

Guidance for School Systems

- The following pages include training-specific lists of BESE-approved vendors for Mentor and Content Leader training as of **October 2021**. Going forward, BESE will consider applications in October and April of each year and this list will be updated to reflect new approvals.
- Beginning in 2020-2021, school systems will be responsible for contacting vendors directly to arrange for training of new Mentors and Content Leaders. Contact information is provided below. Please reach out to vendors directly for more information about their training offerings and requirements.
 - Local-hosted training should be arranged directly with a vendor. Costs will vary based on the number of participants and services requested.
 - Participants in university-based training may be required to apply for admission and pay additional university fees as part of their training costs.
- We encourage school systems to refer to the [School System Planning Guide](#) in the [School Improvement Library](#) to ensure they meet requirements related to Mentors and Content Leaders.
 - For 2021-2022, all CIR-designated schools are expected to have at least one Mentor Teacher and a Content Leader in ELA, math, and K-2 Literacy. In addition, all UIR-A schools may request optional funding to train Content Leaders in Science and K-2 Literacy.
- Finally, starting on September 1, 2020, policy will require teachers to have earned the ancillary Mentor Teacher certificate to host an undergraduate resident or post-baccalaureate residents. There are two exceptions to this policy:
 - The Supervisor of Student Teaching certificate will allow holders to continue hosting residents until Fall of 2023.
 - The one-year, non-renewable provisional Mentor Teacher certificate will allow holders to mentor a resident while completing all ancillary certificate requirements.
 - In the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years, BESE approved the Mentor Credential Waiver which is granted on a case by case basis to educators that meet a list of pre-determined qualifications.

For more information, please contact BelieveAndPrepare@la.gov. To learn more about other vendor partnerships, visit the LDOE [Vendor Catalog](#).

Training Name: **Mentor Teacher Training**

Training Description: This training prepares local educators to become certified Mentor Teachers who will support undergraduate residents, post-baccalaureate candidates, and developing teachers in their district. Beginning September 1, 2020, Mentor Teacher certification will be required to host a resident teacher.

Mentor Teacher training focuses on improving participants' knowledge of essential content, content pedagogy, and methods to support others in their development of these concepts and skills. These following skills and knowledge are at the core of Mentor Teacher training:

- Building strong relationships with their residents/teachers
- Identifying and addressing the needs of residents/teachers based on teacher preparation competencies
- Implementing regular observation and feedback cycles to deliver resources and coaching for residents/teachers
- Tracking resident/teacher progress and facilitating self-reflection and improvement

To be eligible for certification, Mentor Teachers must also pass the training-aligned Louisiana Mentor Teacher Assessment Series.

Provider	Delivery Method	Training Offered and Cost	Contact Person
A+PEL	Online and in-person (when possible) with a combination of asynchronous, hybrid, and in-person training.	Offering open, rolling enrollment <u>Individual:</u> \$399 <u>District:</u> Contact vendor for more information; starting at \$9,000 for in-person training	Keith Courville (keith@apeleducators.org)
Crescent City Schools	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training combined with self-guided activities.	Training Offered to Crescent City Schools Employees Only	Cynthia Costello (ccostello@crescentcityschools.org)
Collegiate Academies	Online and in-person (when possible) with training from a facilitator.	Offering district training <u>District:</u> Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants)	Soraya Verjee (sverjee@collegiateacademies.org)
Dana Center at the University of Texas	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training combined with self-guided activities.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District:</u> Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services)	Shelly Ledoux (shelly.ledoux@austin.utexas.edu)

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Grambling State University	Online and in-person (when possible) with self-guided online training.	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$1790 (6 graduate credit hours)	Cheryl Ensley (ensleyc@gram.edu)
Grant Parish	Online and in-person (when possible) with training from a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training <u>In-District</u> : \$200 includes assessment fee <u>Out of District</u> : \$675 includes assessment fee	Amy Merrell (amy.merrell@gpsb.org)
Learning Forward	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training from a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants)	Tom Manning (tom.manning@learningforward.org)
Louisiana State University - Baton Rouge	Online with a combination of self-guided/recorded webinars and trainings with a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training <u>Individual</u> : graduate level tuition for three hour course	Dr. Angella Stringer (Astringer@lsu.edu)
Louisiana State University - Shreveport	Online with a combination of self-guided/recorded webinars and trainings with a facilitator.	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : graduate level tuition per credit hour	Dr. Tracey Burrell (tracey.burrell@lsus.edu)
Louisiana Tech University	Online with self-guided training with weekly Zoom meetings for continuous support.	Offering centralized and district training. Additional training and pricing information can be found on the website here . Contact vendor with additional questions.	Amy Vessel (avessel@latech.edu) Dustin Hebert (hebertd@latech.edu)
The Loyola University New Orleans/Xavier University of Louisiana Collaborative	Online and in-person (when possible)	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants)	Dr. Glenda Hembree (gghembre@loyno.edu)

McNeese State University	Online with recorded webinars.	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$900 (6 graduate credit hours) plus \$175 assessment fee	Angelique Ogea (agea@mcneese.edu) or Fara Seal (fseal@mcneese.edu)
Nicholls State University	Online and in-person (when possible)	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$375 plus \$175 assessment fee	Channing Parfait (channing.parfait@nicholls.edu)
National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (NIET)	Online and in-person (when possible) with a combination of synchronous (virtual training) and some asynchronous sessions.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information; training rates assessed per day, not per participant	Sheila Talamo (stalamo@niet.org)
Northwestern State University	Online with self-guided training	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$250 per course (two courses) plus \$175 assessment fee	Ramona A. Wynder (wynder@nsula.edu)
Oxford Teachers Academy	Online with combination of self-guided, recorded, and live virtual trainings.	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$2,250	Donna Hyatt Scarlett (dscarlett@reach.edu) Rose Chantiluke (rchantiluke@reach.edu)
Relay Graduate School of Education	Online and in-person (when possible) with training from a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training <u>Individual</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants) <u>District</u> : \$1,600 per participant	Aspen Davis (ADavis@relay.edu)
SchoolKit	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Ethan Mitnick (ethan@schoolkitgroup.com)

Southeastern Louisiana University	Online and in-person (when possible) with self-guided training	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$800 (6 graduate credit hours) plus \$175 assessment fee	Jordan Ahrend (jordan.ahrend@selu.edu)
Southern University	Online with virtual training from a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training <u>Individual</u> : \$1,111 plus \$175 assessment fee	Verjanis Peoples (verjanis_peoples@subr.edu)
St. Charles Parish	Online and in-person (when possible) with combination of recorded & live support sessions	Offering district training	Margaret Tobi Flair (mherzogflair@stcharles.k12.la.us)
St. Tammany Parish Schools	Online and in-person (when possible) with combination of recorded & live support sessions	Offering district training No charge for St. Tammany teachers.	Amiee Lemane (amiee.lemane@stpsb.org)
Tangipahoa Parish Schools	Online and in-person (when possible) with live training with a facilitator	Offer district training No charge for Tangipahoa teachers.	Jill Foster (Jill.Foster@tangischools.org)
Teach For America	Online and in-person (when possible) with live training with a facilitator	Offering centralized training. Contact vendor for more information regarding larger-scale partnerships. Additional program information can be found here . <u>Individual</u> : \$2,000 (includes assessment fee)	Tom DeLay (mentorteacher@teachforamerica.org)
The Teaching and Learning Center (LAE)	Online with a combination of virtual webinars and self-guided training.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District</u> : \$0 for two Elementary cohorts, plus \$175 assessment fee	Suzanne Harris (sharris@lae.org)
TNTP	Online and in-person (when possible) with live training with a facilitator	Offering centralized training. Additional program information can be found here . <u>Individual</u> : \$2,200 (includes assessment fee)	Ronicka Briscoe (ronicka.briscoe@tntp.org)

University of Holy Cross	Online with self-guided online training	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$2,115 (After 50% discount for full-time classroom teachers: \$1057.50). Fall fees for 3 credit hours: \$326	Brooke Muntean, Ph.D. (bmuntean@uhcno.edu)
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	Online with a combination of virtual webinars and self-guided training.	Offering centralized and district training <u>Individual</u> : \$150 plus \$175 assessment fee	Peter Sheppard (psheppard@louisiana.edu)
University of Louisiana at Monroe	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual and self-guided trainings	Offering centralized training <u>Individual</u> : \$400 plus \$175 assessment fee	Myra Lovett (mlovett@ulm.edu)
University of New Orleans	Online and in-person (when possible) with synchronous and asynchronous online instruction	Offering centralized and district training <u>Individual</u> : \$750 for PD pathway and regular tuition for Masters pathway (effective Fall 2021) <u>District</u> : Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Dr. Paul T Bole (pbole@uno.edu)

Training Name: Content Leader Training

Training Description: This training prepares local educators to deliver high-quality, content-rich professional development sessions and to facilitate adult learning in their school or district.

Content Leader training provides deep knowledge of ELA, math, K-2 Literacy, and science content and content pedagogy, as well as deep analysis of a tier one curriculum. Content Leaders also develop an understanding of adult learning theory and necessary skills to facilitate high-quality learning experiences for their fellow educators. Following training, Content Leaders are also given access to 36 hours of turn-key professional development materials on which they have been trained for Delivery.

To be eligible for certification, Content Leaders must also pass the training-aligned Louisiana Content Leader Assessment Series.

Provider	Content Area(s)	High-Quality Curricula	Delivery Method	Training Offered and Cost	Contact Person
A+PEL	ELA, Math, & K-2 Literacy (both parts)	ELA Guidebooks Eureka Math K-2: CKLA	Online and in-person (when possible) with a combination of asynchronous, hybrid, and in-person training.	Offering open, rolling enrollment for centralized and district training. <u>Individual:</u> \$399 for ELA & Math online training; \$299 for K-2 Literacy before July 1 <u>District:</u> Contact vendor for more information; starting at \$9,000 for in-person training	Keith Courville (keith@apeeducators.org)
Dana Center at the University of Texas	Math, Science, & K-2 Literacy (both parts)	Eureka Math Science: OpenSciEd K-2: CKLA	Online with self-guided activities.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District:</u> Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Shelly Ledoux (shelly.ledoux@austin.utexas.edu)
Great Minds	ELA, Math, & Science	Wit & Wisdom® Eureka Math® PhD Science®	Virtual and in-person (when possible) facilitator-led live trainings.	Offering centralized and district-specific trainings. Additional program information can be found below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELA • Math • Science 	Training Questions: ELA (K-8): Amanda Stephens (Amanda.Stephens@greatminds.org) Math (K-5 and 6-9): Cherie Neill (Cherie.Neill@greatminds.org)

				Costs will vary based on the number of participants and services provided. Contact vendor for more information.	Science (K-5): Kristi Madden (Kristi.Madden@greatminds.org) Cost Questions: Jaime Courtright (Jaime.Courtright@greatminds.org)
Instruction Partners	ELA	ELA Guidebooks	Online and in-person (when possible) with live training from a facilitator	Offering district training <u>District:</u> Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Jordan Brophy-Hilton (jordan.brophy-hilton@instructionpartners.org)
Keys to Literacy	K-2 Literacy (both parts)	K-2: CKLA	Online and in-person (when possible) with live training from a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training Live virtual training is priced at \$2700 a day per cohort (up to 35 participants) In-person price is \$3300 a day (includes all travel expenses) per cohort (up to 35 participants).	Lisa Klein (lisa@keystoliteracy.com)
Leading Educators	Math and ELA	Eureka Math; Illustrative Math ELA Guidebooks	Online and in-person (when possible) with a combination of self-guided and live training with a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training <u>Individual:</u> \$5,000 per participant <u>District:</u> contact vendor for more information	Sara Neal for individual participation (sneal@leadingeducators.org) Katie Murphy for district participation (kmurphy@leadingeducators.org)
Louisiana State University	Math	Eureka Math	Online and in-person (when possible) with live training with a	Offering centralized and district training Contact vendor for more information (costs	Dr. James Madden (mmmad@math.lsu.edu)

			facilitator.	will vary based on number of participants and services provided).	
Louisiana Tech University	Math and ELA	ELA Guidebook Eureka Math	Online with self-guided training with weekly Zoom meetings for continuous support.	Offering centralized and district training. Additional training and pricing information can be found on the website here . Contact vendor with additional questions.	Amy Vessel (avessel@latech.edu) Dustin Hebert (hebertd@latech.edu)
SchoolKit	ELA, Math, and Science	ELA Guidebooks Eureka Math Science: OpenSciEd	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District:</u> Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Ethan Mitnick (ethan@schoolkitgroup.com)
St. Tammany Parish Schools	Math and ELA	Eureka Math ELA Guidebooks	Online and in-person (when possible) with combination of recorded & live support sessions	Offering district training No charge for St. Tammany teachers.	Amiee Lemane (amiee.lemane@stpsb.org)
Teaching Lab	ELA	ELA Guidebooks	Online and in-person (when possible) with virtual training from a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training <u>District:</u> Contact vendor for more information (costs will vary based on number of participants and services provided)	Rene Arnold (rene.arnold@teachinglab.org)
TNTP	ELA, Math, Science, & K-2 Literacy (both parts)	ELA Guidebooks Eureka Math Science: OpenSciEd K-2: CKLA	Online and in-person (when possible) with live training from a facilitator.	Offering centralized and district training. Additional program information can be found here . Individual: \$3,000 per participant includes assessment fee.	Ronicka Briscoe (ronicka.briscoe@tntp.org)