Update/progress on agency initiatives

**New Vision for the Louisiana Special School District:**
The Louisiana Department of Education announced interim leadership appointments in the Special School District (SSD). Effective immediately, Dr. Patrick Cooper, who once led the state’s special education office and who has been a local superintendent, will serve as the Interim Superintendent of the SSD, and Ryan Gollner, principal of the Louisiana School for the Deaf, will now serve as the Interim Director for the Louisiana School for the Deaf.


**Coordinated Early Intervening Services:**
The Louisiana Department of Education recently launched a new page to publicly share information about coordinated early intervening services. On annual basis the LDOE analyzes the likelihood that students from one race or ethnicity will be subject to a certain outcome (over identification, restrictive placement, or exclusionary discipline) relative to students from all other races and ethnicities in each school system across the state. If a school system is identified as significantly disproportionate, they must reserve 15 percent of their IDEA Part B funding for coordinated early intervening services (CEIS).

Learn more about this here: [https://www.louisianabelieves.com/academics/coordinated-early-intervening-services](https://www.louisianabelieves.com/academics/coordinated-early-intervening-services)

**Teacher Training:**
This summer thousands of educators across the state are participating in high quality professional development. In June, educators met in New Orleans for the annual Teacher Leader Summit. Throughout the summer educators are earning credentials to provide industry training to students at the regional Jump Start Super Summer Institute.

Learn more about both here:


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