



State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services

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Ashley Townsend
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Office of Policy and Governmental Affairs
Louisiana Department of Education
1201 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

RE: Mandated Reporter Training – Vector and SafeSchools

Dear Ms. Townsend,

The Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) confirms that mandated reporter training completed through Vector Solutions or SafeSchools is recognized by DCFS as allowable equivalent training pursuant to Louisiana Children's Code Article 609(A)(3)(c).

Article 609(A)(3) requires that mandatory reporters be offered training addressing the statutory requirements and responsibilities associated with reporting child abuse and neglect and identifying the signs and symptoms of child neglect and abuse, including sexual abuse and human trafficking. The law further provides that entities, including educational institutions, may provide their employees, volunteers, or educational attendees with equivalent training.

Accordingly, individuals who have completed the applicable Louisiana mandated reporter training through Vector Solutions or SafeSchools may be reported as having satisfied the mandated reporter training requirement.

DCFS appreciates the Louisiana Department of Education's continued partnership in ensuring that educators and other mandatory reporters have the training and resources necessary to recognize and report suspected child abuse and neglect.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Harris
Secretary