



BESE is meeting to adopt emergency rules (per the CDC) for the minimum emergency standards for school re-openings this Fall.

Make sure your voice is heard:

Contact Superintendent Dr. Cade Brumley and your BESE members by Monday July 13th to provide your feedback!

Email info@fhfacadiana.org once you've taken action.



Action Alert #8: BESE needs to hear from you about rules for reopening schools during the COVID-19 pandemic

July 9, 2020

BESE will meet next Tuesday, July 14th, at 1:30 p.m. to establish minimum standards for schools to follow in reopening during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Act 9 \(HB59\) of the 2020 First Extraordinary Session](#) requires the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to adopt emergency rules informed by the [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\) and Prevention guidelines](#) to provide minimum standards, policies, medical exceptions, and regulations to govern the reopening of schools for the 2020-2021 school year. These rules must ensure students, faculty, staff, and others on school property are protected to the extent possible and practical from COVID-19.

Some children and adults, including some people with developmental disabilities, are at increased risk of illness due to COVID-19. [Click here to read research on the impact of COVID-19 on people with developmental disabilities.](#)

It is not clear what medical exceptions will be considered by BESE. The only example in the CDC guidance to reduce risk for students at higher risk of severe illness is offering virtual learning opportunities. Will virtual learning opportunities work for your child or situation?

[Click here](#) to see papers by the Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates regarding considerations for students with disabilities during the COVID-19 pandemic

How to Take Action

1. Email Superintendent Dr. Cade Brumley at Cade.Brumley@la.gov by Monday, July 13th!
2. Email or call your district BESE member and members at-large by Monday, July 13th!
 - Don't know who your BESE member is? [Click here](#) to view the BESE district map.

Share your personal story and express your thoughts on rules for reopening schools during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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