

The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) met January 23 and 24. A summary of board actions that directly impact the activities of local education agencies are listed below. Any bulletin revisions, with the exception of emergency rules, must run in the Louisiana Register as a Notice of Intent for 90 days and complete the rulemaking process before becoming rule and appearing in the bulletins on the BESE website. For more information or questions on any of these policy changes, please contact [Ryan Gremillion](#).

Revisions to Bulletin 1566, *Pupil Progression Policies and Procedures*, relative to summer remediation

The Board approved revisions to Bulletin 1566, *Pupil Progression Policies and Procedures*, to continue to offer summer remediation to students who have been identified as academically struggling, but enable local education agencies (LEAs) to identify such students based not only on the results of state assessments, but also on a preponderance of evidence of student learning available at the end of the school year.

The approved revisions also remove the requirement that a first-time eighth grade student that does not meet the eighth grade promotion standard complete summer remediation before being placed on a high school campus in transitional ninth grade

[Click here](#) to view the approved revisions to Bulletin 1566, *Pupil Progression Policies and Procedures*.

Approval of Allocations

The Board approved several allocations of funding to local districts at last week's meeting including School Redesign funding to support the implementation of school improvement initiatives; funding to support school systems as they create and implement initiatives to improve the reading and writing skills of struggling students; funding to increase access to preschool programs; and funding to support professional development opportunities for mathematics and science teachers.

[Click here](#) to view the list of allocations approved at last week's meeting.