OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items August 17, 2017

OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

01. <u>Information: Spring 2017 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment results</u> [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Background Information: The State Board of Education approved the Mississippi K-3 Assessment Support System (MKAS2) on January 17, 2014. One of the components of the system is a statewide Kindergarten Readiness Assessment as required in MS Code 37-21-11. The approved Kindergarten Readiness Assessment is designed to measure the readiness skills of students entering kindergarten and pre-kindergarten students exiting state and federally funded programs. This report includes a 3-year comparison for students enrolled in three programs:

- Early Learning Collaboratives
- Other Funded Public Pre-kindergarten (Title I, self-contained special education, and other school district pre-kindergarten programs)
- Public Kindergarten

This assessment identifies each student's individual needs while enabling teachers to make informed instructional decisions. The assessment data collected will be used to expand professional development for teachers, improve the quality of classroom instruction and determine interventions and services that students need to be successful.

Information only

Back-up material to be provided Board meeting