

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**October 19, 2017**

**OFFICE OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT**

3A. Competitive School Improvement Grants (SIG) [Goal 6 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Purpose: The School Improvement Grant (SIG) program under Section 1003(g) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) provides additional resources to low performing schools and districts through a competitive application process. Eligible schools are identified based on federal regulations and approved application criteria. Through a competitive process, schools and districts must demonstrate that they have the greatest need and strongest commitment to substantially raising student achievement.

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: November 1, 2017 – July 31, 2021
- Award Amount: \$2,914,128
- Method of Award: Competitive Application

Funding Source: Federal School Improvement Grants 1003(g)

Summary of Selection Process:

A competitive grant selection process was utilized to award the grants.

Scoring Criteria:

- A. LEA Plan Overview
- B. Teaching & Learning – Turnaround, Transformation, Early Learning, and Pathway to Success
- C. Operations and Support Systems
- D. Budget

This item references Goal 6 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2016-2020 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached