

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
February 17, 2022

OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

06.E. Action: Award competitive grants for Early Childhood Educators-in-Residence services [Goal 3 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Background and Purpose: The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE), Office of Early Childhood is seeking to employ two additional full-time, 12 – month Educators-in-Residence (EIR). School districts, Community Colleges, and Institutions for Higher Learning are eligible as grant recipients. The Program’s goals and objectives are: a) to work with the Office of Early Childhood staff to prioritize, schedule, organize, and provide technical assistance to teachers and administrators, and b) to develop presentations, provide on-site supports and trainings, and develop innovative resources to improve instruction and increase student outcomes.

Renewal of the grant for years two (2) through five (5) shall be contingent upon the successful completion of services from the preceding fiscal year’s grant and the availability of funds.

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: February 18, 2022 – June 30, 2026
(With a liquidation period ending July 12, 2026)
- Award Amount: \$ 702,608.99
- Method of Award: Request for Applications

Funding Source: General funds

Summary of Selection Process:

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

Scoring Criteria:

- A. Qualifications
- B. Desired Qualifications
- C. Education
- D. Interview

This item references Goal 3 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

Early Childhood Educator-in-Residence Program Awards

District/Partnership	Award Amount
Jackson State University	\$373,332.18
Lafayette County School District	\$329,276.81
TOTAL	\$702,608.99

Grant Award Breakdown by Category and Year

Annual Cost FY 22	Salary	Fringe	Indirect	Total
Jackson State University	\$22,245.33	\$8,230.77	\$1,523.81	\$31,999.90
Lafayette County School District	\$22,245.33	\$4,634.41	\$1,343.99	\$28,223.73

Annual Cost FY 23 – FY 26	Salary	Fringe	Indirect	Total
Jackson State University	\$59,320.87	\$21,948.72	\$4,063.48	\$85,333.07
Lafayette County School District	\$59,320.87	\$12,358.43	\$3,583.97	\$75,263.27