

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Item
Consent Agenda
October 16, 2025

DIVISION OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION

- L. Approval of Mississippi College's request to delete two (2) approved traditional teacher educator preparation initial licensure-track Bachelor of Education Programs in Biology 7-12 and Chemistry 7-12 and two (2) licensure-track Master of Education programs in Athletic Administration K-12 and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) K-12

Background Information: In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 37-3-2 there is established within the MDE the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development. It shall be the purpose and duty of the commission to make recommendations to the Mississippi Board of Education regarding standards for the certification and licensure and continuing professional development of those who teach or perform tasks of an educational nature in the public schools of Mississippi.

On September 5, 2025, at its regular meeting, the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development granted approval of Mississippi College's request to delete four (4) of its existing licensure-track programs as a result of no candidates being enrolled. Teachout plans have been provided to and approved by the Division of Educator Preparation for the Bachelor of Education Biology (7-12) program, licensure code 181. Teachout plans are not required for the remaining three (3) programs as there are no candidates currently enrolled.

Delete Programs:

- Bachelor of Science in Education, Biology (7-12), licensure code 181
- Bachelor of Science in Education, Chemistry (7-12), licensure code 185
- Master of Education Athletic Administration (K-12), licensure code 495
- Master of Education Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) (K-12), licensure code 931

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None