Louisiana Believes
Graduation Pathways for Students with Disabilities
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Objectives

• Provide an overview of Jump Start considerations for high school students who meet Act 833 eligibility for an alternate pathway to a high school diploma.
GRADUATION PATHWAYS

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What is Jump Start?

Louisiana’s innovative career and technical education program!

Prepares students to:

• Lead productive adult lives
• Earn industry based certifications while in high school (required to graduate)
• Continue their education after high school

All Things Jump Start!
Act 833 Pathways Clarification

• Act 833 eligible students can pursue any Jump Start pathway.

• Any Jump Start pathway can be adjusted to become an Act 833 pathway, with the IEP team setting alternate exit points and performance criteria.

• Only Act 833 eligible students can pursue Act 833 pathways.
The IEP team of an Act 833 eligible student can:

• determine which Jump Start pathway is most appropriate for the student.

• make the final determination as to which culminating industry credential(s) the student must attain in order to graduate from high school.

• use the guidelines in any graduation pathway to identify those industry credentials that might be appropriate for the student.

Source: *Jump Start: Students with Disabilities Implementation Guidance*, page 2
Act 833 Eligible Students and Jump Start (continued)

- IEP teams should help each student attain the Jump Start culminating industry credential(s) appropriate for his/her abilities with the highest “employability value.”

- IEP teams can also consult with the Jump Start team to determine whether or not a “partial completion” of an industry credential would be appropriate for their students.

Source: Jump Start: Students with Disabilities Implementation Guidance, page 2
Jump Start Related Resources

All Things Jump Start: Student Opportunities

Students with Disabilities Resources
• A Pathway for Every Student Guidance [Download]
• Jump Start Industry Credentials for Students with Disabilities [Download]
• Jump Start Students with Disabilities Implementation Guidance [Download]
• Special Education - Guidance for High School Students [Download]

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