

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Item**  
**Consent Agenda**  
**July 17, 2025**

**OFFICE OF TEACHING AND LEADING**

- K. Approval of the *Mississippi Critical Teacher Shortage Act of 1998*: Designation of 2025-2026 Critical Shortage Subject Areas and Critical Shortage Geographical Areas (Mississippi School Districts)

Background Information: The State Board of Education designates critical shortage subject areas and critical shortage geographical areas (Mississippi School Districts) annually for the purpose of enabling participants to receive loan forgiveness or complete required service obligations in designated shortage areas.

Particularly, at minimum, the designations enable participants to qualify for deferment of loan repayments under the Federal Stafford Program, qualify for loan cancellation under the Federal Perkins Loan, meet obligations under the Paul C. Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program, and fulfill their teaching obligation under the TEACH Grant Program.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached



### **2025/2026 Mississippi Critical Shortage Subjects**

<b>Special Education</b>	<b>Mathematics</b>
<b>Foreign Language (French, German, Spanish)</b>	<b>Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)</b>

### **2025/2026 Mississippi Geographical Critical Shortages Areas**

1	Natchez-Adams School District	55	Leflore Legacy Academy
2	Amite County School District	56	Columbus Municipal School District
3	Attala County School District	57	Canton Public School District
4	Kosciusko School District	58	Marshall County School District
5	Benton County School District	59	Holly Springs School District
6	West Bolivar Consolidated School District	60	Aberdeen School District
7	North Bolivar Consolidated School District	61	Philadelphia Public School District
8	Calhoun County School District	62	Newton Municipal School District
9	Carroll County School District	63	Union Public School District
10	Chickasaw County School District	64	Noxubee County School District
11	Okolona Separate School District	65	Starkville-Oktibbeha Consolidated School District
12	Choctaw County School District	66	North Panola School District
13	Claiborne County School District	67	South Panola School District
14	Quitman School District	68	Picayune School District
15	Coahoma County School District	69	North Pike School District
16	Clarksdale Municipal School District	70	South Pike School District
17	Clarksdale Collegiate	71	Mccomb School District
18	Copiah County School District	72	Pontotoc City School District
19	Hazlehurst City School District	73	Baldwyn Public School District
20	Covington County School District	74	Booneville School District
21	Desoto County School District	75	Quitman County School District
22	Forrest County School District	76	Forest Municipal School District
23	Forrest County Agriculture High School	77	South Delta School District
24	Hattiesburg Public School District	78	Simpson County School District
25	Greene County School District	79	Smith County School District
26	Grenada School District	80	Sunflower County Consolidated School District
27	Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District	81	East Tallahatchie School District
28	Harrison County School District	82	West Tallahatchie School District
29	Pass Christian Public School District	83	Tate County School District
30	Hinds County School District	84	Senatobia Municipal School District
31	Joel E. Smilow Collegiate	85	North Tippah School District
32	Reimagine Prep	86	South Tippah School District
33	Jackson Public School District	87	Tishomingo County School District
34	Clinton Public School District	88	Tunica County School District
35	Midtown Public Charter School	89	New Albany School District
36	Joel E. Smilow Prep	90	Vicksburg Warren School District
37	Ambition Preparatory Charter School	91	Hollandale School District
38	Revive Collegiate	92	Leland School District
39	Holmes County Consolidated School District	93	Western Line School District
40	Humphreys County School District	94	Greenville Public School District
41	Jackson County School District	95	Wayne County School District
42	Moss Point School District	96	Webster County School District
43	East Jasper Consolidated School District	97	Wilkinson County School District
44	Jefferson County School District	98	Louisville Municipal School District
45	Jefferson Davis County School District	99	Coffeetown School District
46	Laurel School District	100	Water Valley School District
47	Kemper County School District	101	Yazoo County School District
48	Lafayette County School District	102	Yazoo City Municipal School District
49	Lauderdale County School District		
50	Meridian Public School District		
51	Lawrence County School District		
52	Leake County School District		
53	Lee County School District		
54	Greenwood-Leflore Consolidated School District		