

OFFICE OF CHIEF SCHOOL AND DISTRICT TRANSFORMATION OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
January 15, 2026

OFFICE OF DISTRICT TRANSFORMATION

04.B. Action: Contract with Bailey Education Group to provide an Interim Superintendent in Holmes County Consolidated School District [Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Bailey Education Group
Jackson, Mississippi

Background Information:

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §37-17-6(12)(c), whenever the Governor declares a state of emergency in a school district, or when the State Board of Education places a school district into a District of Transformation due to poor academic performance or financial reasons, the State Board of Education is authorized to either assign an interim superintendent, or in its discretion, contract with a private entity with experience in the academic, finance and other operational functions of schools and school districts, who will have those powers and duties prescribed in subsection (15) of this section.

Scope of Project: The Contractor will provide an Interim Superintendent for the Holmes County Consolidated School District and will be responsible for the administration, management, and operation of the school district.

Personnel associated with this contract is a former Department employee and is not related to any Department employee.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: January 15, 2026 – January 14, 2027
- Total Cost of Contract: Not to exceed \$200,000.00
- Method of Award: Emergency Procurement

Funding Source: State funds*

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None

*The school district will reimburse the state for the cost – Miss. Code Ann. § 37-17-6(15)(a).