

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

Foreign Language
(LAC 28: CXV.2345 and 2352; LXXIX.2317 and 2323)

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 17:6(A)(10) and the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), R.S. 49:953(B)(1) et seq., the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education proposes to amend LAC 28: CXV. *Bulletin 741—Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators* and LAC 28: LXXIX. *Bulletin 741(Nonpublic)—Louisiana Handbook for Nonpublic School Administrators*. The revisions establish the effective date for courses for foreign language credit to align with TOPS eligibility requirements. The revisions clarify that AP Computer Science A, Computer Science, and Computer Coding as a Foreign Language may be used as a foreign language credit beginning with students graduating during or after the 2026-2027 school year. This Declaration of Emergency, effective April 20, 2023, is for a period of 180 days from adoption, or until finally adopted as Rule.

**Title 28
EDUCATION**

**Part CXV. Bulletin 741—Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators
Chapter 23. Curriculum and Instruction
Subchapter B. Academic Programs of Study
§2345. Foreign Languages**

A. The foreign language course offerings shall be as follows.

| Course Title(s) | Units |
|---|--------|
| *** | |
| Cambridge AICE—AS (Honors): Japanese | 1 |
| AP Computer Science A (effective for students graduating during or after 2026-2027) | 1 |
| Computer Science (effective for students graduating during or after 2026-2027) | 1 |
| Computer Coding as a Foreign Language I, II (effective for students graduating during or after 2026-2027) | 1 each |
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B. – B.6....

C. AP Computer Science A may be used as either an elective or math credit for students graduating prior to the 2026-2027 school year.

1. For students graduating during or after the 2026-2027 school year:

a. AP Computer Science A may be used as either a foreign language, elective, or math credit.

b. Computer Science and Computer Coding as a Foreign Language courses may be used as either a foreign language or elective credit.

D. – D.3. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 17:7, R.S. 17:24.4, R.S. 273, and R.S. 17:284.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, LR 31:1295 (June 2005), amended LR 36:1996 (September 2010), LR 38:759 (March 2012), LR 38:2364 (September 2012), LR 39:2220 (August 2013), LR 40:998 (May 2014), LR 40:2527 (December 2014), LR 43:2133 (November 2017), LR 43:2484 (December 2017), LR 45:1455, (October 2019), LR 49:

§2353. Mathematics

A. The mathematics course offerings for the college diploma shall be as follows.

1. AP Computer Science A may be used as either a math or elective credit for students graduating prior to the 2026-2027 school year.

2. For students graduating during or after the 2026-2027 school year, AP Computer Science A may be used as either a foreign language, math, or elective credit.

B. - C. ...

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**Part LXXIX. Bulletin 741 (Nonpublic)—Louisiana Handbook for Nonpublic School Administrators
Chapter 23. High School Program of Studies
§2317. Foreign Languages**

A. The foreign language course offerings shall be as follows.

| Course Title | Unit(s) |
|---|---------|
| *** | |
| Cambridge AICE—AS (Honors): Japanese | 1 |
| AP Computer Science A (effective for students graduating during or after 2026-2027) | 1 |
| Computer Science (effective for students graduating during or after 2026-2027) | 1 |
| Computer Coding as a Foreign Language I, II (effective for students graduating during or after 2026-2027) | 1 each |
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B. AP Computer Science A may be used as either a math or elective credit for students graduating prior to the 2026-2027 school year.

1. For students graduating during or after the 2026-2027 school year and beyond:

a. AP Computer Science A may be used as either a math, elective, or foreign language credit.

b. Computer Science and Computer Coding as a Foreign Language courses may be used as an elective or foreign language credit.

C. - C.1. ...

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. 17:411.

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§2323. Mathematics

A. - B. ...

C. AP Computer Science A may be used as either a math or elective credit for students graduating prior to the 2026-2027 school year.

D. For students graduating during or after the 2026-2027 school year, AP Computer Science A may be used as either a math, elective, or foreign language credit.

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