The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) is seeking school systems, charter management organizations, and private party course providers willing to sponsor student summer training sessions in collaboration with industry partners.

Sponsoring school systems/charter schools/course providers will be approved to use SCA funding to launch and sustain student summer training programs as long as they have at least one committed industry partner willing to provide students with the opportunity to complete on-site job shadowing and/or internships with student stipends.

**RFA** released January 29, 2019; applications accepted beginning February 1, 2019 with priority review and consideration given to those received by February 28, 2019.
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Summer training sessions can include one or more of the following:

• **Rising 10th Graders** – attaining basic safety industry-based credentials (IBCs) and NCCER Core, plus a capstone written summary and presentation of the benefits of this initial Jump Start Summers session;

• **Rising 11th Graders** – attaining any Basic Statewide IBCs and completing a series of career readiness exercises, including a self-assessment and a self-assessment presentation to an unfamiliar workplace adult, which earns the student a credential;

**Rising 12th Graders and/or Post-Graduation Young Adults in the May 2019 cohort** – attaining any Basic or Advanced Statewide IBCs, completing on-site job shadowing and/or internships, and completing job attainment exercises that include resume development, job search, mock job interview and business writing exercises.
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Students must receive a stipend, an academic Carnegie credit, job shadowing and/or internship activities, and the opportunity to test for a credential for the sessions they successfully complete. All Carnegie unit courses must meet seat time requirements per Bulletin 741. Funds may not be used to train instructors for the program.

Approval for Jump Start Summers programs will be granted to providers who demonstrate:

• commitments from employer-partners;
• compensation for students, in return for student commitment to attendance/engagement;
• diversity of students engaged, in terms of background and interest as well as disability;
• potential for multi-year sequencing; and
• commitment to helping students attain culminating industry-based credentials (IBCs).
All applicants must participate in a four-step approval process.

| Written Application | • short, written application describing the components of the program  
|                     | • must be emailed to jumpstart@la.gov  
| Interview           | • virtual interview conducted by a team of LDOE staff  
|                     | • must receive a proceed rating  
| Independent Panel Review | • independent experts review results of interview team  
|                     | • must receive a favorable rating to move on for final approval  
| BESE Approval       | • BESE meets to grant final approval of providers on April 17, 2019 |
Approved providers will receive an annual evaluation and be described in the annual evaluation report.

Providers are initially approved for three years pending successful implementation and evaluation results each summer. Below is a list of providers in the first approval cycle for summer 2018, 2019, and 2020. Currently approved providers must only submit the application for LDOE approval and documentation of summer 2019 program details between February 1-22. They do not have to again go through the interview, independent panel or BESE approval steps.

Currently Approved School Systems

Currently Approved Private Providers
NOTEP, Operation Spark
Jump Start Summers

For more information contact jumpstart@la.gov or access the RFA at the Louisiana Believes website. All applications should be emailed to jumpstart@la.gov. LDOE will inform applicants of approval.