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**School Operations and Reopening Office Hours  
September 17, 2020**

# ATTENTION: Instructions for participants

During this meeting, participants may submit questions **via the online chat feature** throughout the presentation. Submitting questions via the chat allows LDOE the opportunity to not only answer your question while on the call but to also add your question and the answer to our publicly disseminated FAQ document(s).

# Office of Career and College Readiness Office Hours

The Office of Career and College Readiness will continue weekly office hours with a focus on Strong Start School Reopening through the month of September.

*\*please note the updated Zoom log in for next week's office hours*

- **Webinar Date and Time:** Thursdays at 3 p.m.
- **Webinar Link:** <https://ldoe.zoom.us/j/94130675139>
- **Webinar Phone Number:** 301-715-8592
- **Meeting ID#:** 941 3067 5139
- **Meeting Passcode:** 573243

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### **Updated Resources:**

1. Updated Phase 3 Information for School Systems - Band and Vocal Music
2. Athletics - LHSAA Guidance
3. Playground Equipment Cleaning
4. CHNOLA Town Hall Updates and Resources

# Phase 3 Updates: Band and Vocal Music

LDOE was able to collaborate with the Office of Public Health yesterday and further identify additional flexibilities for band and vocal music that have been incorporated in our [FAQ document](#) and [School Reopening Guidance](#)

Our top focus is the health and safety of students and employees as we support systems in their efforts to reopen and operate schools. We will continually monitor the pandemic and address any necessary regulatory flexibilities to support school system instructional needs.

# Phase 3 Updates: Band and Vocal Music

## Phase 3: Band, Vocal and Music

- Louisiana Department of Health recommends that band and vocal music activities be held outdoors *to the greatest extent possible*.
- When band and vocal music classes are unable to practice outdoors during phase 3, class may be held indoors in accordance with [National Federation of State High School Associations and the National Association for Music Education Guidance](#) which has physical distancing, masking, and instrument covering provisions.
- String and percussion instruments without singing and with social distancing between band members and audience is permitted indoors throughout all phases.

# Phase 3: Athletics

The Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) continues to adapt and move forward with fall sports for the 2020-2021 school year. The updated LHSAA regulations and guidelines are being disseminated this afternoon to:

- LHSAA Member School Principals
- Athletic Directors
- Parish Athletic Directors
- Superintendents
- LHSAA Officials
- Cross Country, Football, Swimming and Volleyball Head Coaches

For additional information go to: <https://www.lhsaa.org/>

# Playground Equipment Cleaning Update

Playground equipment should be cleaned daily on a regular schedule:

- Create a cleaning checklist of all commonly touched surfaces that children are allowed to come into contact with on the playground; use that checklist to hit every surface when cleaning after use
- Clean this equipment similar to the way you would wipe down frequently touched surfaces in classrooms.
- Use the school's normal surface cleaning supplies to wipe down playground equipment at least daily, and during the day to the maximal extent possible.(if there is not enough surface cleaner available, using a bleach / water solution as proportionally advised by CDC guidelines in a large spray bottle could suffice)
- After wiping surfaces, let dry at least 30 seconds. With the heat, wiped surfaces should be dry within 1-2 minute
- Students and staff should wash their hands before and after outside playground use



# Supports from Key Partners: CHNOLA

**The Children's Hospital New Orleans Hotline for School Wellness and Virtual Care (504-837-7760)** offers guidance to school nurses and school administrators.

**The Children's Hospital New Orleans Town Hall Series for Schools** will continue through September, every other Tuesday with **a new time of 3 pm**. The Zoom link and information will be shared in our weekly newsletter.

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Date	Time	Zoom Link
<b>September 22, 2020</b>	<b>3:30- 4:30 pm</b>	Please click the link to join the webinar: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/95094135523?pwd=U0p4Zmp4R3d2TndkQjdUai9EcDE4dz09">https://zoom.us/j/95094135523?pwd=U0p4Zmp4R3d2TndkQjdUai9EcDE4dz09</a> Passcode: 9222020 Dial-In: +19292056099 Meeting ID : 95094135523# Passcode: 9222020#
<b>September 29, 2020</b>	<b>3-4 pm</b>	Please click the link to join the webinar: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/99348692454?pwd=eko5eUpEa1dnMGZJMWxWSFhJWnpFUT09">https://zoom.us/j/99348692454?pwd=eko5eUpEa1dnMGZJMWxWSFhJWnpFUT09</a> Passcode: 9292020 Dial-In: +13017158592 Meeting ID: 99348692454# Passcode: 9292020#

## Moderated Q&A Session

Additional questions following the Q&A can be sent to:

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