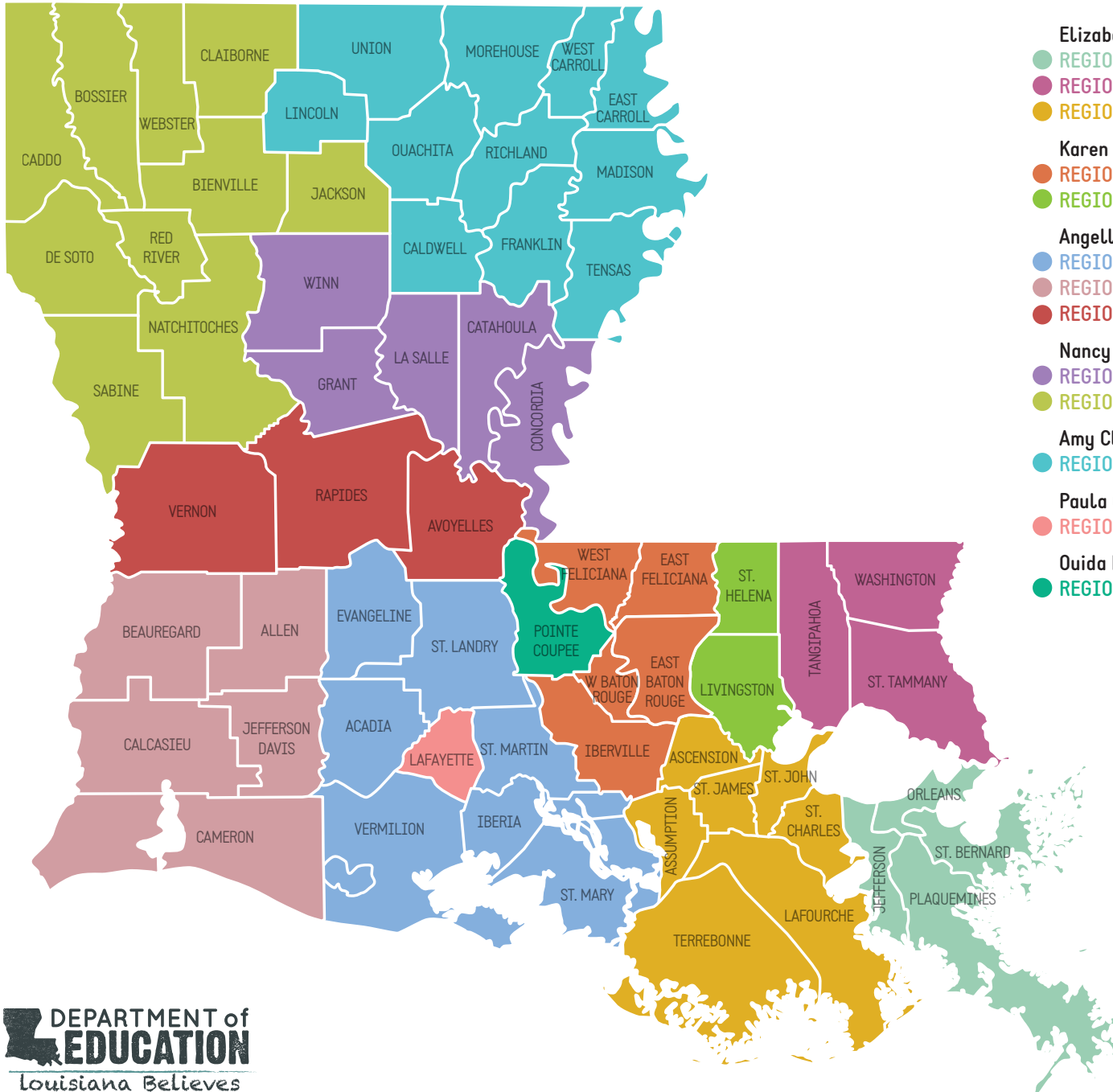


CHILD CARE RESOURCE & REFERRAL AGENCIES

(PARENT REFERRALS, PROVIDER TRAINING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE)



Elizabeth Kief, Agenda for Children:

- REGION 1, 504-586-8509
- REGION 3, 985-624-2950
- REGION 4, 985-446-8330

Karen Powell, Volunteers of America:

- REGION 2, 225-926-8005
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Angell Floyd, Volunteers of America:

- REGION 5, 337-704-2838
- REGION 6, 337-704-2838
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Nancy Alexander, Northwestern State University:

- REGION 7, 318-677-3150
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Amy Clancy, The Children's Coalition:

- REGION 9, 318-323-8775

Paula Granger, On Track by 5 Alliance:

- REGION 10, 337-521-7134

Ouida Forsyth, Pointe Coupee Early Childhood Coalition:

- REGION 11, 225-618-6688

LDE contracts with child care resource and referral agencies across the state to support providers and parents in some of the following ways:

- Assist families with finding and evaluating child care providers.
- Work with providers in developing new child care facilities.
- Offer approved training that is required for providers and their staff in order to maintain a Type III Early Learning Center license or Family Child Care or In-Home provider registration and certification as a CCAP provider.
- Provide technical assistance that brings the trainer into the child care facility to help staff solve unique problems and see how general theories can be put to work in their specific environment to improve the quality of the care children receive.

Providers should contact the Child Care Resource and Referral Agency in their area for any of the above items, training, or for any other questions regarding child care.