



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

April 30, 2020

Mrs. Sandy Holloway, President
Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education
1201 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

President Holloway:

Pursuant to the authority granted to the BESE President in LAC 28: I.305.B. to make ad hoc decisions for the board in times of emergency, and subject to ratification by the board, I am requesting a waiver extension of BESE rules to support early childhood centers, and support the health and safety of our youngest learners through the recent COVID-19 public health emergency. The waiver is set to expire on April 30, 2020 and we would like to extend the waiver described below through May 31, 2020.

Rules impacting early learning centers

- The following waiver terminates on April 30, 2020. In order to support centers through the continuation of COVID-19 and post-COVID-19, an extension through May 31, 2020 is requested.
 - Bulletin 137, Licensing Regulations, §1815.B. and C. Department fees for the Child Care Criminal Background Check.

If approved, waivers of BESE rules will be subject to the ratification of the state board at its next regularly scheduled meeting and will be immediately communicated to impacted persons and entities as they attempt to respond to this unprecedented public health emergency. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:

Beth Scioneaux

Acting State Superintendent of Education

Approved:

Sandy Holloway, President
Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

Date: 4/30/20