

Action Alert #4 - BESE Needs to Hear Your Voice

December 19, 2016

The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) is holding another public hearing on the proposed changes to Bulletin 1922 regarding how the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) monitors school systems for special education services. Due to concerns that the process for receiving public input was not followed appropriately, BESE was required to reissue the proposed changes.

Monitoring of local school systems is the only way LDOE can assure students with disabilities are receiving an appropriate education. The main problem parents had with the proposed changes was the reduction of parental involvement in the monitoring process.

BESE members need to hear from you before they re-consider one of the most relevant issues to students with disabilities - how their school systems are held accountable for providing special education services.

Click <u>here</u> to read the Louisiana Developmental Disabilities Council's letter to BESE requesting this public hearing.

How to Take Action

If this issue is important to you:

Attend the BESE Public Hearing:

When: Thursday, December 29, 2016 at 3:00PM

Where: Claiborne Building

Louisiana Purchase Room 1-100

1201 N. Third Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Don't forget to wear your yellow shirt!

Contact your <u>LaCAN Leader</u> if you plan to attend.

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