

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
September 28, 2023

OFFICE OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS

05.B. Action: Award competitive grant for the Migrant Education Program (Title I, Part C)
[Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Background and Purpose: The Migrant Education Program (MEP) is authorized by Title I, Part C of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as reauthorized by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Under the MEP, the U.S. Department of Education has awarded grants to state educational agencies for the purpose of establishing and improving programs and projects that are designed to meet the special educational needs of children of migratory agricultural workers or migratory fishers. This grant assists states in improving educational opportunities for migratory children and enables them to meet the challenging state academic standards through the provision of academic and instructional support services.

The MEP service providers administer the program on a regional basis in accordance with federal regulations. The Migrant Education Center at Mississippi State University will provide migrant students with the supports needed to be successful implementing the Migrant Education Program through grant awards issued by the Mississippi Department of Education for a 5-year period.

Awarding of the grant each year shall be contingent upon the successful completion of services, a performance evaluation, and the availability of funds.

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2028
(with a liquidation period ending December 30, 2028)
- Award Amount: \$4,175,039
- Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: Title I, Part C, of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)*, as amended by the *Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015*.

Summary of Selection Process:

A competitive grant selection process was utilized to award grant.

Scoring Criteria:

- A. Program Description
- B. Budget

This item references Goals 1 and 2 of the *Mississippi Board of Education Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

Title I, Part C – Migrant Education Program

District/Organization	Year 1 Grant Award	Year 2 Grant Award	Year 3 Grant Award	Year 4 Grant Award	Year 5 Grant Award	Total
MS State University	\$822,508.00	\$828,697.00	\$834,945.00	\$841,256.00	\$847,633.00	\$4,175,039.00

The Mississippi Department of Education reserves the right to negotiate grant award amounts depending upon MS State Legislature Appropriation. Grant awards will not exceed the above amounts.