



# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

August 3, 2018

Re: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers External Organization Profile Release

To Whom It May Concern:

The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) is pleased to announce the opportunity for nonprofit organizations in Louisiana to submit an external organization profile (Profile). The LDOE is required, under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Title IV, Part B, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (21<sup>st</sup> CCLC), to provide a list of pre-screened external organizations.

The term “external organization” is defined by ESSA as: “(A) a nonprofit organization with a record of success in running or working with before and after school (or summer recess) programs and activities; or (B) in the case of a community where there is no such organization, a nonprofit organization in the community that enters into a written agreement or partnership with an organization described in subparagraph (A) to receive mentoring and guidance in running or working with before and after school (or summer recess) programs and activities” (ESSA, section 4201).

To meet the requirements for the minimum record of success, any organization submitting a Profile must:

- Operate as a nonprofit in good standing in Louisiana; and
- Have a minimum of seven years of experience operating or delivering services to out-of-school time programs in Louisiana.

If your organization meets the record of success requirements, you are eligible to complete and submit the Profile at [LDOE Ex Org Profile 18-19](#) no later than 2:00 p.m. CDT on August 24, 2018. The next opportunity to submit a Profile will occur during the summer of 2020. LDOE will post the pre-screened list at <https://www.louisianabelieves.com/resources/library/family-support-toolbox-library> by October 1, 2018.

Please note that this solicitation will not result in a contract with LDOE. Nor does the listing represent an endorsement by LDOE. LDOE will verify “good standing” status using the debarred vendor list when the Profile is submitted and periodically thereafter. All eligible pre-screened organizations will remain on the list for two years from the date posted on the LDOE website.

I am requesting that you widely share this announcement through Louisiana. Thank you for your commitment to ensuring Louisiana’s children have access to high quality out-of-school time programming.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Ethan Leonard at 225-342-0668 or at [ethan.leonard@la.gov](mailto:ethan.leonard@la.gov).

Sincerely,

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