

## LAW GOVERNING

# PLANNING TIME

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### **Louisiana Revised Statute 17:434. Planning time and lunch periods for teachers; required**

A. (1) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall adopt necessary rules and regulations requiring, beginning with the 2000-2001 school year, each city and parish school board to provide a minimum of forty-five minutes daily planning time, or its weekly equivalent, and a minimum of thirty minutes for lunch each day which shall be duty-free for every teacher actively engaged in the instruction and supervision of students in the public schools. Implementation of planning time and lunch periods as required in this Section for teachers shall not result in a lengthened school day.

(2) The provisions of this Subsection shall be subject to the availability of state funds for this purpose.

B. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to affect the provisions of R.S. 17:154.1 relative to required instructional time in the school day.

C. This Section shall not apply to a city or parish school board operating under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement applicable to teachers employed by the board. *Added by Acts 1988, No. 832, § 1. Amended by Acts 1999, No. 1143, § 1.*