

March 13, 2020

From: Dr. Eric Mackey, State Superintendent

To: Local Superintendents

Superintendents,

Based on guidance issued by the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) on March 12, 2020, I am revising my guidance to you to include the following components:

As soon as possible, and no later than March 20, 2020,

- 1) To cancel or limit any event where it would be expected to have 500 or more people gathered. This would include performances, plays, athletics, conferences, etc. Please note that amended activities may still be appropriate if you can limit attendance.
- 2) To postpone or cancel any and all field trips, whether inside or outside of Alabama.

**Please consider this guidance as applicable through April 30, 2020. We will re-assess at that time based on guidance from ADPH.**

*In addition, we are correcting the LEA guide that went out yesterday. It should have said that we will close any school for 24-48 hours upon a confirmed case of COVID-19 in that school community, not the entire district. It will be correct on the link today.*