



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

2018 Detailed Timeline for Charter Applicants to BESE

If you plan to apply to BESE on March 2nd, use the timeline on this page to access forms and guidelines for all submissions and to ensure that you make all submissions in advance of the appropriate deadlines. If you plan to submit an appeals application to BESE, use the second timeline on the second page.

Date	Description
Friday, February 9	Applicants notify the Department if they intend to submit a Type 2 conversion application.
Friday, March 2	Charter applications are due. Applicants must submit five components: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- An application- An overview template (new operator version or experienced operator version)- A finances template- An eligibility form- Background checks
April	The Department provides applicants with a draft recommendation from the third-party evaluator.
Friday, May 4	Applicants submit two documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A revised overview (same template as in March 2nd submission)- An amendment and / or response to the evaluator's draft recommendation, directed to the evaluator. See here for Amendment / Response Guidelines. If nothing in the overview template has changed since March 2 nd , applicants may re-submit the original overview template.
Friday, May 18	Applicants receive updated draft recommendation from the third-party evaluator in addition to detailed feedback that applicants should use to prepare for their interview.
Week of May 28	Interviews will be held this week.
June - July	The Department provides appeals applicants with the official recommendation from the third-party evaluator. Applicants have one week to submit an optional response within one week of receiving their final recommendation.
Ongoing	BESE considers charter applications.

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Date	Description
Friday, January 12	Local school boards publish charter application information to their websites, including additional eligibility requirements and additions to the common application.
Friday, March 2	Charter applications are due to local school boards.
Friday, June 8	Deadline for local school boards to consider applications
Monday, June 9	Appeals applicants notify the Department if they intend to submit a Type 2 conversion application.
Friday, June 22	Deadline for local school board applicants to appeal to BESE. Five components are due: proposal overview (new operator or experienced operator), application, finances template , eligibility form , background checks
July	The Department provides appeals applicants with a draft recommendation from the third-party evaluator in addition to detailed feedback from the evaluator that applicants should use to prepare for their interview.
Monday, July 30	<p>Appeals applicants submit two documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A revised overview (same template as in June 9th submission) - An amendment and / or response to the evaluator’s draft recommendation, directed to the evaluator. See here for Amendment / Response Guidelines. <p>If nothing in the overview template has changed since June 22nd, applicants may re-submit the original overview template.</p>
Friday, August 17	Applicants receive updated draft recommendation from the third-party evaluator in addition to detailed feedback that applicants should use to prepare for their interview.
Week of August 27	Interviews will be held this week.
September	The Department provides appeals applicants with the official recommendation from the third-party evaluator. Applicants have one week to submit an optional response within one week of receiving their final recommendation.
Ongoing	BESE considers applications on appeal from local school boards.

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