In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 17:6(A)(10) et seq., the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has amended LAC 28:IX. Bulletin 118—Statewide Assessment Standards and Practices, LAC 28:CXV. Bulletin 741—Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators, and LAC 28:LXXIX. Bulletin 741—Louisiana Handbook for Nonpublic School Administrators. The revisions relate to the availability the flexibility of graduation requirements for high school seniors enrolled during the spring 2022 semester and scheduled to graduate by August 31, 2022. This Declaration of Emergency, effective June 15, 2022, is for a period of 180 days from adoption, or until finally adopted as Rule.

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Chapter 68. LEAP 2025 Assessments for High School

§6821. High School Test Cohorts

[Formerly LAC 28:CXL.1821]

A. - B. …

1. For high school seniors enrolled during spring 2021 and graduating by August 31, 2021, and for high school seniors enrolled during spring 2022 and graduating by August 31, 2022, the following may be substituted for the LEAP 2025 high school assessment requirement, provided the student has initially participated in all LEAP 2025 high school assessments.

   a. - d.ii. …

   AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 17:24.4.

   HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, LR 36:977 (May 2010), amended LR 38:36 (January 2012), LR 44:470 (March 2018), LR 47:859 (July 2021), LR 48:

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Chapter 21. Curriculum and Instruction

§2111. State Diploma

A. - B.2. …

3. For high school seniors enrolled during spring 2022 and graduating by August 31, 2022, the following may be substituted for the LEAP 2025 high school assessment requirement, provided the student has initially participated in all required assessments:

   a. an ACT composite score of 17 or higher for all students; or

   b. an ACT subject score of 17 or higher in the corresponding LEAP 2025 high school assessment pair, as follows:

      i. a score of 17 or higher on the ACT English or Reading tests shall satisfy the English I/English II LEAP 2025 high school assessment requirement;

      ii. a score of 17 or higher on the ACT Mathematics test shall satisfy the Algebra I/Geometry LEAP 2025 high school assessment requirement; and

      iii. a score of 17 or higher on the ACT Science test shall satisfy the Biology/U.S. History LEAP 2025 high school assessment requirement; or

   c. the student participates in 20 or more extended learning hours per LEAP 2025 high school assessment subject pair for which the student has yet to achieve level 2 (approaching basic) or above, with such instruction provided by a qualified teacher.

   i. the instruction must take place following the academic year, and the student must demonstrate proficiency corresponding to level 2 (approaching basic) or above, as determined by either the school or school system.

   ii. a qualified teacher is defined as a teacher holding a valid and current Louisiana teaching certificate or has received a final COMPASS evaluation of effective: emerging or higher.

   d. for purposes of this Section, a qualified teacher is defined as a teacher holding a valid and current Louisiana teaching certificate or has received a final COMPASS evaluation of effective: emerging or higher.

C. - E. …

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 17:6(A)(10), (11), and (15), R.S. 17:7(6), R.S. 17:10, R.S. 17:22(6), R.S. 17:391.1-391.10, and R.S. 44:411.


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Chapter 23. Curriculum and Instruction

§2318. The TOPS University Diploma

A. - B.3. …

a. For high school seniors enrolled during spring 2021 and graduating by August 31, 2021, and for high school seniors enrolled during spring 2022 and graduating by August 31, 2022, the following may be substituted for the LEAP 2025 high school assessment requirement, provided the student has initially participated in all required assessments:

   B.3.i. - D.3 …


§2319. The Career Diploma
A. - B.3. …
  a. For high school seniors graduating during the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 academic years, the following may be substituted for the LEAP 2025 high school assessment requirement, provided the student has initially participated in all required assessments:
   B.3.a.i. - C.4. …

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