

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**February 20, 2025**

**OFFICE OF STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION**

04. Action: Approval to suspend the personnel edit review process for the 2024-2025 school year and hold schools and districts harmless during the assignment of statuses in Fall 2025 for noncompliance based on Mississippi Student Information System (MSIS) 2.0 data for the following process standards:

A. *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2024:*

- 2, 2.2, and 2.3 (Certified Staff)
- 24, 24.1, and 24.2 (Instructional Planning Time)
- 25 (Individual Course Preps for Teachers Grades 9-12)
- 26 (High School Curriculum)
- 28, 28.1, 28.2, 28.3, 28.4, and 28.5 (Student-Teacher Ratios)

B. *Mississippi Nonpublic School Accountability Standards, 2024:*

- 2, 2.2, and 2.3 (Certified Staff)
- 20, 20.1, and 20.2 (Instructional Planning Time)
- 21 (Individual Course Preps for Teachers Grades 9-12)
- 22 (High School Curriculum)
- 24, 24.1, 24.2, 24.3, 24.4, and 24.5 (Student-Teacher Ratios)

[Goal 5 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Background information: On January 14, 2025, MDE notified MSIS Coordinators that the agency was reviewing certain errors/warnings in the MSIS personnel data and provided interim guidance to address potential violations of specific process standards of the *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2024*. The MDE further reviewed the data and compared the personnel data results from MSIS 2.0 to that of the legacy MSIS. In addition, MDE reviewed state statutes, State Board Policies, accreditation standards, MSIS Course Code Search Portal, and the Approved Work Area Codes for Elementary and Secondary Schools of Mississippi. Based on these reviews, the MDE is requesting the State Board of Education (SBE) to suspend the personnel edit check process for the 2024-2025 school year for specific process standards of the *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2024* and the *Mississippi Nonpublic School Accountability Standards, 2024* and hold districts harmless during the assignment of statuses in Fall 2025 for noncompliance based on MSIS 2.0 data.

Schools and Districts will still be expected to comply and will still be subject to onsite audits or may be asked to provide other documentation to verify

compliance during the 2024-2025 school year. The MDE will resume the personnel edit check process in the 2025-2026 school year. Therefore, districts should familiarize themselves with the requirements pertaining to certification endorsement as outlined in the MSIS Course Code Search Portal, and the Approved Work Area Codes for Elementary and Secondary Schools of Mississippi to ensure staff are properly licensed and certified.

MDE will continue to review the data to make any needed proposed changes to State Board Policies, accreditation standards, MSIS Course Code Search Portal, and the Approved Work Area Codes for Elementary and Secondary Schools of Mississippi.

The Commission on School Accreditation met on February 11, 2025, and voted unanimously to approve this request.

This item references Goal 5 of the *Mississippi Board of Education Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None