



EARLY CHILDHOOD NEWSLETTER

January 13, 2022

Dear Colleagues,

We hope everyone had a great holiday season. Unfortunately, during the season, COVID-19 has not taken a break. With the Omicron variant, the spread has significantly increased. Most early childhood programs serve children in an age group that is not yet eligible for vaccinations. Therefore, it is important to use multiple COVID-19 prevention strategies to protect children and adults in early childhood programs. On January 4, the Office of Public Health published [updated guidance for child care facilities](#).

Some highlights include the following:

- The CDC has issued revised isolation and quarantine guidance. However, OPH is recommending that younger children still follow a 10 day isolation and quarantine period because correct and consistent masking is difficult to maintain in this population.
- It is recommended that field trips and special events be altered or halted when COVID-19 transmission is high.
- Educate yourself, staff, and parents on [Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children \(MIS-C\)](#).

Please be reminded that PPE, such as KN95 masks can be purchased using LaCAP or ARPA funds. These masks are better than cloth masks for this variant. In addition, child care providers may use this funding to support staff in accessing COVID-19 vaccines, including paid time off for vaccine appointments and to manage side effects, as well as transportation costs to vaccine appointments.

If you have any questions, please reach out to the Louisiana Department of Health, Office of Public Health at (225) 342-9500 or the Louisiana Department of Education, Division of Licensing at (225) 342-9905.

Dr. Cade Brumley
State Superintendent of Education

Upcoming Deadlines

- January 19: [Teacher Support Grant Application deadline](#)
- February 4: Teacher Leader Summit 2022 [Presenter applications](#) and [Education Expo applications](#)
- February 28: *TeachingStrategies*[®] *GOLD*[®] checkpoint due

Upcoming Events

- February 4: [Early Childhood Provider Update Webinar](#)
- February 17: Early Childhood Care and Education Commission meeting
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UPDATES FOR COVID-19

NEW: Upcoming Early Childhood Provider Update Webinar (February)

The Department hosts monthly webinars for early childhood providers. These webinars include important updates related to COVID-19 and other relevant information for all provider types. Providers can access the next provider webinar using the information below:

Webinar Date and Time: February 4 at 1 p.m.

Webinar Link: <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/93597745872>

Phone Number: 1-312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 935 9774 5872

Passcode: 641464

NEW: Operation Expanded Testing

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has established [Operation Expanded Testing](#) to provide fully funded COVID-19 PCR testing for K-12 schools, daycares, HBCUs, congregate settings, and underserved populations. Through an agreement with HHS and the Department of Defense (DOD), Eurofins Clinical Enterprise is able to offer no cost COVID-19 testing to states throughout the northeast and south regions as well as D.C., Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. To register your site or school please visit the [Operation Expanded Testing website](#).

NEW: The Impact of COVID-19 on Louisiana's Child Care Providers

The Louisiana Policy Institute for Children (LPIC) released a new report on the continued impacts of COVID-19 on Louisiana child care providers as of January 2021. The report details the findings of a fifth survey of child care providers, conducted September 29 - October 19, 2021. Read the [full report](#) or watch the virtual press conference [here](#).

REMINDER: TIKES Mental Health Consultation

Tulane offers TIKES Mental Health Consultation via telephone or secure video platform to Louisiana caregivers in need of support during the COVID-19 crisis. Type I, II, and III child care centers, family and in-home child care providers, parents, respite caregivers, and others caring for young children can request a consultation by completing a [request form](#).

For more information visit the [TIKES](#) webpage.

UPDATES FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

NEW: 2021-2022 GOLD® Update

In Louisiana's publicly-funded early childhood classrooms, *GOLD®* by *MyTeaching Strategies®* is used to measure each child's growth and development for multiple purposes. *MyTeaching Strategies®* offers a variety of resources to support classrooms preparing for and completing the *GOLD®* winter checkpoint.

[GOLD® Winter Checkpoint Support Webinar](#): This support webinar covers the features and functionalities teachers use to complete the *GOLD®* winter checkpoint in *MyTeachingStrategies®*.

- Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 12:30 p.m.

Archived webinars are available on-demand:

- [GOLD® Winter Checkpoint Support for Teachers](#)
- [GOLD® Winter Checkpoint Support for Administrators](#)

Please read the Department's updated [TS GOLD® Guidance](#) and [TS GOLD® FAQ](#) documents for helpful information. Questions or concerns can be directed to ECAssessment@la.gov.

NEW: Subscribe to Teachstone® Blog

Teachstone®, the trusted leader in CLASS®-driven measurement and mentoring, has a [blog](#) packed with timely content that suits every role in early childhood education.

- Administrators will find [tips for reducing turnover](#) and [better understand the challenges facing the broader workforce](#).
- Coaches can find [tactics to support teachers to help combat burnout](#).
- Data collectors and educators can [learn more about the ways in which their work impacts social emotional learning development in children](#).
- Educators will get [support to make their teaching practice more consistent and confident](#).

[Subscribe](#) to Teachstone's weekly digest to get the best strategies and the latest news from Teachstone® delivered straight to your inbox each Tuesday morning.

NEW: Save the Date - Teacher Leader Summit

The [2022 Teacher Leader Summit](#) will be held Tuesday, May 31 - Thursday, June 2 at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. The Department is celebrating both "Making a Comeback" and our 10th year for this event. [Early Bird registration](#) is now open until March 2. [Presenter applications](#) and [Education Expo applications](#) are now open until February 4.

Teachers and teacher leaders representing all content areas, librarians, counselors, early childhood directors, and school and network leaders are encouraged to [apply](#).

Contact LDOEvents@la.gov with any questions.

NEW: Save the Date - Early Childhood State Conference for Child Care Providers and Teachers

Save the date for the first Early Childhood State Conference which will be held on July 22 - 24, 2022 in

New Orleans. The audience for this conference will be child care owners, directors, teachers and families. More information coming soon.

NEW: Bulletin 140 Waiver

On December 15, BESE approved a one-time waiver to Bulletin 140 required CLASS® observations for all publicly-funded early childhood classrooms. Classrooms that scored Proficient or higher during their Fall 2021 observation after third party replacement will be exempt from receiving a second observation from the community network lead agency in spring 2022. Third party observations are unaffected by this policy change. For questions regarding CLASS® observation scheduling, please contact your [lead agency](#).

NEW: Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate Applications

The certification office only accepts online application submissions effective May 1, 2019. Paper applications and handwritten applications for the Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate (ECAC) will not be processed. Please use [Teach LA Live!](#) to submit any future applications or questions to the certification team. The [User Guide for Educators](#) is available on the main page of TeachLALive! for more instruction. To contact certification, please submit your request at <https://ldoe.force.com/s/ask-certification>.

REMINDER: 2020-2021 Performance Profiles Released

Sites may view their updated performance profiles for 2020-2021 at [Louisiana School and Center Finder](#).

Questions about school and center finder can be sent to earlychildhood@la.gov.

UPDATES FOR FUNDING AND ENROLLMENT

NEW: LA 4 and NSECD Payments

The Department is resuming an enrollment-based payment structure for LA 4 and NSECD for the period of January 1, 2022, through May 31, 2022. Attendance reports must be submitted by the 10th of each month. As the state continues to address the COVID-19 public health emergency, we will continue to evaluate the status of LA 4 and NSECD programs to ensure children in need are served. Due to funding constraints, school systems are not guaranteed payment for students enrolled in excess of their allocation.

Please contact kishia.grayson@la.gov with questions.

NEW: SRTC Forms for Teachers and Directors

Teachers and directors will receive tax form R-10615 “For Child Care Director and Staff Member” from Louisiana Pathways in January 2022. For 2021, tax credit amounts for teachers and directors visit Louisiana Pathways [here](#). Also, remind your families of their SRTC by using this [flyer](#).

For tax filing assistance, please dial 211 to make an appointment with VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) for your area.

Please contact demita.walker@la.gov for school readiness tax credit questions.

REMINDER: Coordinated Enrollment Planning

Community networks have begun planning for the 2022-2023 Coordinated Enrollment process. During network meetings, program partners update community network unified application and informational campaign materials, train on eligibility requirements, and plan enrollment for families. Lead agencies will submit via Jotform by **February 28, 2022**.

Please email amanda.colon@la.gov with questions.

NEW: CCAP Family Redetermination Extensions

To ensure families continue to receive CCAP services, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, redetermination cases have been extended for a three month period:

- January cases have been extended to April 30, 2022
- February cases have been extended to May 31, 2022
- March cases have been extended to June 30, 2022

For additional assistance, please contact the Provider Help Desk at (225) 250-7635 or (225) 252-9543 or via the [Provider Ticket System](#).

REMINDER: Teacher Support Grant Round 2

To support the recruitment and retention of a qualified child care workforce, the Louisiana Department of Education is funding a second grant opportunity for open, center-based Type III early learning centers to provide financial support to child care teachers and staff. This grant will provide funding for open Type III early learning centers to provide financial support to child care lead teachers, assistant teachers, and support staff that are not center directors (e.g., bus drivers, cooks, custodians, front desk staff, etc.), in the form of stipends, bonuses, or wage supplements. Payment will be \$5,200 per eligible classroom. Eligible classrooms are determined by the number of open classrooms in the EC (CLASS[®]) portal as of December 30, 2021. Apply by going to <https://form.jotform.com/213434757939064>.

If your center did not have classrooms open in the EC (CLASS) portal as of December 30, 2021, you are still encouraged to apply, please contact pheriche.perkins@la.gov if you have any difficulty submitting. Your lead agency will work with the Department to determine your number of classrooms that are eligible; however, this verification may delay your payment.

The application will open January 5, 2022, and the deadline for submitting the Teacher Support Grant is January 19 at 11 p.m. This grant opportunity is non-competitive, meaning that every eligible center that applies will receive funds. Providers should expect an audit after funds are spent. All providers should expect to provide the Department with documentation of the funds spent. This documentation could include records of stipends, bonuses, or wage supplements issued by staff members, check stubs of payments issued, documentation of how amounts were determined for staff, and bank records showing payments issues.

The Department anticipates that most payments will be issued in February 2022.

Please email pheriche.perkins@la.gov with questions.

REMINDER: America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Stabilization Grant - Round 2

The Department is planning the final round of ARPA Stabilization Grants. The formula may be tweaked based on previous distribution of funds and in an effort to promote underserved populations. The base

amount will not be any less than the first round. The Department plans on releasing the grant application in mid-March 2022 with payments being released on a rolling basis beginning April 2022. Please note that for all grants, providers must keep receipts and documentation of expenditures for the items paid from these funds. Also, providers must complete audit documentation upon request even if the provider has closed.

REMINDER: Information on Timeframe and Uses of ARPA grants

The Department issued this [letter](#) in response to questions about the timeframe of use of the ARPA grants. Included in the letter is the list of allowable uses with additional details. Also, please be reminded that ARPA grant funds may not be used for construction or major renovations including land purchases.

NEW: Federal and State Taxes on LaCAP grants, ARPA grants, etc.

Grants provided through the stimulus funds (CARES, CRRSA, and ARPA) are subject to the same tax rules as regular CCDF funding. State tax rules apply. Regarding federal rules, please contact the Internal Revenue Service for guidance. In some cases, funds used to cover operating expenses may be exempt from taxation.

NEW: Annual CCAP Provider Forums Update

Out of an abundance of caution, the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) Provider Forums for providers and families will be conducted virtually due to the recent surge in COVID-19 cases. Virtual forums are slated to be conducted early spring 2022.

REMINDER: CCAP Underutilized Authorizations for Families and Paying on Enrollment

CCAP conducts a monthly review of underutilized authorizations of children who have not attended child care within the previous month. The Tracking of Time Services (TOTS) Point of Service (POS) and Interactive Voice Response (IVR) attendance records are examined as part of the underutilization review. If a CCAP child has not attended at least one day in the month, the family is pulled for underutilization review.

The Provider Help Desk staff has been informing providers of the importance of families completing check in/out transactions when children are in attendance to maintain CCAP certification. If CCAP children are not attending, the Department will contact families to assess the need for continued child care services. If families are not reached during this period, their CCAP authorizations will be discontinued at the end of the month, and they will need to reapply for CCAP.

As a reminder, CCAP payments are based on enrollment not daily attendance. **Again, the Tracking of Time Services (TOTS) Point of Service (POS) or Interactive Voice Response (IVR) must be used for CCAP children every day they are in attendance.**

For assistance, please contact the Provider Help Desk at (225) 250-7635 or (225) 252-9543, or enter a [ticket](#) in the Provider Ticket System.

UPDATES FOR LICENSED CENTERS, FAMILY CHILD CARE, AND IN-HOME PROVIDERS

REMINDER: Annual Required Inspections by the Office of State Fire Marshal, Louisiana Department of Health, and City Fire of New Orleans.

Bulletin 137, Section 713, Renewal and Other Inspection Procedures, requires providers to obtain current approvals by the Louisiana Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM), Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), and City Fire of New Orleans, if applicable, before the expiration of an existing license and the issuance of a renewed license.

Each provider must timely request and receive their annual inspections from the OSFM, LDH, and City Fire of New Orleans, if applicable.

Licenses will not be renewed if you have not received a current inspection and approval from those agencies and submitted documentation of their approvals to the Division of Licensing.

To address licensed child care renewal inspections required, please contact the following agencies:

- Louisiana OSFM by telephone at (504) 568-8506 for New Orleans/Shreveport/Monroe regions and (225) 925-4911 for the Baton Rouge/Alexandria/Lafayette/Lake Charles regions or via [region contacts](#)
- LDH may be contacted by emailing Melissa Drescher (Melissa.Drescher@la.gov) or by telephone at (225) 342-8954
- New Orleans Fire Prevention Division by telephone at (504) 658-4700--please ensure you have paid the fee and completed the required OPEN SAFELY application on the Office of State Fire Marshal website at <http://www.lasfm.org>.

NEW: Critical Incidents and Required Notifications

The Department continues to note a significant number of deficiencies cited for failing to make critical incident notifications.

Providers must make immediate notification to parents, emergency personnel, law enforcement as applicable, and other appropriate agencies within 24 hours for the following types of critical incidents involving children in care:

1. death;
2. serious injury or illness that required medical attention;
3. a child left unsupervised for any amount of time;
4. use of prohibited behavior management as described in Section 1509.A.8.b.;
5. allegations or suspicion of child abuse or neglect by center staff;
6. an accident involving the transportation of children; or
7. any other significant event relating to the health, safety, or well-being of any child, including but not limited to a lost child, an emergency situation, fire or other structural damage, or closure of the center.

If you have any questions, please contact your licensing consultant at (225) 342-9905.

REMINDER: CPR/Pediatric First Aid (PFA) Vendors

The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) Division of Licensing is assisting licensed child care,

family home and in-home providers with obtaining Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Pediatric First Aid (PFA) certification for early childhood staff. The LDOE approved CPR/PFA vendor will be authorized to be paid a rate up to \$65 per licensed child care staff member or registered and certified in-home provider. If a CPR/PFA vendor has not been approved by the LDOE and added to the LDOE Division of Licensing's roster, the CPR/PFA vendor will be unable to receive payment. Please note: under no circumstance can a vendor, who is a director or owner of a center, be paid for training the staff employed at their center.

Instructions to become eligible as a LDOE CPR/PFA vendor:

- Verify you are a registered vendor with the State of Louisiana and have a LaGov vendor number. (<https://wwwcfprd.doe.louisiana.gov/OSP/LaPAC/vendor/srchven2.cfm>)
- If not registered as a vendor, register prior to entering the LaGov PO. (Link to instructions: <https://www.doe.la.gov/media/gewlb4nk/lagov-vendorregistration.pdf>).
- Submit an Initial Proposal (quote) to the Louisiana Department of Education, Division of Licensing to ldelicensing@la.gov.
- The quote should include at a minimum the vendor number, a description of the training, the names of participants, and total dollar amount for training.
- Once the official quote is approved, a detailed statement will be required for each payment. The detailed statement should include:
 - Vendor Number
 - Description of the training
 - Names of the participants (Center Name, Address, Director's Name, and Phone Number)
 - Invoice Number
 - Quantity for the training (number of individuals to whom this vendor will be providing services. Up to 300 center staff can be trained at a rate of up to \$65 per staff).
 - Total dollar amount
 - Accepted method of payment (P-card payment-credit card or check)
- Ensure you are able to provide a live demonstration and receive a live demonstration from the early childhood center staff.
- Certification documentation will need to be submitted.

If the trainer is having trouble obtaining a vendor number, please contact the Vendor Help Desk at (225) 342-8010.

If you have additional questions, please contact Licensing at (225) 342-9905 or ldelicensing@la.gov.

UPDATES FOR DIRECTORS

REMINDER: Director Levels for School Readiness Tax Credits (SRTC)

Director and staff member tax forms will be mailed by January 30, 2022.

For more information about School Readiness Tax Credits contact demita.walker@la.gov.

REMINDER: Child Care Management Software Initiative (CCMSi)

The Child Care Management Software (CCMS) Initiative has now launched! If Type III and CCAP-eligible family child care providers purchase a new subscription to an approved CCMS identified in the LDOE

[CCMS Guidebook](#), they are eligible for a reimbursement of up to 80% (for a maximum reimbursement of \$1,000). CCMS purchases are made directly from the provider to the vendor and reimbursements are processed through the local [CCR&R](#). This funding is only available for **NEW** CCMS annual subscriptions.

To support this launch and future initiatives, the Department asks that providers of all license types (I, II, III and FCC's) fill out this [short survey](#) regarding CCMS so we can better understand CCMS usage throughout the state.

For more information about the CCMSi, contact shallan.jones@la.gov.

REMINDER: Tax Consultation

Child care providers have experienced changing finances that directly impact their taxes. The LDOE has contracted with tax professionals to provide support services to licensed early learning providers. These early childhood-trained tax professionals will provide up to two hours of tax consultation to a limited number of early learning providers of all license types (I, II, III and FCC's).

Consultation can help you:

- Understand how loans and grants have impacted or can impact your taxes
- Use or understand payroll systems and bookkeeping software such as QuickBooks
- Proactively prepare for the upcoming tax season
- Handle or develop a plan to handle any tax concerns or questions you might have

Please plan to attend the February 3 [Early Childhood Provider Update Webinar](#) where the tax consultant, Andrea City, will speak more about this invaluable and completely confidential service. Interested providers can complete this [interest form](#) to schedule their consultation.

For more information contact Shallan.Jones@la.gov.

REMINDER: Early Learning Center Business Training

The Department is offering business trainings through First Children's Finance through March 2022 for all licensed child care types and CCAP-eligible family child care providers. Additionally, business consultation hours are available through June 2022.

These business training and consultation offerings are intended to help grow providers' businesses, stay on top of finances, increase earning potential, and so much more. The one-on-one consultation hours offer providers a unique and valuable opportunity to ask even more in-depth questions about their individual business.

Training and consultation participants surveyed by the Department have reported 100% overall satisfaction in the content knowledge received and have noted that "without a doubt this knowledge has helped" them to be "better leaders" of their programs and "better business operators."

Please plan to attend the February 3rd [Early Childhood Provider Update Webinar](#) where the EC Business training facilitator Kari Stattleman with First Children's Finance (FCF) will speak more about this invaluable and completely confidential service. [Registration](#) is now open for these Louisiana Pathways approved training opportunities.

For more information on these business trainings, contact shallan.jones@la.gov.

REMINDER: Monthly Office Hours for New Directors

Every month, the LDOE team will hold a webinar that focuses on a topic related to early childhood quality while also helping to expand directors' network of peers. Office hours are targeted towards new directors. Come learn about Type III requirements, connect with other directors, and stay up-to-date with upcoming events and deadlines. Next month's topic will be an overview of Type III requirements.

Webinar Date/Time: February 25 at 12 p.m.

Webinar Link: <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/99075363953>

Webinar Phone Number: 1-346-248-7799

Passcode: 126700

Meeting ID: 99075363953

Please contact tella.henderson@la.gov with any questions.

UPDATES FOR LEAD AGENCIES**REMINDER: Weekly Webinar for Lead Agencies**

The Early Childhood Team holds Office Hours every Tuesday at 3 p.m. for lead agency contacts. The purpose of the webinars is to provide updates and answer questions for lead agencies.

The upcoming schedule for Weekly Webinar for Lead Agencies can be found below:

- January 11 - General updates
- January 18 - February Child Count, extended to one hour (3-4 p.m.)
- January 25 - CLASS Portal Spring Updates
- February 1 - General updates
- February 8 - General updates

Please email amanda.colon@la.gov with questions.

NEW: 2022-2023 Super App

To prepare for the upcoming Super App submission on February 4, school systems should work with their early childhood community network lead agency to complete the early childhood components of Super App. Guidance for completing the 2022-2023 Super App can be found in the [Early Childhood Super App Guidance Document](#). Send all questions related to school system planning and Super App to LDOE.grantshelpdesk@la.gov and include "Super App" in the subject line.

NEW: Believe! Application

Early Childhood community network lead agencies have the opportunity to apply for stimulus funding to support the priorities outlined in the [Believe! 2022-2023 Early Childhood Planning Guide](#). All lead agencies received a planning template and a link to the JotForm submission, which is due on February 4.

Please contact lizzie.cosse@la.gov with questions.

NEW: Lead Agency Request for Applications

The LDOE released the [Lead Agency Request for Applications](#) for the next cycle, 2022-2024. All current lead agencies have received a Microsoft Word version of this application, which is due on February 4.

Please contact amanda.colon@la.gov with any questions.

NEW: Early Childhood Community of Practice to Support Young Children with Disabilities

On the first Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. an Early Childhood Community of Practice will meet to receive updates and collaborate with other early childhood special education leaders on providing support to young children with disabilities. The Developmental Screening Initiative Office Hours webinars that were previously held on the second Thursday of each month will be combined with this Community of Practice call.

Meeting Date/Time: February 2 at 1 p.m. .

Zoom Link: <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/96259935088>

Meeting ID: 962 5993 5088

Meeting Passcode: 865746

Contact charleen.long@la.gov with any questions.

OTHER

NEW: ECCE Advisory Council - Vacancy Announcement

The Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Louisiana Department of Education is seeking applications for membership on the [Early Childhood Care and Education \(ECCE\) Advisory Council](#). The ECCE Advisory Council is composed of representatives and stakeholders within the field of early childhood care and education, as described in the Early Learning Center Licensing Act (Act 868 of the 2014 Legislative Season).

The following role is currently vacant:

- Representative of approved nonpublic schools with publicly-funded early childhood care and education programs

Applications will be reviewed for demonstrated relevant experience and commitment to the field. **The deadline for submitting an application is January 31, 2022.** Applications must be submitted [online](#). If you have further questions, please contact leslie.doyle@la.gov.

NEW: ELDS Review Committee - Upcoming Meeting, January 25

The next meeting for the Early Learning and Development Standards Review Committee will take place on January 25 at 2 p.m. This meeting will be conducted [virtually through Zoom](#) in accordance with R.S. 42:17.1. Meeting materials can be found in the [Standards Review Library](#) under "Early Learning and Development Standards Review Process."

For additional information, please email leslie.doyle@la.gov.

NEW: ECCE Commission Meeting

The Early Childhood Care and Education Commission met on December 17. The meeting [agenda](#) and [presentation slides](#) can be found online. Overview documents and previous meeting materials are available [online](#). The next meeting for the Commission will be February 17 in the Claiborne Building, located at 1201 N Third Street in Baton Rouge.

For additional information, please email leslie.doyle@la.gov.

NEW: CLASS® Observers Needed

The Cecil J. Picard Center for Child Development & Lifelong Learning is looking for interested CLASS® observers in the Orleans and Jefferson regions. Please view and share their [posting for CLASS observers](#).

IN THE NEWS

[Louisiana does something right in schools, starting with pre-K education](#) (The Advocate)

[Virtual Observations at Scale: CLASS in Louisiana](#) (ULL Picard Center)

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- For questions regarding licensing or child health and safety, please contact LDFicensing@la.gov.
- For questions regarding lead agencies, please contact leadagencysupport@la.gov.
- For all questions regarding child care criminal background check processing, please contact LDEcccpcbprocessing@la.gov.
- For all other questions regarding early childhood, please contact earlychildhood@la.gov.

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