

## CONTINUOUS LEARNING

In an effort to provide required instruction to students in times of extended school closures, the St. Mary Parish School Board shall implement the *Continuous Learning Plan*, which allows modified operations for continuous learning on a short-, medium-, or long-term basis. The *Continuous Learning Plan* shall be posted on the School Board's website. It shall be updated annually by June 30<sup>th</sup>, and reviewed by stakeholders.

*Short-term modified operations:* A significant portion of the students/staff are not able to be on campus for 1-2 days for face-to face, direct instruction. Continuous learning expectations may be limited or smaller in scope depending on resource availability (e.g. community is without electricity for two (2) days).

*Medium-term modified operations:* A significant portion of the students/staff are not able to be on campus for 3-10 days for face-to face, direct instruction.

*Long-Term Modified Operations:* A significant portion of the students/staff are not able to be on campus for more than ten (10) days for face-to face, direct instruction. Operations should have more consistency and expectations of routines and instruction.

The plan shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Technology and connectivity;
2. Student and staff responsibilities;
3. Attendance;
4. Family strategic communication, engagement, and support; and,
5. Instructional quality.

*Remote instruction* is an educational model in which the student and educator are not physically present in a traditional classroom environment where instruction may be facilitated by the use of computers, technology, and the internet. *Hybrid instruction* is instruction provided via a combination of face-to-face and remote models.

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Ref: La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§17:81, 17:232; *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*, Bulletin 741, Louisiana Department of Education; Board minutes, 8-10-23.