

## The “Equity in Digital Learning Act” (EDLA) Timeline and Important Deadlines

<b>June 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Districts submit their Digital Learning Plan Needs Assessment
<b>July 9<sup>th</sup></b>	Senate Bill 3044 – the “Equity in Digital Learning Act” (EDLA) – becomes law
<b>July 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	The MDE shares preliminary EDLA Allocations to Districts
<b>July 29<sup>th</sup></b>	The MDE releases the Windows/Chromebook RFQ to vendors
<b>July 31<sup>st</sup></b>	Districts submit their Verified Digital Learning Plan Needs Assessment
<b>August 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Vendors submit Windows/Chromebook RFQ responses to the MDE
<b>August 4<sup>th</sup></b>	The MDE notifies winning vendor of the intent to award
<b>August 6<sup>th</sup></b>	The Mississippi State Board of Education authorizes the MDE to contract with Apple and CDW-G for the EDLA Devices
<b>August 13<sup>th</sup></b>	The MDE asks districts to notify the department of any needed changes to their Verified Digital Learning Plan Needs Assessment device counts
<b>August 18<sup>th</sup></b>	The MDE shares updated EDLA Allocations to Districts based on EDLA Devices contracts
<b>August 20<sup>th</sup></b>	The MDE executes EDLA Devices contracts
<b>August 28<sup>th</sup></b>	The MDE shares final EDLA Allocations to Districts based on EDLA Devices contracts
<b>September 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Final deadline for Districts to submit their Digital Learning Plans and EDLA Applications
<b>September 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Deadline for Districts to place Device orders with Apple and CDW-G
<b>September 18<sup>th</sup></b>	The MDE to reallocate any unobligated EDLA Funds for EDLA-related reimbursements
<b>October 1<sup>st</sup></b>	The MDE to report to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations and Education Committees on the use of funds distributed under this grant program and the effectiveness of distance learning plans adopted by schools
<b>November 1<sup>st</sup></b>	The MDE to reallocate any unobligated EDLA Funds for broader CARES Act reimbursements.
<b>November 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Deadline for vendors to complete delivery of EDLA Devices (delivery will be ongoing throughout the fall)
<b>December 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Deadline for districts to request reimbursement as outlined in the EDLA Application
<b>December 29<sup>th</sup></b>	EDLA Funding lapses.