

PURPOSE/FUNCTION

“There is hereby established the Advisory Council on Student Behavior and Discipline to provide advice and guidance to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the state Department of Education regarding best practices in providing support to public school governing authorities in the adoption and implementation of each school’s master plan for student behavior and discipline as provided in R.S. 17:252.” La. R.S. § 17:253(A) (2016)

VISION

The ACSBD vision is to ensure all students in Louisiana attend schools that focus on interventions and supports to address student misconduct in order to minimize the amount of time students are deprived of academic instructional time; while allowing teachers the ability to age appropriately hold students accountable for their behaviors at any school or school-sponsored activities.

GOALS:

- Revise student discipline code to remove explicit zero tolerance mandates that tie the hands of teachers, administrators and school boards; excepting weapons, drugs, serious bodily injury and crimes of violence
- Clarify the relationship between the committee and the Louisiana Department of Education which provides leadership and support for schools with regards to student behavior, discipline and school climate
- Create a model master plan template to be distributed to every school district, collected yearly at the end of every school year, evaluated for effectiveness and make recommendations and guidance to school districts as needed

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GOAL 1: Revise student discipline code to remove explicit zero tolerance mandates that tie the hands of teachers, administrators and school boards; excepting weapons, drugs, serious bodily injury and crimes of violence

OBJECTIVE 1: Revise Student Discipline Code RS 17:416 as per recommendations submitted in 2018

Strategies	Actions/Activities	Responsible Office	Responsible Individual	Deadline	Resources Needed	Status	Comments
1.1.1		Group 1					
1.1.2							
1.1.3							

OBJECTIVE 1.2: Update legislation to make clear model master plans are submitted yearly

Strategies	Actions/Activities	Responsible Office	Responsible Individual	Deadline	Resources Needed	Status	Comments
1.2.1		Group 1					
1.2.2							
1.2.3							

OBJECTIVE 1.3: Restructure of 17:416 to group like items together with the goal of improving organization and readability.

Strategies	Actions/Activities	Responsible Office	Responsible Individual	Deadline	Resources Needed	Status	Comments
1.3.1		Group 1					
1.3.2							
1.3.3							

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GOAL 2: Clarify the relationship between the committee and the Louisiana Department of Education which provides leadership and support for schools with regards to student behavior, discipline and school climate

OBJECTIVE 1: Develop protocols and timelines for the committee for submitting guidance and recommendations to the Louisiana Department of Education

Strategies	Actions/Activities	Responsible Office	Responsible Individual	Deadline	Resources Needed	Status	Comments
1.1.1		Group 2					
1.1.2							
1.1.3							

OBJECTIVE 1.2: Ensure The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education ... shall formulate, develop, and recommend...a model master plan for improving behavior and discipline within schools.

Strategies	Actions/Activities	Responsible Office	Responsible Individual	Deadline	Resources Needed	Status	Comments
1.2.1		Group 2					
1.2.2							
1.2.3							

OBJECTIVE 1.3: Monitor legislation and policies regarding school disciplinary issues and identify ways to highlight and incorporate data-informed and evidence-based best practices in partnership with the Louisiana Department of Education.

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GOAL 3: Create a model master plan template to be distributed to every school district, collected yearly at the end of every school year, evaluated for effectiveness and make recommendations and guidance to school districts as needed

OBJECTIVE 1: Ensure Each city, parish, and other local public school board shall cause to be developed and shall submit by annually, a master plan for each school under the board's jurisdiction for improving behavior and discipline in each such school based on the model master plan developed and approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Strategies	Actions/Activities	Responsible Office	Responsible Individual	Deadline	Resources Needed	Status	Comments
1.1.1		Group 3					
1.1.2							
1.1.3							

OBJECTIVE 1.2: Ensure City, parish, and other local public school boards shall provide ongoing classroom management courses and regularly review discipline data from each school to determine what additional classroom management training is needed, if any, and what additional classroom support activities should be provided by the principal and school administration.

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1.2.1		Group 3					
1.2.2							
1.2.3							

OBJECTIVE 1.3: Support alignment throughout the state based on model master plan and ongoing identification and dissemination of best practices and resources to reduce over-reliance on punitive discipline.

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1.3.1							
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