

LDOE Quarterly Report to the DD Council

Update/progress on agency initiatives

Early Childhood

All Louisiana parishes are now participating in the early childhood care and education network. This puts the state ahead of schedule for full implementation. For more information click [here](#).

Jump Start

The first Jump Start convention was held in January 2015. Over 700 educators and industry leaders attended the event. The convention addressed opportunities for all students to have a pathway out of high school that leads to a prosperous adult life. This includes newly identified opportunities for students with disabilities. For more information on the convention click [here](#). For more information on BESE approved Jump Start pathways for Act 833 eligible students click [here](#).

LAA 1

The Department has been working on three phases of a revised LAA 1 policy. This includes defining the student population, high school experience, and connection to the accountability system. BESE is expected to vote on the high school experience proposal in April.

LAA 1 Policy Component	Question to Consider	Proposed Timeline
Eligibility Criteria	Should IEP teams have flexibility beyond the three standard deviations when identifying students as eligible for LAA 1 assessments?	Completed
High School Completion	What does a successful high school experience look like for students assessed on the LAA 1?	January and March SEAP
Accountability	How should we amend the high school accountability formula to recognize achievements of students assessed on the LAA 1?	Summer 2015

Status of Council recommendations to agency (if applicable)

Action Item	Status
LDOE will send DD Council information regarding effective transition planning	Completed 1/22/15 via email to Sandee, Shawn, and Sam from Jamie Wong
LDOE will include LRS information specific to transition planning and services in electronic newsletter	Will include as information is available. LDOE is partnering with LRS to discuss how school districts can leverage LRS funds during the June 2015 Teacher Leader Summit.

