



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

July 21, 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 of BESE rules to support Louisiana local education agencies (LEA) impacted by the recent COVID-19 public health emergency. Static groups, defined as a group whose composition of students and adults does not change, address the needs of educators, students, and children.

Rules Impacting School Requirements:

- Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*:
 - §3703 Definitions – waiver of the provision regarding ‘adults’ in the definition of ‘static group.’
- Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for Nonpublic School Administrators*:
 - §3303 Definitions – waiver of the provision regarding ‘adults’ in the definition of ‘static group.’
- Bulletin 126, *Charter Schools*
 - §103 Definitions – waiver of the provision regarding ‘adults’ in the definition of ‘static group.’

If approved, these 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 devastating event. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Dr. Cade Brumley
State Superintendent of Education

Approved:

Sandy Holloway, President Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE)

Date: July 21, 2020

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