

Strong Start 2020

To support school systems in preparing for the 2020-2021 school year in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) released the [Strong Start 2020 plan](#).

School systems must ensure a strong start for every student and have a continuous education plan that is aligned to their current, coherent [school system plan](#) submitted via Super App. The Strong Start Planning Priorities are designed to support school systems as they plan for a strong start to the 2020-2021 academic year. The priorities focus on actions that:

- Address unfinished learning from the 2019-2020 school year,
- Set the foundation for continuous learning in 2020-2021, and
- Prepare for school facility closures and modified operations.

Implementation Survey Purpose

The Strong Start 2020 Implementation Survey will be administered in the summer, winter, and spring to collect data from school systems regarding the implementation of the sixteen [priorities](#) in the Strong Start 2020 plan.

Data collected from the surveys will be used to:

- Capture school system plans aligned to Strong Start 2020,
- Understand the experiences of Louisiana students and educators,
- Inform decisions about supports needed for school systems, and
- Share with various stakeholders.

Timeline

Below are the release and due dates for the summer survey. The winter and spring survey dates will be released during the school year.

Summer Survey	
July 14	Summer Strong Start 2020 Implementation Survey Released
July 28	Summer Strong Start 2020 Implementation Survey Due via Jot Form

Directions for Survey Completion

School system leadership or early childhood lead agencies should work with their team to develop and review a set of answers to the survey questions in the [fillable PDF version of the survey](#). Leaders of the following school system work streams should be involved in completion of the survey:

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| • Early Childhood | • Academics | • Finance or Grants |
| • Assessment | • Professional Development | • Management |
| • Special Education | • High Schools | • Technology |
| • English Learners | • Counseling | |
| • Operations | • Human Resources | |

Only one response per school system/lead agency can be submitted. Responses are generally required for all questions. Once a school system superintendent/lead agency point of contact, or their designee, has approved the responses to the survey, a designated point of contact should submit the [survey via Jot Form](#). For questions, please reach out to your Network Coach or DistrictSupport@la.gov.