

C. Any instruction relative to alcohol, tobacco, drug, and substance abuse prevention and education provided pursuant to this Section will include the information that mixing opioids and alcohol can cause accidental death.

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§1303. Abuse

A. Any school employee, including a school resource officer, having reasonable cause to believe that a student has been mentally, physically, or sexually abused shall report these facts to the appropriate authorities.

B. Any person making a report in good faith regarding child abuse shall have immunity from civil liability that may be otherwise incurred. Refer to R.S. 14:403.

C. An employer shall not discriminate or retaliate against an employee who is a mandatory reporter for complying with reporting requirements.

D. An employer shall not enact policies that prohibit or limit mandatory reporting to the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services and/or state or local law enforcement.

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§1305. Weapons

A. Carrying a firearm or dangerous weapon, as defined in R.S. 14:2(3), by a student or non-student on school property, at a school function, or in a firearm-free zone is unlawful and shall be defined as possession of any firearm or dangerous weapon, on one's person, at any time while on a school campus, on school transportation, or at any school-sponsored function in a specific designated area including, but not limited to, athletic competitions, dances, parties, or any extracurricular activities, or within one thousand feet of any school campus. Refer to R.S.14:95.2.

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§1307. Search and Seizure

A. It is recommended that each school shall adopt a policy to provide for reasonable search and seizure by school teachers, by principals, and by other school administrators, of students' desks, lockers, or other school areas for illegal

drugs, weapons, alcohol, stolen goods, or other material or objects.

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§1309. Suicide Prevention

A. The governing authority of each nonpublic secondary school that issues student identification cards shall have printed on the cards and shall have posted on the school website the following information:

1. the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline hotline number, "988"; and

2. a local suicide prevention hotline number, if available.

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§1311. Bullying

A. Policy. Each nonpublic school shall develop, adopt, and implement a policy that prohibits the bullying of a student by another student and contains all required components in accordance with R.S. 17:416.14.

1. The bullying policy shall be implemented in a manner that is ongoing throughout the year and integrated with a school's curriculum, a school's discipline policies, and other violence prevention efforts.

2. The policy shall contain the definition of bullying found in this Section and shall address the following:

a. process for reporting and appeals;

b. procedures for investigating reports of bullying;

c. the disciplinary and criminal consequences of bullying another student;

d. appropriate remedies for a student found to have been bullied;

e. a prohibition against false reporting and retaliation; and

f. procedures for investigating and reporting of each school administrator, teacher, counselor, bus operator, and school employee for failure to act.

3. Each nonpublic school shall ensure that each student, each student's parent or legal guardian, and each school administrator, teacher, counselor, bus operator, school employee, and volunteer receives a copy of the bullying policy and is aware of all duties and responsibilities related to preventing and stopping bullying.