Chairman’s recommendations for the ACSBD to consider regarding Legislative Directions.

**Recommendation Number 1:** To guide the ACSBD recommendations for changes to laws, regulations and policies, it is recommended for the ACSBD to adopt the following principles:

* 1. Laws related to behavior of students shall include language clarifying the expectation for schools to provide a positive, multi-tiered continuum of evidence-based and data-driven behavioral interventions that support the behavioral competence, social development and emotional learning of all students.
  2. Remove explicit zero tolerance mandates that tie the hands of teachers administrators and school boards; excepting weapons, drugs, serious bodily injury and sexual violence.
  3. Ensure all disciplinary statutes apply to all public schools receiving MFP funding.
  4. Clarify the role of the Louisiana Department of Education in providing leadership and support for schools with regards to student behavior, discipline and school climate.

**Recommendation Number 2:**  To ensure clear communication with the Legislature regarding recommended areas of the law to consider revising, it is recommended for the ACSBD to identify specific sections of law recommended for change related to:

* 1. The principles above;
  2. Inconsistencies with current behavioral practices;
  3. Unnecessary language
  4. Contradictions with other statutes
  5. Issues best left up to BESE for promulgating guidance

**Recommendation Number 3:** To enable adequate stakeholder input and deliberation as legislative instruments work through the legislative process it is recommended for the ACSBD to recommend the Legislature consider multiple instruments to accomplish the entirety of the ACSBD recommendations.