register: February 24



Lead O.T. and P.T. Meeting

Registration is open for the annual Louisiana Occupational Therapy Association and LDOE Spring Meeting for Lead Occupational and Lead Physical Therapists working in Louisiana schools. Attendees will collaborate on implementation of Medicaid claiming and allow discussion of school health services relative to OT and PT practice in schools.

- **Date:** March 13; 8 a.m. 4 p.m.
- **Location:** The Claiborne Building; 1201 N Third St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802
- **Deadline to register:** February 29



School Physical Activity Award

To recognize outstanding public elementary and secondary schools that are implementing an outstanding physical activity program, the Department will be recognizing and honoring exemplary schools through the School Physical Activity Award Overview.

- The applications process window is January 5-February 2.
- Applications are to be submitted in the application portal.



Post-Secondary Readiness

Stephanie Marcum, Executive Director



Jump Start Construction Connect Scholars Program

The Jump Start Construction Connect Scholars Program is accepting <u>applications</u> for up to forty one-time \$1,000 scholarships. **Applications are due April 19.**

Applicants should meet the following criteria:

- Be on track to earn a Jump Start TOPS Tech Career Diploma
- Have a National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) credential
- Plan to enroll in a LCTCS campus on a construction pathway or in an Associated Builders and Contractors training program



2023-2024 High School Diploma and Seal Orders

<u>The Diploma and Seal Order Form</u> is now open for school systems to request diplomas for the 2024 high school graduates.

The due date for the electronic order form is February 2.

Only one form should be submitted for each school system.

• The Department will cover the cost of the initial order and distribution if the order is submitted by the due date.

Community Service Diploma Endorsement

Students can work toward earning 80 service hours to obtain the Community Service **Endorsement** prior to graduation.

Please refer to the Community Service Opportunities document for ways they can volunteer safely and still assist their community.



Financial Aid Planning

All 2024 graduating seniors must complete one of the following:

- The <u>2024-2025 FAFSA</u> application (if you want to apply for the federal Pell grant, federal student loans, the Louisiana GO Grant, and TOPS) or
- A <u>TOPS application</u> on the LOSFA website (if you want TOPS only) or
- A waiver

The U.S. Department of Education has revamped the FAFSA application. The application is now open.

Registered Apprenticeship Funding 2023-2024

Funding based on the number of students enrolled in either fall or spring semester in an eligible registered apprenticeship course

- \$3,500 per student, for school systems identified as **rural** by the United States Census Bureau
- \$2,500 per student, for school systems identified as non-rural

Funding can be utilized to support all of the costs associated with delivery of the apprenticeship services to the students.



Apprenticeship Quarterly Call

Quarterly Apprenticeship calls will address apprenticeship opportunities and updates related to enrollment reporting, funding, and the development of programs.

Webinar Date and Time: February 20; 11 a.m.

Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/92183263782?

Phone Number: 1-312-626-6799

Webinar ID: 921 8326 3782

Passcode: 936910



U.S. Senate Youth Finalists for Louisiana

Delegates				
Joshua Blake	Lakeshore High School	St. Tammany Parish		
Dylan Rhoton	Brother Martin High School	Archdiocese of New Orleans		
Alternates				
Emily Nevils	Winnfield High School	Winn Parish		
Emma Bonney	St. Joseph's Academy	Diocese of Baton Rouge		



Louisiana Revised Statute 17:25.9 -**Collection of Literacy Screening Data**

Literacy data is now submitted 3 times a year.

- Fall
- Winter
- Spring

Who submits? All public and charter school systems.

When? The data portal will open in early February.



Quality Diplomas

Timberly Deville, Executive Director



College Board Updates and Deadlines

Deadlines:

- **January 18:** submit accommodation requests for 2023-2024 AP exams
- **January 31**: submit AP Course Audit materials for course authorization and renewal.

Updates and Events:

Weekly Office Hours

Webinar Date and Time: Every Tuesday; 10 a.m. Webinar ID (Microsoft Teams): 232 293 189 414

Passcode: 7VOcYk

AP Precalculus State Webinar

Webinar Date and Time: February 6; 11 a.m. Webinar ID (Microsoft Teams): 295 652 609 616

Passcode: aTWBtS



ACT® Events

2024 Louisiana ACT® Summit

- **When:** February 1; 7:30 a.m. 3:15 p.m.
- Where: Pennington Biomedical Research Facility; Baton Rouge, LA
- Cost: \$135 (non members) and \$125 (State organization members)

ACT® Data: Accelerating Your School and Student Success 2.0

- **When:** February 29; 9 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Where: Claiborne Building; 1201 N. Third St, Baton Rouge, LA 70802
- Cost: Free



SCA/Course Choice Updates and Spring Reporting

Spring Reporting:

• The portal will **close for spring reporting on January 22** for enrollments with private providers and **on March 11 for Public Higher Education providers**.



Jump Start Summers Application

A new application process has been created for Jump Start Summers. An informational session walking participants through the new process will be held at the **Jump Start Convention on January** 23.

- A follow-up Zoom session will be available for individuals who are unable to attend the initial walk-through. It will be held **February 22 at 1 pm**.
- The anticipated release date for the Jump Start Summers application is **February 19**.



Jump Start Summers Application Webinar

One Zoom session will be available to walk applicants through the new application process.

- **Webinar Date and Time:** February 22 & March 4; 1 p.m.
- Webinar Link: https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/95963000327?
- **Phone Number:** 1-312-626-6799
- Webinar ID: 95963000327
- **Passcode:** 066591



Awards/Recognition



Purple Star School

This award shows recognition to schools that show a major commitment to serving students and families connected to the United States Armed Forces.

To earn the recognition, schools shall engage in the following activities:

- Designate a staff member to serve as a military liaison and engage in the following:
- Serve as the primary point of contact for military connected students and families
- Work to identify special considerations needed by military-connected students and families
- Develop training to inform teachers and other school personnel of those special considerations
- Create a dedicated page on its website featuring resources for military-connected students and families
- Create a student-led transition program to provide peer support for military-connected students

Other criteria and information can be found by visiting the <u>LDOE Awards page</u> along with the application form.

Connect with Our Office



Jump Start Convention/CWA Summit 2024

The session schedule has been released via Whova. Attendees must pre-register for sessions in order to reserve a seat in the session.

When: January 23; 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Where: Cajundome and Convention Center; 444 Cajundome Blvd.,

Lafayette, LA





Save the Date: TL Summit 2024

Early bird registration is now open for the 2024 Teacher Leader Summit.

When: May 28 - May 30, 2024

Where: New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center



Office of Career and College Readiness **Monthly Calls**

Child Welfare and Attendance Monthly Call	February 1 at 8 a.m.
Alternative Education Community of Practice	February 8 at 10 a.m.
Office of Career and College Readiness Monthly Call	February 15 at 3 p.m.
Healthy Communities Monthly Call	February 22 at 2 p.m.



Helpful Information

Schedules, access links and information for the Department's webinars can be found in the <u>LDOE Weekly Newsletter</u> and <u>School System Support Calendar</u>. Please reach out to the following contacts with questions:

highschoolacademics@la.gov	General questions about the office and about graduation requirements
ldefinancialaid@la.gov	Questions related to the financial aid policy or for assistance with FAFSA completion
sca@la.gov	Questions related to Supplemental Course Academy/Course Choice
jumpstart@la.gov	Questions related to Jump Start

ppp@la.gov	Questions related to pupil progression
healthyschools@la.gov	Questions related to Healthy Communities/Medicaid/ School Safety
transcripts@la.gov	Questions about duplicate transcripts



Questions?

