

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

DIVISION OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION

- Q. Approval of Tougaloo College's request to modify required courses within its existing approved Reading (K-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 Tougaloo College's request to modify its existing approved supplemental endorsement program in the area of Reading (K-12), licensure code 174, by removing three (3) courses, adjusting the required number of coursework credit hours from 21 to 12. The adjustment in the number of coursework credit hours is in alignment with minimum course requirements as outlined in the *Educator Preparation Provider Process and Performance Guidelines*. Additionally, Tougaloo College is adding 20 clinical hours to the four remaining courses resulting in the addition of 80 clinical hours before student teaching. The request is as follows:

Remove Courses:

- EDU 313 Children's Literature (3 hours)
- EDA 350 Introduction to Language Arts (3 hours)
- EDA 351 Methods of Teaching Language Arts (3 hours)

Courses to Remain with Newly Embedded Clinical Hours Added:

- EDR 300 Early Literacy I (3 hours)
- EDR 301 Early Literacy II (3 hours)
- EDR 312 Reading Across the Content Areas (3 hours)
- EDR 420 Diagnostic and Prescriptive Reading (3 hours)

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None