

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

DIVISION OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION

- O. Approval of Mississippi College's request to modify required courses, by removing courses, aligning equivalent course work, and reducing the number of required hours within its approved Mild/Moderate Disability (7-12) supplemental endorsement program

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 modify its approved supplemental endorsement in the area of Mild/Moderate Disability (7-12), licensure code 224, by removing three (3) courses and by aligning equivalent coursework at the graduate level to allow candidates to complete a combination of 12 hours of undergraduate level coursework and/or graduate level coursework as outlined herein. This supplemental endorsement shall only be added to an existing secondary or special subject license. The proposed modifications are as follows:

Remove Courses:

- EDU 309 Early Literacy I (3 hours)
- EDU 334 Early Literacy II (3 hours)
- PSY 435 Psychology of Exceptional Children (3 hours)

Equivalent Graduate and Undergraduate Courses:

- EDU 413/5413 Current Educational and Psychological Testing Procedures I (3 hours)
- EDU 445/5445 Characteristics of Students with Mild/Moderate Learning Problems (3 hours)
- EDU 456/5456 Individual Programming for Students with Mild/Moderate Learning Problems II (3 hours)
- EDU 459/5459 Organizational Procedures for Special Education (3 hours)

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None