

**Assurances for the** ***Mississippi Kindergarten Guidelines***

Superintendents,

Please complete the following information that addresses compliance and acknowledgement of the *Mississippi Kindergarten Guidelines*. This manual has been prepared for use by administrators, counselors, teachers, and other authorized staff in the kindergarten programs of Mississippi and is to be used as a guide in facilitating accredited state or other funded kindergarten programs.

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| School District Name |  |
| School District Number |  |
| Superintendent Name |  |
| Superintendent Email  |  |
| District Kindergarten Administrator Name |  |
| District Kindergarten Administrator Email |  |
| Number of kindergarten classrooms |  |

Please initial on each line of the following items that you, the superintendent, understand and acknowledge the policies surrounding each component of the Guidelines and intend to implement and follow procedure*.*

\_\_\_\_ Researched- and evidence-based curriculum (Guidelines page 13)

\_\_\_\_ Voluntary Enrollment (Guidelines pages 11-12)

\_\_\_\_ Staff requirements (Guidelines pages 21-22)

\_\_\_\_ Plan to achieve 8 hours of professional development specific to early childhood education

 (Guidelines page 22)

\_\_\_\_ Maximum classroom size (Guidelines page 19)

\_\_\_\_ Teacher-child-ratios (Guidelines page 19)

\_\_\_\_ Screenings/Assessments/Documentation (Guidelines pages 16-18)

\_\_\_\_Utilization of thematic units and learning centers (Guidelines pages 13-16)

\_\_\_\_Educational materials (Guidelines page 16)

\_\_\_\_Organization/schedule for daily activities (Guidelines pages 19-20)

\_\_\_\_Family engagement (Guidelines page 23)

\_\_\_\_Transportation (Guidelines page 24)

\_\_\_\_Physical settings (Guidelines pages 25-32)

\_\_\_\_Outside play (Guidelines page 33)

By signing this statement, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (superintendent name) hereby certifies and assures that the school district attesting to these assurances shall comply with the above components of the *Mississippi Kindergarten Guidelines* in accordance with Mississippi Public School Accountability Standard 17.1 compliance requirements, and MDE policy and requirements pertaining to this program. The applicant certifies further that the information submitted on this document is true and correct.