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Hi everyone! My name is Lindsay Hebert and I am an early interventionist working in Ascension Public Schools. For the last 8 years, I have had the privilege to work in a reverse-inclusion early childhood classroom at Lakeside Primary, where I love being able to see the growth in my students during their first school experience!

I also serve as a Teacher Leader Advisor which has provided me with the opportunity to serve on the [Early Learning and Development Standards \(ELDS\) Revision Committee](#). The committee has worked hard on revising the current early childhood standards. It has been such a rewarding experience as a classroom teacher to be able to provide input on these standards that guide our instruction and establish a

common vision of developmentally-appropriate expectations for young children.

The committee has worked to make these standards *more inclusive* for all children, to have a *more scaffolded alignment* across age bands, to be *more aligned* to kindergarten standards, and to be *more navigable* for teachers and families. These revised standards and indicators will guide teachers and caregivers on the learning experiences children should have in their earliest years while setting them up for success in kindergarten and beyond. I am excited to see these newly revised standards in action!

I'm also excited to be presenting at the [Teacher Leader Summit](#) on one of my favorite things - STEM in Pre-K! Young children enjoy solving problems and exploring the world through science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Consider attending my session "'STEM'-ulate Learning and Curiosity in the Early Childhood Classroom!" to learn more about the benefits of STEM for young children. The Teacher Leader Summit will be a wonderful opportunity for all educators to engage in professional learning to ensure that we are ready to support our students as we make a comeback!

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TEACHER LEADER SUMMIT

Prepare for Arrival

In less than 30 days, Louisiana’s educators will come together at Teacher Leader Summit in New Orleans. Educators will have an opportunity to hear from the [keynote speakers](#), Stephen M.R. Covey and Juliana Urtubey.

All registered participants must reserve a seat within Whova to attend [sessions](#) during Teacher Leader Summit. Session capacity is limited and available on a first come, first served basis. Evening networking socials are also available on May 31 and June 1. For details on how to reserve a seat, as well as prepare for arrival, attendees can use [these recommendations](#).

The City of New Orleans has lifted the mask, vaccine, and test requirements as of March 21. Under the [updated guidelines](#), Teacher Leader Summit will not require masks, vaccines, or tests.

Please contact LDOEvents@la.gov with questions.

LITERACY RESOURCES

Analyzing End-of-Year Data Guidance

The Department’s Literacy Division has released a set of templates to support teachers and leaders with analyzing end-of-year literacy screener data and planning for student success. The following templates can be accessed in the [Literacy Library](#) under the Literacy Goals pillar.

- [Universal Screener EOY Analysis Template - Teachers](#)
- [Universal Screener EOY Analysis Template - Site-Level Leaders](#)
- [Universal Screener EOY Analysis Template - District Leaders](#)
- [Universal Screener Analysis Template - Interventionists](#)

Please contact louisianaliteracy@la.gov with questions.

Teacher Leader Summit Session Line-Up

The Literacy Division will be presenting several sessions at Teacher Leader Summit to support teachers and leaders with literacy implementation focused around the literacy pillars. The Literacy sessions will cover the following topics:

- Middle and High School Literacy
- Literacy Plans
- Foundational Skills in Grades 3 and up
- Interventions for All Grade Levels
- Literacy Coaching
- Literacy Leadership
- Student Literacy Plans
- Family Engagement around Literacy

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ELA RESOURCES

ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) The Writing Revolution Webinar Registration

The Department has partnered with [The Writing Revolution](#) on the ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) revisions to incorporate an explicit writing progression utilizing The Hochman Method® in the ELA Guidebooks. The Writing Revolution's sequential progression of strategies is integrated throughout the content in the updated ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) units. [The Writing Revolution](#) is hosting additional workshops to support school systems in implementing these writing strategies and integrated activities.

Interested teachers and instructional leaders should [register](#) for one of the following webinars:

- Monday, June 6: Asynchronous Training Start
- Monday, June 27 at 8:00 a.m. (full day session)
- Thursday, August 4 at 8:00 a.m. (full day session)
- Monday, August 8 at 9:00 a.m. and Tuesday, August 9 9:00 a.m. (two half day sessions)

Please contact guidebooks@thewritingrevolution.org with any questions.

Louisiana's ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) Overview

[Louisiana's ELA Guidebooks 3-5 \(2022\) Overview document](#) has been updated to include the most up-to-date information about revisions to the ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) units. The overview document contains the following important information to support school systems in implementing these updated units:

- an overview of updates to ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022);
- curriculum access and text purchasing information;
- unit text and topic overviews with release schedule; and
- [master text lists](#)

Please contact elaguidebooks@la.gov with questions.

ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) Unit Availability

All ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) development units are now exclusively available on the [Louisiana Curriculum Hub](#). However, Imagine Learning/LearnZillion will continue to provide access to ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2018) and a timeline for the implementation of ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) on their platform has not yet been released.

For additional information on the future plans of ELA Guidebooks 3-5 (2022) on the Imagine Learning/LearnZillion site, including updates regarding the timeline and the existing ELA Guidebook units on the site, please reach out to Imagine Learning/LearnZillion directly.

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Accelerate ELA Feedback

Accelerate, Louisiana’s pre-K-12 tutoring strategy, is designed for school systems to implement equal access tutoring at scale to achieve significant results for all students. Throughout the 2021-2022 school year, the Department has released ELA Accelerate materials for grades K-10. As we begin to plan for future developments, we are requesting feedback on the Accelerate ELA resources.

Please complete the brief [survey](#) by **June 6** to share your feedback.

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SOCIAL STUDIES RESOURCES

2022 K-12 Louisiana Student Standards for Social Studies Implementation Information

The [2022 K-12 Louisiana Student Standards for Social Studies](#) will be implemented in the 2023-2024 school year. A [brief guide for implementation](#) is posted to the [K-12 Social Studies Resources page](#) and [Grades 9-12 Social Studies Teacher Library](#). The Department will provide resources and educator professional development to support the implementation of the new social studies standards starting at this year’s Teacher Leader Summit and throughout the 2022-2023 school year. The Department will begin hosting [webinars](#) this summer to support district leaders, school leaders, and teachers as they prepare to transition to the 2022 K-12 Louisiana Students Standards for Social Studies. The first webinar will be held on June 9.

Please contact classroomsupporttoolbox@la.gov with questions.

MATH RESOURCES

New High Quality (Tier 1) Math Materials Identified for High School

To support school systems as they transition from archived high school math materials to currently available high quality high school materials, the Department has partnered with Great Minds to offer three informational sessions on the newly available Tier 1 curriculum, Eureka Math Squared for Algebra I. Register by clicking on the links below.

- Interactive Presentation: Sit with the Author of Tier I Eureka Math² Algebra I - Former Lafayette Parish educator Bridget Soumellian will share her perspective as a writer of Algebra I for Eureka Math².
 - [Thursday, May 12 at 3:00 p.m.](#)
- An Overview of Tier I Eureka Math² Algebra I:
 - [Thursday, June 8 at 9:00 a.m.](#)
 - [Wednesday, July 20 at 9:00 a.m.](#)

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Math Planning Guide Updates

To assist teachers in preparing for upcoming lessons within high quality math materials during teacher collaboration, the Department has updated the [Math Planning Guide](#).

This resource includes guiding questions and protocols for

- foundational study of the standards;
- planning supports to accelerate learning;
- collaborative lesson planning; and
- unpacking student understanding.

A session at Teacher Leader Summit will focus on supporting teachers in the use of this guide, with a focus on proactive planning for accelerating learning.

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Using ASSISTments to Accelerate Learning with Illustrative and Eureka Math Summer Training

[ASSISTments](#) is a free math practice and assessment platform that supports the Department's [Accelerate Math Strategy](#) and streamlines the Accelerate cycle. Teachers can assign all of the [Accelerate Math Diagnostics and Tutoring Exit tickets](#) online and get immediate data to use when planning just-in-time supports and monitoring student progress. ASSISTments is holding a [free training](#) June 21 at 2:30 p.m. to provide Louisiana educators with information about how this resource can be used to support learning acceleration. Participants will receive a full demonstration of the features of ASSISTments, designed uniquely for Louisiana schools. [Registration](#) is now open.

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Ready Louisiana Mathematics Resources for Summer Learning Programs Now Available

Materials used in summer learning should be of the same quality as those used during the school year. The Department has released [Guidance for Accelerating Summer Math Learning](#) to support systems in providing strong summer programs that accelerate students' readiness to engage in grade level mathematics in the upcoming year. This guidance has recently been updated to include an opportunity for free access to [Ready Louisiana](#) materials for use in summer learning acceleration programs. The [Ready Louisiana Mathematics Summer Learning Guidance](#) includes a 6 week map of Mini Units designed to be used with rising grade 1-9 students. Each week focuses on one general topic or standards cluster. Details on professional learning can be found on the [Ready Louisiana Summer Acceleration site](#).

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SCIENCE RESOURCES

Featured Summit Field Trip and Highlighted Sessions for Science and STEM

Science and STEM sessions at the [2022 Teacher Leader Summit](#) will focus on leveraging the unique assets of students and communities as part of a [high quality science](#) learning environment. [Highlighted sessions](#) will focus on supporting student engagement in authentic, place-based learning and will feature

- a panel discussion with experts in the field for place-based learning, local Louisiana science leaders, and classroom teachers;
- an interactive nature walk where engaging students in meaningful outdoor learning will come alive; and
- interactive, workshop-style sessions focused on exploring teaching and learning frameworks for science and outdoor learning.

Summit attendees can search for these [highlighted session](#) titles and pre-register for all sessions within the Whova app.

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EDTECH

Educational Technology Plan Update

The Department has approved a revised Educational Technology plan that will be the framework for Educational Technology supports for Louisiana school systems in the future. The revised plan will be launched at Teacher Leader Summit. The plan will be posted along with ongoing school support on the new [Digital Learning website](#).

Please contact digitallearning@la.gov with questions.

EDUCATOR OPPORTUNITIES

2022-2023 Teacher Leader Advisors

The Department is now accepting applications for 2022-2023 Teacher Leader Advisors. TLAs work closely with Department staff throughout the year to make sure school systems across the state have access to high-quality instructional materials. All interested Louisiana educators should complete the application by **5 p.m., June 11**.

For an overview of the work planned for 2022-2023 and a link to the application, see [the TLA flyer](#).

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STEM Teacher Micro-Credentialing Opportunity for High School Educators

The Department has received an Education Innovation and Research grant from the U.S. Department of Education to research and develop a new mechanism to provide high quality professional support and one of the nation's first credentialing systems to recognize the expertise of STEM teachers. The Department is currently recruiting

Louisiana high school teachers to be a part of this development and study. This opportunity is open to teachers who are currently teaching or plan to teach coursework within high school [STEM Pathways](#).

Interested High School STEM Teachers are invited to join the Micro-credential Study webinar for more information about this unique offering and to ask questions about participation.

- **Webinar Date and Time:** May 17 at 5 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/96741479310>
- **Webinar Phone Number:** 312-626-6799
- **Meeting ID:** 967 4147 9310
- **Passcode:** 507254

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