LOUISIANA TEACHER PREPARATION TRANSFORMATION 1.0 (1999-2012)

Elements	Descriptions
Teacher Preparation	• Low passage rates on teacher licensure examinations at some institutions (i.e., 33%, 38%, 65%);
Concerns/Needs in	• Low percentage of teachers teaching in their areas of certification (i.e., 87%);
1999-2000:	• Low percentage of teacher preparation programs fully accredited by national bodies (i.e., 58%);
	Inability to link growth of student learning to new teachers who completed programs; and
	Negative public opinion about teacher preparation programs.
Primary Purpose of	To create a cohesive PK-16+ system that holds universities and school districts accountable for the
Teacher Preparation	aggressive recruitment, preparation, support, and retention of quality teachers who produce higher
Transformation 1.0:	achieving K-12 students.
Primary Stakeholders	Office of Governor, Board of Regents, Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, Louisiana
Engaged in Teacher	Department of Education, public universities, private universities, private providers, K-12 partners, and
Preparation	Blue Ribbon Commission for Educational Excellence.
Transformation 1.0:	
Aspects of Teacher	Completers pass teacher licensure examinations;
Preparation Programs	Programs produce a greater number of new teachers who meet all state certification requirements;
that Mattered the Most	Programs produce more new teachers in teacher shortage areas;
in 1999-2000:	K-12 students taught by new teachers demonstrate growth in achievement; and
	 New teachers and schools have a positive perception about teacher preparation programs.
Initiatives That	Creation and implementation of more rigorous state policies for teacher licensure and teacher
Supported Teacher	preparation program approval;
Preparation	 Identification of inputs to create guidelines for the redesign of all teacher preparation programs;
Transformation 1.0:	 Creation of redesign teams that included college of education faculty, college of arts/sciences/
	humanities faculty, and K-12 school/district partners;
	Redesign of all undergraduate, alternate, and graduate teacher preparation programs by redesign
	teams using State guidelines;
	 Use of national experts to evaluate all redesigned programs based upon higher state expectations;
	Termination by Board of Regents and Board of Elementary and Secondary Education of all pre-
	design programs (i.e., Nursery, Kindergarten, Grades 1-8, Grades 7-12, Grades K-12, and Grades K-
	12 Special Education) by specific dates;
	Approval by Board of Regents and Board of Elementary and Secondary Education of all redesigned
	programs (i.e., Grades PK-3, Grades 1-5, Grades 4-8, Grades 6-12, Grades K-12, Integrated to
	Merged Special Education/Regular Education, and Early Intervention - Birth to 5) that met more
	rigorous state expectations;
	• Expectation that all public and private universities have national accreditation (NCATE/TEAC);
	Evaluation of all teacher preparation reading/language courses by national experts to ensure
	inclusion of state adopted Reading/Language Competencies;
	• Identification and implementation of screens/assessments for teacher preparation decision points for
	electronic portfolio systems for candidates;
	• Implementation of a Teacher Preparation Accountability System (currently being revised);
	• Development/piloting of a Value-added Teacher Preparation Assessment Model (Noell, 2003-2006);
	Implementation of a Value-added Teacher Preparation Assessment Model and public reporting of
	results for redesigned programs (Noell, 2006-2011);
	Implementation of Programmatic Interventions when redesigned programs demonstrated weak
	value-added results in specific content areas; and
	Adoption by higher education of a new value-added model developed by the Louisiana Department
	of Education for a statewide teacher evaluation system (i.e., Compass). (2011-Future)
Types of Evidence for	100% State passage rate of completers on teacher licensure examinations;
Outcomes in 2012-	Higher percentage of teachers teaching in their areas of certification (i.e., 94%);
2013:	• 100% of public and private universities nationally accredited by NCATE or TEAC;
	Higher percentage than anticipated of new teachers who completed teacher preparation programs in
	Louisiana who obtained value-added scores in the Effective-Proficient and Highly Effective ranges
	based upon growth of achievement of their students; and
	Positive public opinion of teacher preparation programs.
Web Site Links:	http://regents.louisiana.gov/academic-affairs/teacher-education-initiatives/