

New law merges the Baton Rouge, Folkes, Jumonville Memorial, and Westside campuses of the Louisiana Technical College with Baton Rouge Community College and transfers all funds, obligations, property, programs, facilities, and functions relative to these technical college campuses to Baton Rouge Community College, effective July 1, 2013, or at the appropriate time thereafter as determined by formal action taken by the Bd. of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges (LCTCS board). Further provides that each such campus shall be considered a part of, and under the management of, the La. Technical College until the merger of each campus is effected.

New law provides that all GRAD Act performance agreements currently in effect between the Baton Rouge, Folkes, Jumonville Memorial, and Westside campuses and Baton Rouge Community College and the Bd. of Regents shall remain in effect until such time as the performance agreement between Baton Rouge Community College and the Bd. of Regents is modified to reflect the expanded mission of that institution and such modified performance agreement is certified by the LCTCS board.

New law provides that Baton Rouge Community College shall provide educational and skills and technical programs and services through the locations and facilities that served as the Baton Rouge, Folkes, Jumonville Memorial, and Westside campuses of the La. Technical College and through any other postsecondary campus or institution which may become a part of Baton Rouge Community College or its primary service delivery area.

New law provides that any student enrolled in a program or course of study at the Baton Rouge, Folkes, Jumonville Memorial, and Westside campuses of the La. Technical College shall be permitted to complete such program or course of study at no greater cost or conditions, including the manner in which applicable aid and scholarships are administered, than those applicable to the student prior to the merger of such campuses with Baton Rouge Community College, provided the student completes his program or course of study within two years of such merger.

New law provides that the LCTCS board shall review the programs and employees of the Baton Rouge, Folkes, Jumonville Memorial, and Westside campuses of the La. Technical College and Baton Rouge Community College and provide for an employee transition at all affected institutions and campuses consistent with effective and efficient delivery of educational services and the expanded mission of Baton Rouge Community College.

Effective upon signature of the governor (June 7, 2013).

(Adds R.S. 17:1994(E) and 3217.5)