

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER**  
**Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**June 13, 2019**

**OFFICE OF SAFE AND ORDERLY SCHOOLS**

- O. Approval of methodology to award Mississippi Community Oriented Policing (MCOPs) grant dollars to local and county law enforcement agencies or local education agencies with School Resource Officers (SRO) certified in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 37-7-321 [Goals 1, 2, 4, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Purpose: The MCOPS grant provides assistance to all local educational agencies and law enforcement agencies to improve the safety and security of public schools by providing additional School Resource Officers to engage in community policing in and around primary and secondary schools in accordance with Section of Miss. Code Ann. § 37-7-321.

Eligibility: All local and county law enforcement agencies or local education agencies with School Resource Officers (SRO) certified in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 37-7-321.

Funding Source: State Funds

This item references Goals 1, 2, 4, and 6 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Basis for Awarding the Grants: Competitive

Funding will be awarded based on the following methodology:

Each grantee meeting the minimum cut score will receive a minimum of \$10,000 per year per SRO.

Grant Award Criteria: Approved Request for Proposal and Continuation Application.

Base Allocation:

Each successful grantee will receive a minimum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) and the grantee is required to provide a minimum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) in matching funds from local or county funding sources.

Recommendation: Approval for five (5) years

Back-up material attached

**\*\*\* Excerpt from 2019 MCOPS RFP \*\*\***

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**1. METHODOLOGY**

**Summary of Selection Process:**

A competitive grant selection process will be utilized to award grants to applicants.

**Selection of Grant Recipients:**

Successful grant applicants will be required to meet a minimum “cut score” on a one hundred (100) point scale. Grant applications that score above the minimum cut score will be ranked based on their total score. Subject to the availability of funds, grant funding for one (1) SRO position will be awarded beginning with the highest ranked grant application and continue through to the lowest ranked grant application that meets the minimum cut score. Subject to the availability of funds, the process will continue with the highest ranked application requesting funding for more than one (1) SRO position and continue through to the lowest ranked application that meets the minimum cut score. The awarding of grant funds in this manner will continue until all available funds have been awarded.

**Scoring Criteria:**

Grant applications will be evaluated and scored on the following:

- A. A detailed description of the grant applicant’s needs for one (1) or more SROs.
- B. A detailed description of the grant applicant’s proposed plan of action and functions for one (1) or more SROs.
- C. A detailed description of past or current incidents or threats that demonstrate a need for one (1) or more SROs.

Each grant applicant will receive a detailed grant application packet that provides the points awarded per criteria listed above. Applicants that have never deployed an SRO will receive three

(3) of the available one hundred (100) points.

**Base Award:**

Each successful grantee will receive a minimum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) and the grantee is required to provide a minimum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) in matching funds from local or county funding sources.