

OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
August 15-16, 2013

OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

12. Approval of the recommended pass/fail cut score for the U.S. History Subject Area Test (SATP2)

Executive Summary

The U.S. History Policy Review Committee consisting of high school and middle school teachers, superintendents, principals, and district level leaders met on July 24, 2013, to review the previously recommended U.S. History Pass/Fail cut score and the previously approved plan to raise the cut score from 641 to 645 beginning with the 2013-2014 school year. After careful consideration, the Panel recommended the cut score should remain at 641 and be reviewed again after the 2014-2015 school year.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached



**Mississippi Subject Area Testing Program,
Second Edition**

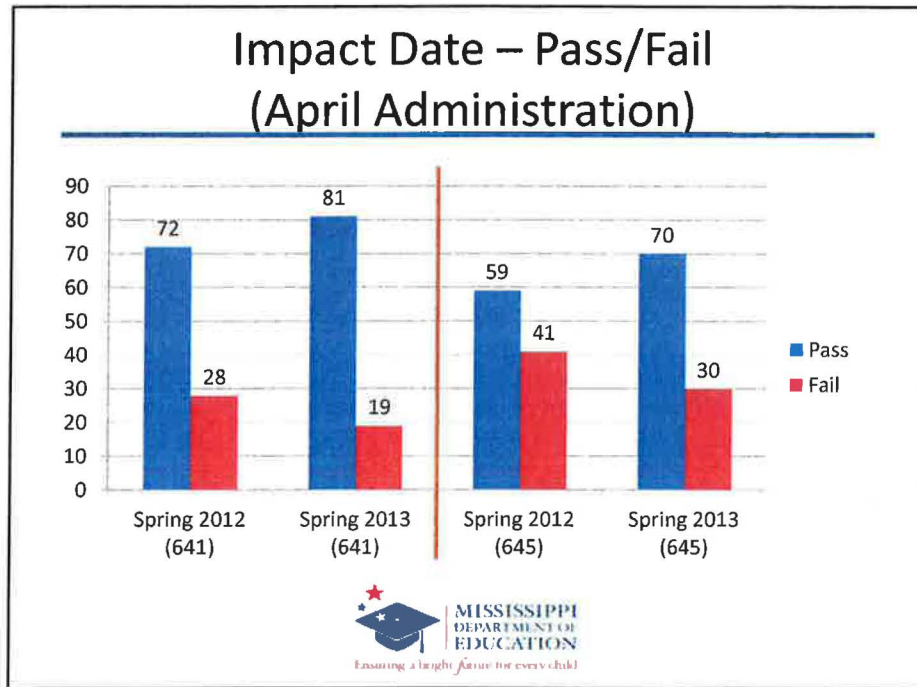
U.S. History Standard Setting

August 2013

Approved U.S. History Recommendations

	U.S. History Standard Setting Committee	State Board Approved Phase-in Approach	
	Recommended Scale Score	Phase I Scale Score (2011-12 to 2012-13)	Phase II Scale Score (2013-14 and beyond)
Advanced	658	658	658
Proficient	647	647	647
Basic	641	641	641
Pass/Fail	645	641	645






Recommendation of the USH Policy Review Committee:

- Approval to delay the planned increase of the Pass/Fail cut score for the U.S. History Subject Area Testing Program (SATP2) exam scheduled for 2013-2014. Reconvene in 2015 to examine more impact data.

Rationale:

- Ever-changing landscape in education
- Transition to new assessments
- Highest Depth of Knowledge (DOK) assessment
- Number of retest opportunities for students
- No preparatory exams
- Prerequisite Social Studies courses new to curriculum


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