



## Summer Professional Development Menu Now Available

Professional development sessions on various topics, from differentiated instruction to LEAP prep to aggression replacement training will be offered over the summer to teachers, administrators, paraprofessionals, social workers, and central office staff. A full menu of PD opportunities is attached to this email. To register for summer PD sessions, visit Coursewhere at:  
<https://www.solutionwhere.com/ldoe/cw/main.asp>.

\*Please note that certain sessions are open only to the audience indicated. Sessions will only run if the minimum number of attendees is registered.

## Important Reminders for Data Managers

On Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, all data managers are to report to RSD Central Office, Room 5-A from 9am-3pm. High school data managers will be creating master schedules at this time. Data managers and accountants should also report to central office on Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> for further assignment.

The last day for data managers and accountants to report to work is June 30, 2010.

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## TRSL Summer Workshops Coming Soon

TRSL summer workshops are designed to give employees all the information they need to apply for retirement. TRSL retirement counselors will be available to discuss eligibility requirements and benefits calculations and take questions. Registration for TRSL summer workshops is open now. A registration form as well as a full schedule of all workshops is attached to this email.



## Special Offer for RSD Teachers Seeking Masters Degrees

The University of Texas at Arlington and Arkansas State University are pleased to offer Recovery School District teachers convenient, affordable, and high quality online master's degrees. Through July, 2010, UT Arlington will continue to offer the online master's degree program for **\$4,950**. Applications must be received by June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to be eligible for the current tuition level. Tuition rates will increase to **\$6,450** for classes beginning August 16th, 2010. Arkansas State University is offering their online Master in Education degree for **\$7,488**. ASU does not require a GRE.

The federal government has made funding resources available to teachers at Title I schools to fund cover all tuition costs.

To learn more about this opportunity at UTA, visit <http://www.stateu.com/uta/ac>, or call Andy Clark at 866-489-2810 ext. 4010.

To learn more about this opportunity at ASU, visit <http://www.astate.edu/academicpartnerships/ac>, or call Andy Clark at 866-489-2810 ext. 4010.

## Summer School Clarification

The rate of pay for teachers working in the extended year program will be **\$35 per hour**. Please contact Daphney Young at [daphney.young@rsdla.net](mailto:daphney.young@rsdla.net) with any questions.

## Human Resources Department

The directory below is intended to help you better communicate with the central office staff that is here to serve you. If you are in need of assistance from Human Resources, please find your issue on the list below and reach out to the corresponding staff member(s). Contact Molly Horstman at 504-373-6200 ext. 20119 or [molly.horstman@rsdla.net](mailto:molly.horstman@rsdla.net) with any further questions.

<b>Issue</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone Extension*</b>	<b>Email</b>
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	Jean Reese	x20128	<a href="mailto:jean.reese@rsdla.net">jean.reese@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Client Services</b>	Donna Dalton	x20038	<a href="mailto:donna.dalton@rsdla.net">donna.dalton@rsdla.net</a>
	Karen Durall	x20055	<a href="mailto:karen.durall@rsdla.net">karen.durall@rsdla.net</a>
	Paul House	x20180	<a href="mailto:paul.house@rsdla.net">paul.house@rsdla.net</a>
	Ashley Johnson	x20089	<a href="mailto:ashley.johnson@rsdla.net">ashley.johnson@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Complaints / Grievances / Investigations</b>	David Braud	x20120	<a href="mailto:david.braud@rsdla.net">david.braud@rsdla.net</a>
	Barbara Sharp	x20116	<a href="mailto:barbara.sharp@rsdla.net">barbara.sharp@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Drug Tests / Background Checks</b>	Barbara Sharp	x20116	<a href="mailto:barbara.sharp@rsdla.net">barbara.sharp@rsdla.net</a>
<b>HR-Related Federal Grant Programs</b>	Amber Morgan	x20053	<a href="mailto:amber.morgan@rsdla.net">amber.morgan@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Hiring</b>	Michael Galdi	x20076	<a href="mailto:michael.galdi@rsdla.net">michael.galdi@rsdla.net</a>
	Cay Kimbrell	x22140	<a href="mailto:cay.kimbrell@rsdla.net">cay.kimbrell@rsdla.net</a>
	Gabrielle Misfeldt	x20033	<a href="mailto:gabrielle.misfeldt@rsdla.net">gabrielle.misfeldt@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Hiring Paperwork</b>	Shirley Guy	x20156	<a href="mailto:shirley.guy@rsdla.net">shirley.guy@rsdla.net</a>
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<b>Payroll / Time &amp; Attendance</b>	Karen Durall	x20055	<a href="mailto:karen.durall@rsdla.net">karen.durall@rsdla.net</a>
	Ashley Johnson	x20089	<a href="mailto:ashley.johnson@rsdla.net">ashley.johnson@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Performance Appraisal</b>	Amber Morgan	x20053	<a href="mailto:amber.morgan@rsdla.net">amber.morgan@rsdla.net</a>
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	Zivah Bauman	x20144	<a href="mailto:zivah.bauman@rsdla.net">zivah.bauman@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Special Leaves / Workers’ Comp.</b>	Sherry Pagano	x20104	<a href="mailto:sherry.pagano@rsdla.net">sherry.pagano@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Stipend Payments</b>	Karen Durall	x20055	<a href="mailto:karen.durall@rsdla.net">karen.durall@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Student-Teacher Program</b>	Daphney Young	x20005	<a href="mailto:daphney.young@rsdla.net">daphney.young@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Unemployment</b>	Barbara Sharp	x20116	<a href="mailto:barbara.sharp@rsdla.net">barbara.sharp@rsdla.net</a>
<b>Urgent / Unresolved Issues</b>	Debra Adams	x20020	<a href="mailto:debra.adams@rsdla.net">debra.adams@rsdla.net</a>

### RSD H.R. Leadership

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\*All employees can be reached by calling the RSD at **504-373-6200** and dialing the appropriate extension.

# Professional Development Calendar: Summer 2010

Date	Title of Session	Time	Audience	Location	Contact
5/24/10-5/28/10	Technology Summer Summit	8am-3pm	RSD Teachers and Paraprofessionals	Cohen HS 3520 Dryades	Kamala Baker
5/26/10	Extended Year Professional Development	9am-11am	Extended Year Site Coordinators	RSD Poland Ave.	Monya Criddle
5/27/10	Extended Year Professional Development	9am-2:30pm	Extended Year Teachers	Reed High	Monya Criddle
6/2/10-6/3/10	Becoming a Certified TAP Evaluator (BCTE)	All day	TAP Leadership Teams	LDOE 1201 N. 3 <sup>rd</sup> St. Baton Rouge	Janet Carroll 225-342-3376
6/21/10-6/23/10	TAP Summer Institute (TSI)	All day	TAP Leadership Teams	LDOE 1201 N. 3 <sup>rd</sup> St. Baton Rouge	Janet Carroll 225-342-3376
6/21/10-6/25/10	TAP Core Training	8:30am-4pm	TAP Leadership Teams	Intercontinental Hotel New Orleans	Janet Carroll 225-342-3376
6/28/10-7/1/10	Tulane Advanced Placement Summer Institute	All day	AP Teachers	Tulane Campus	Brian Knighten <a href="mailto:apsi@tulane.edu">apsi@tulane.edu</a>
7/12/10-7/15/10	Tulane Pre-Advanced Placement Summer Institute	All day	Pre-AP Teachers	Tulane Campus	Brian Knighten <a href="mailto:apsi@tulane.edu">apsi@tulane.edu</a>
7/12/10-7/16/10	Principal Professional Development	TBD	Principals	TBD	Tammy Robicheaux
7/19/10-7/23/10	Master Teacher and Trainer of Trainer Professional Development	TBD	Master Teachers	TBD	Tammy Robicheaux
7/20/10-7/21/10	Principal Professional Development	TBD	Principals	TBD	Tammy Robicheaux
7/26/10-7/30/10	Targeted Audience Professional Development	TBD	TBD	TBD	Tammy Robicheaux
8/2/10-8/6/10	School-Based and Redelivery Professional Development	TBD	TBD	School sites	Tammy Robicheaux
8/9/10-8/11/10	School-Based Professional Development	TBD	TBD	School sites	Tammy Robicheaux

## Special Invitation for RSD Teachers and Principals to Participate in Focus Groups

The New Teacher Project (TNTP) is working in partnership with the RSD to study a number of issues that impact teaching and learning in the district. One of the ways TNTP is collecting data is through a series of initial focus groups with teachers and principals. The focus groups will help them to complete an extensive analysis of how the RSD recruits, selects, supports, rewards, and retains its teachers and inform recommendations for targeted changes to policies and practices.

**Focus groups for TEACHERS will be held at Loyola University at the following dates/times:**

- **Tuesday, May 25, 10:00am-12:00pm**
- **Wednesday, May 26, 10:00am-12:00pm**
- **Wednesday, May 26, 3:30-5:30pm**

**A focus group for PRINCIPALS will be held at Loyola University on Tuesday, May 25, 3:30-5:30pm.**

Refreshments will be provided, and each participant will receive a \$40 honorarium for the two-hour time period. Space is limited, so we cannot guarantee that all respondents will participate. All individual comments will be kept confidential.

**To participate, please RSVP via e-mail to [cschoenberg@tntp.org](mailto:cschoenberg@tntp.org) by Friday, May 21, indicating all dates and times that you are available.**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### UPCOMING PAYROLL DATES

FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2010

FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2010

### SUMMER SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2010 (REED HIGH SCHOOL)

FRIDAY, MAY 28, 2010 (SCHOOL SITES)

### SUMMER SCHOOL SESSION (WITH STUDENTS)

TUESDAY, JUNE 1-WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 2010

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- FINAL PIP PAYMENTS WILL GO OUT FRIDAY, MAY 21. CONTACT KAREN DURALL WITH ANY QUESTIONS AT [KAREN.DURALL@RSDLA.NET](mailto:KAREN.DURALL@RSDLA.NET).
- IF YOU NEED TO RENEW YOUR CERTIFICATION, PLEASE CONTACT JEAN REESE AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE YOUR CERTIFICATE EXPIRES, AT [JEAN.REESE@RSDLA.NET](mailto:JEAN.REESE@RSDLA.NET) OR EXT. 20128. REMEMBER, ALL TEACHERS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A VALID, STANDARD TEACHING CERTIFICATE TO TEACH IN THE RSD.

### Frequently Asked Questions:

#### **How do I know which positions are available at schools next year?**

The Human Resources staff works to update a list of school-based vacancies every Friday. The vacancy list can be accessed on the RSD website by clicking on the "Employment" link on our homepage or at the following link:  
[http://www.rsdla.net/Libraries/Employment\\_Opportunities/School\\_Vacancy\\_List.sflb.ashx](http://www.rsdla.net/Libraries/Employment_Opportunities/School_Vacancy_List.sflb.ashx).

**BEST WISHES FOR A RESTFUL SUMMER!**



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\* IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS REGARDING THE HR NEWSLETTER, PLEASE CONTACT MOLLY HORSTMAN, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT FOR HR, AT [MOLLY.HORSTMAN@RSDLA.NET](mailto:MOLLY.HORSTMAN@RSDLA.NET).