

## **PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

When a declared public health emergency exists, the Jefferson Davis Parish School Board shall grant the Superintendent broad authority to develop, implement, and maintain administrative regulations and procedures necessary to protect employees and students from the conditions giving rise to the declared emergency.

In the development and implementation of necessary administrative regulations and procedures for safely reopening of schools or maintaining the safety of employees and students when schools are open during a health emergency, the Superintendent and staff shall rely upon the practices, guidelines, and suggestions of the Louisiana Department of Education in coordination with the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals.

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