

buildings, there shall be boys' and girls' toilet rooms on each floor, having the number of plumbing fixtures as specified in Part XIV of this Code for the classroom population of that floor.

B. The state health officer may require additional or alternate facilities as necessary to serve persons with special needs.

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**§303. School Lunchrooms and Concession Stands
[formerly paragraph 17:022]**

A. All school lunch rooms and school concession stands shall comply with the general sanitary requirements for public eating places as specified in Part XXIII of this Code.

B. [Formerly paragraph 17:023] Single-service utensils, made of paper or approved plastic, shall be used in school lunchrooms whenever equipment is deemed inadequate by the state health officer to provide proper sanitization for multiple-use utensils.

C. [Formerly paragraph 17:024] In all schools and in other special types of institutions with classrooms, hand-washing facilities (for student and staff use before eating)

shall be readily accessible in a common area and shall not be further than 50 feet from the lunch room, dining area or cafeteria. Said facility shall be provided with hot and cold running water delivered via a mixing faucet(s) or a mixing valve at a water temperature not to exceed 120°F [utilizing an approved temperature control device(s) as required under LAC 51:XIV.623], soap, and disposable paper towels or mechanical hand-drying devices.

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**§305. Space and Lighting Requirements for
Classrooms
[formerly paragraph 17:025]**

A. In all schools, and in other special types of institutions with classrooms, a minimum of 20 square feet of floor space shall be provided in every classroom for each student.

B. [Formerly paragraph 17:026] In all schools, and in other special types of institutions with classrooms, artificial lighting shall be provided in all classrooms and other rooms with the minimum level of illumination as listed in Table 305.B below.

Table 305.B—School/Classroom Lighting						
Room Type Classification	Direct Lighting Footcandle Levels ⁽¹⁾			Indirect Footcandle Levels ⁽²⁾		
	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Minimum
Administrative Areas						
Offices/Receptionist	75	50	25	60	40	20
Storage Rooms	38	25	13	38	25	13
Restrooms	38	25	13	38	25	13
Conference/Resource Rooms	75	50	25	60	40	20
Healthcare Area	75	50	25	60	40	20
Teacher Prep/Work Area	75	50	25	60	40	20
Classrooms						
General Classrooms	75	50	25	60	40	20
Visual Arts Rooms	75	50	25	60	40	20
Modular Technology Labs	75	50	25	60	40	20
Computer Aided/Drafting Labs	45	30	15	45	30	15
Industrial Arts Rooms	90	60	30	90	60	30
Computer Labs	60	40	20	60	40	20
Graphics Labs	75	50	25	60	40	20
Life Skills Labs	75	50	25	75	50	25
Science Rooms/Labs	75	50	25	75	50	25
Laundry Rooms	38	25	13	38	25	13
Music Rooms	75	50	25	60	40	20
Large Group Instruction Rooms	75	50	25	60	40	20
Media Center						
Active Areas	75	50	25	60	40	20
Inactive Areas	60	40	20	60	40	20
Student Dining/Auditoriums						
Assembly	30	20	10	N/A		
Stage/Work Lights	30	20	10	N/A		
Makeup/Dressing Rooms	75	50	25	75	50	25
Theatrical Control Room	45	30	15	45	30	15
Kitchen	60	40	20	N/A		
Dining Areas	60	40	20	60	40	20
Athletic Areas						
Gymnasium-Elementary School	75	50	25	N/A		
Gymnasium-Middle School	75	50	25	N/A		
Gymnasium-High School	90	60	30	N/A		

Table 305.B—School/Classroom Lighting						
Room Type Classification	Direct Lighting Footcandle Levels ⁽¹⁾			Indirect Footcandle Levels ⁽²⁾		
	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Minimum
Multi-use Physical Education Rooms	75	50	25	N/A		
Locker Rooms	38	25	13	38	25	13
Circulation						
Hallways	30	20	10	30	20	10
Stairwells	30	20	10	30	20	10
Maintenance Areas						
Custodial Closets	45	30	15	45	30	15
Mechanical Rooms	45	30	15	45	30	15

Footnotes to Table 305.B

(1) Direct lighting refers to light that is being directed in a downward direction towards the surface being illuminated.

(2) Indirect lighting refers to light that is directed at least partially in an upward direction or is reflected in some manner towards the surface being illuminated.

1. General Notes on Lighting System Design and Enforcement of Table 305.B

a. For design in new and significantly renovated schools, the designer shall utilize the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA) Lighting Handbook; however, the standards contained in Table 305B of this Part shall control if there is a conflict.

b. Enforcement of the lighting standards is based upon the average illumination level in each room or area.

c. For instructional spaces utilizing digital “smart boards” or outfitted for audio-visual presentations, the designer should consider the installation of lighting controls readily accessible to the instructor having capability to reduce the illumination on the screen to seven footcandles or less, while maintaining an average of 20 footcandles within the remaining functional areas of the room or area.

d. For instructional spaces utilizing dry-erase whiteboards, the designer should consider the installation of separately controlled, dedicated luminaries mounted parallel

to the whiteboard, providing 30 footcandles average on the vertical plane of the whiteboard.

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§307. Outdoor Play Areas

A. For elementary schools and other schools with children under 12 years of age, all pieces of playground equipment with play surfaces four feet or higher from the ground shall have an appropriate energy absorptive surface such as wood chips at a depth of 8-10 inches or rubber mats, manufactured for such use meeting A.S.T.M. Standard F355-10a, under the fall zone of the equipment. A swing with the seat four feet above the ground when at a 90 degree arc shall meet this requirement.

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Chapter 5. Health Requirements for Schools

§501. Employee Health and Student Health [formerly paragraph 17:028]

A. [Formerly paragraph 17:028] The requirements of Part I, §117 and Part II, §§113 and 503 shall be met.

B.1. [Formerly paragraph 17:029] All students in the health care professions shall be free of tuberculosis in a communicable state as evidenced by either:

a. a negative purified protein derivative test, five tuberculin unit strength, given by the Mantoux method;

b. a normal chest X-ray if the skin test is positive;

or

c. a statement from a Louisiana licensed physician that the person is noninfectious to others if the chest X-ray is other than normal.

2. If the student has a positive purified protein derivative skin test for tuberculosis, five tuberculin unit strength, given by the Mantoux method, or a chest X-ray other than normal, the student shall complete a course of chemotherapy for tuberculosis as prescribed by a Louisiana licensed physician, or present a signed statement from a Louisiana licensed physician stating that chemotherapy for tuberculosis is not indicated. In any case, the student shall not be denied access to an institutional learning experience or work solely on the basis of being infected with tuberculosis, provided the infection is not communicable.

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