

# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PREPARATION PROVIDER MONTHLY EMAIL

Dear Believe and Prepare community,

Below are important updates and events for the month of December. We wish you and your family a happy holiday. As always, please reach out with any question you may have.

Sincerely,  
Nicole Bono

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**December 8:** Spring On-site Review Logistics [Webinar](#)

**January 25:** Teacher preparation [office hours](#)

**January 27:** Teacher preparation [monthly webinar](#)

## **IMPORTANT DEADLINES**

**December 11:** LouisianaTeacherPrep.com about this program page [updates](#) due

**January 6:** Teacher Leader Summit [session applications](#) due

**January 27:** Deadline to submit notice of intent for spring program approvals

## **NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Teacher Preparation Office Hours**

The Department is excited to continue our monthly office hours call. Based on our communications survey, the topic for January's office hours will be recruiting and supporting pre-service teachers of color. The next office hours will be held **January 25th from 1-2 pm.**

- **Webinar Link:**  
<https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/99680683443?pwd=aEdjbEpkTWU2R1U1OWRRQXoxY1Z6UT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 996 8068 3443
- **Passcode:** M3m02#
- **Number:** 1-301-715-8592,,99680683443#

Please contact [nicole.bono@la.gov](mailto:nicole.bono@la.gov) with any questions.

### **Preparation Provider Monthly Webinar**

The Department will continue holding monthly webinars for teacher preparation providers to provide updates and information. The next webinar will be on **January 27th at 10:00 a.m.** All preparation provider leaders and faculty members are welcome to join.

**Webinar Details:**

- Webinar Date and Time: Wednesday, January 27 from 10:00-11:00 a.m.
- Webinar Link: <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/440246097>
- Webinar Phone Number: 646-876-9923
- Meeting ID#: 440 246 097

Please contact [nicole.bono@la.gov](mailto:nicole.bono@la.gov) with questions.

**Early Literacy Opportunities**

Requests for Applications (RFAs) released by the Department are available on the [LAPAC website](#).

REAL Tutoring	Early Literacy Vendor Guide
Applications are accepted on a rolling basis	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis
Tutoring services are set to begin in Spring 2021	Approved vendors added to vendor guide in early 2021

**Mentor and Content Leader Training Providers**

**Math Content Leader Revisions:** LDOE has initiated the process to incorporate revisions to the Math Content Leader training. On December 8, we are holding a meeting with the six approved math providers to discuss revisions and gain feedback.

**Data Collection and Verification:** In October 2021, BESE will receive effectiveness data of each approved provider offering Mentor or Content Leader training. Effectiveness data will include Louisiana Mentor assessment series or Louisiana Content Leader assessment series passage rates and active training facilitator credentials. The [process for data collection and verification](#) can be found in the Training Provider Section of the Mentor Teacher and Content Leader Library.

**Enrollment Form:** An improved Enrollment Form template has been updated in the provider library to expedite the enrollment process. Enrollment forms should be submitted to [believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:believeandprepare@la.gov) and [sanya.kennedy@bloomboard.com](mailto:sanya.kennedy@bloomboard.com) before the beginning of training.

**BloomBoard Mid-year Check-In:** [Schedule](#) a mid-year check-in with Bloomboard to review your program's data, celebrate successes, and strategize around challenges.

Contact [Believeandprepare@la.gov](mailto:Believeandprepare@la.gov) with any questions.

**Save the Date: Teacher Leader Summit**

The 2021 Teacher Leader Summit will take place May 25–27 at the Morial Convention Center in New Orleans. Both the Department and the Convention Center are taking measures to promote the health and safety of all participants and will have a reduced overall capacity.

Registration for the Summit will occur in three phases:

- Early bird registration (January 8 through March 1)
- Regular registration (March 2 through May 10)
- On-site registration for those who do not register by May 10

Louisiana teachers and leaders are invited to share their expertise with educators statewide by [applying](#) to facilitate a session at Teacher Leader Summit 2021.

**Applications Open:** Monday, November 16, 2020

**Applications Due:** Wednesday, January 6, 2021

More information can be found in the [Teacher Leader Library](#).

## **Teacher Certification**

SAT update: Bulletin 746 policy will be updated to include language in alignment with the current SAT structure and scoring. In the interim, based on concordance tables, it has been determined that the certification office can use an SAT combined score of 1100 to waive Praxis I until policy is updated.

At this time ACT/SAT superscores **cannot** be used. Therefore, any ACT/SAT scores provided to the certification office must be on an official ACT/SAT score report, official transcripts, or official university letterhead. If provided on transcripts or university letterhead, each subtest score must be provided, in addition to the composite score.

Please contact [certification@la.gov](mailto:certification@la.gov) with any questions.

## **TEACHER PREPARATION QUALITY RATING SYSTEM**

### **LouisianaTeacherPrep.com Website Updates Request System**

The application to submit updates to the program's "About This Program" page on [LouisianaTeacherPrep.com](#) is now open and can be accessed [here](#). All Winter 2020-2021 updates requested must be submitted by **December 11** and will go live to the public during the week of January 18. You only need to complete sections for the website you are requesting to update. The rest of the application can be left blank.

Please contact [erich.schultz@la.gov](mailto:erich.schultz@la.gov) if you have any questions.

### **Louisiana Onsite Review Exemplar Guidance: Webinar Series**

Based upon feedback from teacher preparation providers, the Department released the [Louisiana Onsite Review Exemplar Guidance](#). The Department will host a series of webinars to dig into the exemplar tools and resources with preparation providers. The Quality of Recruitment and Selection [webinar](#) is on **January 13, 2021 from 10:00 to 11:15 am**. During the webinar, teacher preparation providers will evaluate the Louisiana Teacher Preparation Onsite Review Exemplar Guidance and the US Prep Teacher

Candidate Recruitment Guide. Participants will understand how to use the comprehensive recruitment guide to meet the Quality of Recruitment and Selection domain in the Onsite Review Framework.

### Webinar Details

- Webinar Date and Time: January 13, 2021; 10:00 am - 11:15 am
- Webinar Link:  
<https://doe.zoom.us/j/96236339941?pwd=MnF3eUgyUVZVa3N6YVFFOHFHd0piZz09>
- Webinar Phone Number: +14703812552;96236339941#
- Meeting ID#: 962 3633 9941
- Passcode:496051

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to [Lydia.Hill@la.gov](mailto:Lydia.Hill@la.gov).

## TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM APPROVAL

### 2021 Program Approval Applications

Teacher, early childhood ancillary certificate program, educational leader proposals for initial approval, and mentor and content leader training proposals are accepted and considered by BESE twice per year. Proposals that meet all initial submission requirements will be evaluated by a panel of reviewers to ensure proposals meet certification policy requirements.

Preparation providers seeking approval to offer new programs must first submit a [Notice of Intent](#) (NOI), and once that is received, the Department will send a link to the application. The deadlines to submit notices of intent and applications are highlighted in the chart below.

Notice of Intent Submitted By	Application Submission Deadline	Evaluation Period	Notification of Evaluation Results	BESE Considers (if recommended for approval)
01/27/2021	02/21/2021	02/24/2021 – 03/31/2021	04/01/2021	4/21/2021
06/2/2021	06/30/2012	07/02/2021 – 08/19/2021	09/23/2021	10/13/2021

If you have any questions, please contact [Sara.Delano@la.gov](mailto:Sara.Delano@la.gov).