



**Information Alert #9:  
Advocacy Works!  
LDOE commits to push out guidance and  
information related to promotion of students with  
disabilities!**

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Thanks to the almost fifty LaCAN members who contacted BESE regarding misunderstandings in how to promote certain students with disabilities to higher grade levels, additional efforts will be made to provide school systems with guidance and information. At the BESE meeting on Tuesday, August 14th, the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) committed to push out the guidance and information on its website related to Act 833.

Although BESE did not move to revise the rules (i.e., Bulletin) related to Pupil Progression Plans, many BESE members expressed appreciation for having these issues brought to their attention. BESE member Kathy Edmonston persisted with requesting the LDOE do something to help schools better understand how to implement the law related to promoting students with disabilities. LDOE responded by indicating it will send out the hyperlinks to the guidance available on the website.

LDOE encourages parents who are experiencing issues to first contact their local school district administrators (i.e., principal or superintendent). LDOE representatives indicated they would be happy to facilitate a conversation with a school district and provide guidance and support to any school district in understanding the law and how to implement it.

Below are some of the links on the LDOE webpage with information and guidance on Act 833 of 2014 related to promotion of students with disabilities:

[Act 833 Promotion Webinar](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions on Act 833: Graduation and Promotion](#)

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