OFFICE OF EDUCATIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items January 16-17, 2014

OFFICE OF ACCREDITATION

26.A. <u>Approval of the Corrective Action Plan for the Coahoma County School District in</u>
Accordance with Accreditation Policy 2.8.1

Executive Summary

In accordance with Accreditation Policy 2.8.1 of the *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards*, 2012, a school district that has been assigned a PROBATION or WITHDRAWN accreditation status must submit a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) with defined timelines in which to correct the district's deficiencies. In accordance with policy 2.8.1, the State Board of Education implements the program of development in each district in accordance with Section 37-17-6(10), Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

The Coahoma County School District was assigned a PROBATION status by the State Board of Education on September 13, 2013. The district submitted the CAP to the Mississippi Department of Education within sixty (60) days of notification as required. Each program office has reviewed the section of the CAP applicable to its office and has approved the corrective actions and timelines provided by the school district.

The Coahoma County School District currently has the following issues of noncompliance with accreditation policies and process standards on record: Accreditation Policy 2.1 and Process Standards 1, 2, 3, 9, 13, 14, 15, 17, 21, 23.1, 27, 27.2, 28, 28.1, 28.2, 29, 29.1, 29.2, 33, 37, and 37.1.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

COAHOMA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Accreditation Audit Corrective Action Plan 2013-2014

District Name: Coahoma County School District

Superintendent: Pauline J. Rhodes_

School Board President: Patrick Campbell,

Board Approval Date 10/2

Accountability Requirements and Accreditation Standards Coahoma County School District (1400)

The following standards and policies below were marked "No" on the recent Accreditation Audit for Coahoma County School District.

1. Accreditation Policy 2.1: The Commission on School Accreditation determines the annual accreditation status of all public school districts in the fall of each school year based on verified accreditation data from the previous school year. An annual district accreditation status is assigned based on compliance with Process Standards. Information concerning district compliance with Process Standards is reported to the Commission on an annual basis.

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district has failed to report complete and accurate information concerning personnel	1. Appoint a District Accreditation Compliance Officer All district personnel	MS Public Schools Accountability Standards 2012	Director of Federal Programs and Personnel	September 2013 – June 2014	Minutes from meeting where board approved compliance officer Sign-in page, agenda,
duties, job titles, salaries, supplements, and funding sources to MSIS.	responsible for this task attended the Data (MSIS) Conference in	MSIS User Manuals	Business Administrator/Officer		and minutes from meeting held to evaluate accuracy of MSIS data
Salaries stated on contracts were not the	July 2013 2. All district personnel	SAMS7 User Manual	MSIS Coordinator School Attendance		Specific attention will be given to ensure that
same as those listed on the Personnel Report. • Contracts did not	responsible for this task will meet to verify the accuracy of all	MDE (MSIS) Online	Clerk and Secretaries		salaries and job positions/responsibilities listed on the MSIS
specify job responsibilities;	personnel data before it is entered into MSIS	Employment Software	Payroll Clerk		(Personnel Report) correlate with board
therefore, work assignments listed on the Personnel Report	and before the MSIS Personnel Report is submitted.	District Website	Elementary Principals		minutes, teacher contracts, and payroll records
could not be verified. • Contracts listed	3a. Teacher contracts will specify teacher job	0	High School Principal		Evaluation of At-Will
positions as "licensed employees" except for	responsibilities; ensuring verification of		Superintendent		Agreements

principals.

• Multiple employees were listed on the school rosters that were not reported on the Personnel Report.

• Many employees had multiple contracts on file.

• Salary schedules for teachers, administrators and supplemental services were described by the superintendent as "old and outdated" It

was impossible to use

supplements paid for

reconcile amounts on

employees. There was no administrative salary

superintendent said it

was not possible to

certain positions to

contracts for many

scale and the

develop one.

amounts on hand-

written lists of

teacher contracts and work assignments listed on the Personnel Report. 3b. Teacher contract salaries will match salaries in MSIS 4. Personnel data will be verified for accuracy in the school data package (SAMS7). Hand produced rosters will no longer be used. Only rosters of faculty and staff printed from SAMS7 will be utilized at the schools. This will help ensure accuracy of school rosters. 5. The district will make a practice of requiring new teacher candidates to have verifications of previous employment complete during the application process and prior to board approval. This practice will eliminate the need to adjust teacher contracts after initial approval due to receiving additional years of verification. 6. Salary schedules for teachers, administrators, and supplemental

Evaluation and use of Employee rosters printed from SAMS7

Employment application check-list and notification on webpage

A copy of the Personnel MAEP Report showing that there are no errors on it

Evaluation of Administrator, Teacher, and Supplemental Services Salary Schedules

services will be u	pdated		
and developed.			

2. Standard 1: School board members complete required basic and continuing education Programs MS Code 37-3-4 (5) and 37-7-306 (1-4)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance with Process Standard 1. Based on a review of the school board minutes from January 2011 through December of 2012, additional information provided by the district, as well as confidential interviews, the school board has failed to fulfill its role and effectively perform its duty in a manner prescribed by law and policy. Although Mississippi School Boards Association training has been provided to school board members, the school board members, the school board has not restricted its role and function to matters of setting policy and assessing results. • The Coahoma County School has three new members. The two newly	1. All school board members have completed the required training, and certificates of completion are on file in the Coahoma County school superintendent's office and at the Mississippi School Boards Association (MSBA) office. The district has developed a process for assuring that all school board members' continuing	MSBA MDE School Board Attorney MASS Board Calendar	School Board Superintendent	September 2013 and ongoing	All School Board members have completed the required basic training. Training Certificates are on file in the superintendent's office. Superintendent and School Board attended workshop on clearing standards 1-3 on September 27, 2013. Agenda and Sign in sheet from MSBA workshops for September 27, 2013 and November 14-15. Signed Minutes Sign in sheets from schools and form provided by MSBA to show board visits to schools

elected board members completed the required training as of December 2012. The third recently appointed board member will attend basic training in March 2013. Certificates of completion of the required annual continuing education programs as required by this standard were not available for verification for the original two board members. Although			
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member stated during developed a	_	developed a	
interviews that they process for	interviews that they	process for	
had attended documenting		documenting	
sessions, neither had school board		school board	
documentation on security bonds.		security bonds.	
file to verify completion of the This process will		This process will	
confine title be approved by	-	be approved by	
sessions. It was the board at its	•	the board at its	
reported that the November 2013		November 2013	
board president does school board		school board	
not attend sessions meeting, and such	Control of the Contro		
with the board as a action is reflected		0.	
group, rather seeks in the school	group, rather seeks		

	opportunities to	hoard minutes		
		board influtes.		
•	opportunities to attend alone. Based on a review of the school board minutes from January 2011 through December of 2012, additional information provided by the district, as well as confidential interviews, the school board has failed to fulfill its role and effectively perform its duties in a manner prescribed by law. "All minutes of the school board shall be signed by the president of the board, shall be attested by the secretary of the board and shall be adopted by the board at the next regular meeting, or within thirty (30)	board minutes. 3. The school board and superintendent attended a three-hour workshop facilitated by MSBA on September 27, 2013, and has scheduled a follow-up, six-hour workshop for November 14-15 at Clinton, MS facilitated by MSBA on Team Building and Proper Planning and Monitoring of the Plan. 4. Although there is no legal requirement that		
	or within thirty (30) working days,	no legal requirement that the school boards		
	whichever occurs later." [Section 37-6-	and superintendent		
	9 of the Mississippi Code of 1972] A	attend board		
	review of the school	training events		
	board minutes	together, the board		

indicates that none of	and			
the minutes for the				
past two years have	superintendent			
been signed by either	now understand			
the school board	the value of all			
president or the	receiving the same			1
school board	information as a			
secretary. During an	team so as to			
interview, the	solidify the			
president stated that	board/superintend			
he "had not had	ent relationship			
time" to read and	and focus as the			1
sign the minutes and				1
that he had been	district moves			1
advised by counsel to	forward. The			
"take his time". He	board and			1
further stated that he	superintendent			1
felt that the school	will annually			
board minutes did	discuss school			1
not always accurately	board training			1.
reflect the	opportunities at a			
proceedings of the school board	school board			1
meeting. However, a	meeting in an			1
review of minutes for				1
the past two years	attempt to find a			
revealed no recorded	training session			1
instances where the	which can be			
school board minutes	attended by the			1
were amended.	board and			1
During the	superintendent as			1
September 13, 2011,	a team. Such			
school board	discussion will be			
meeting, the	reflected in the			
recommendation to	minutes of the			
approve minutes of	Coahoma County			
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the August 9, 2011	School Board.			
regular meeting and				
the August 11, 2011	5. All minutes of the			
special-called	school board will			
meeting, died for lack of a second.	be signed by the			
Those minutes were	president of the			
subsequently not	board and will be			
amended nor	attested by the			
approved. Section	secretary of the			
37-6-9 of the	board. The board			
Mississippi Code of	now understands			
1972, as amended	the process for			
provides that board	approving the			
minutes shall be	minutes and			
adopted by the board				
at the next regular	amending the			
meeting, or within thirty (30) working	minutes when			
days, whichever	board members			
occurs later.	disagree with the			
"Each school board	contents of the			
member selected	minutes.			
after July 1, 2001,	Henceforth, all	A		
shall spend at least	minutes will be			
one (1) full day in a	adopted by the			
school in the district	board at the next			
they represent,	regular meeting,	1		
without	or within thirty			
compensation." There is no	(30) working			
documentation or	days, whichever			
record in the school	occurs later. All			
board minutes that	school board		201	
these visits have	minutes for the			
occurred. Interviews	past two years			
	pasterio jours			

	with the board	have been signed	_
	members did not	by the school	
	reveal that regularly	board president	
	scheduled visits to	and attested to by	
	the schools, as a	the school board	
	group or		
	individually, are	secretary.	
	scheduled or	6. The school board	
	occurred.		
•	The CCSD policy	will adopt a policy	
	CEI calls for the Superintendent's	on "School Board	
	annual evaluation to	Visitation to	
	be reviewed by the	Schools." Such	
	school board	policy will include	
	president in	a "Board Member	
	executive session no	Documentation	
	later than February	Form" that	
	15 th . This process	documents the	
	was tabled in January	date(s) and hours	
	of 2011, until June of 2011. No action was	spent in each	
	taken during the June	school. The policy	
	14 th meeting. School	will require that	
	board minutes did	the documentation	
	not reflect that this	of board member	
	evaluation was	visitation to the	
	conducted in 2012.	school campuses	
	There is no evidence	be maintained in	
	that the	the office of the	
	superintendent's evaluation was a	superintendent.	
	basis for constructive		
	improvement	7. The board and	
	initiatives or	superintendent	
	validation of	recently received	
		recently received	

performance.	additional training		1
On matters of	provided by		
personnel	MSBA on proper		
recommendations	evaluation of the		
and compensation, a	superintendent		
review of school	and now fully		
board minutes	understand the		
indicated a recurring			
pattern of tabling the	board's legal		
superintendent's recommendations.	responsibility to		
Those have been	annually evaluate		
addressed in special	the		
called board	superintendent.		
meetings. On at least	The board and		
three occasions, the	superintendent		
school board had	will receive		
failed to support the	further training on		
superintendent's	the superintendent		
recommendation for	evaluation process		
personnel and	at its November		
provided no reason	14-15, 2013		
for the denial. According to	workshop.		
Mississippi Code of	workshop.		
1971, [Section 37-7-	8. Through recent		
17; 37-9-17], the	training provided		
superintendent	~ .		
recommends license	by MSBA, the		
or non-instructional	board now fully		
personnel employees	understands its		
to the local school	legal obligation to		
board, and unless	act on all		
good reason to the	personnel		
contrary exists, the	recommendations		
board shall elect the	brought forth by		

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	employees so	the superintendent		1
l	recommended. The	and to approve all		
	board only has the	personnel		
	authority to approve	recommendations		
	or disapprove hiring	made by the		
	recommendations.	superintendent,		
	The board must have	•		
	good reason to reject	unless good cause		
	any recommendation.	exists not to		
	See MS AG op. Shelton (February	approve such		
	20, 1980), MS Ag	recommendations.		
	Op., Hand (February	The board further		l l
	2, 1995) and MS AG	understands that		
	Op., Lowrey (July	school board		
	31, 1998).	minutes must		
	During interviews it	reflect the reason		
	was revealed that the	(good cause) for		
	board president had	any personnel		ľ
	contacted the school	recommendations		
	board in another			
	district to inquire	rejected by the		
	about an applicant.	board.		
	There were differing	0 771 - 1 - 11 - 1		
	accounts from the	9. The school board		
	board president and	will review its		
	superintendent	personnel salary		
	regarding the interview of the	structure to assure		
	applicant. The	that job		1.
	recommendation was	descriptions have		
	rejected by the	been developed		
	school board. The	and appropriate		
	superintendent	salaries are set for		
	shared during an	each position.		
	interview that the	Such action will		
		Such action will		

school board did not	be reflected in			
approve the	future minutes.			
recommendation				
because of the	10. The school board			
proposed salary.	now understands			
Then the	that it cannot			
superintendent	approve teacher			
revised the salary and	stipends for			
placed the recommendation on	•			
the next month's	workshops and			
board agenda. The	meetings			
board voted to amend	retroactively, has	10		
the agenda and	notified the			
remove the	superintendent of			
superintendent's	such, and has			
recommendation.	recommended that			
During separate	the superintendent			
interviews, both the	and business			
superintendent and	officer attend			
the board president	financial training			
expressed their	provided by the			
attempts to cooperate	• •			
and plan the agendas.	Mississippi			
However, it is	Association of			
evident that the level	School Business			
of animosity and	Officers			
mistrust impedes effective	(MASBO).			
communications				
between them.				
Ongoing "political	11. Although there is			
issues" deter their	no legal			
abilities to get	requirement that			
beyond their	the board include			
differences and	"Public	4.4		
	Public			

	totally focus on what	Comments" as a		
	is best for students	segment of its		
	and the district.	board meeting, the		
•	Upon the	board realizes the		
	recommendation of	importance that		
	the superintendent,	community		
	the school approved	engagement plays		
	teacher stipends for workshops and	in improving the		
	meetings	school district.		
	retroactively. No	The board has		
	prior approval of			
	payment was found.	received a		
	AG OP No. 2002-	community		
	0716, REF: " <u>Article</u>	"Public		
	4, Section 96 of the	Comment" policy		
	Mississippi	from MSBA and		
	Constitution	will consider		
	provides: The legislature shall	reinstating public		
	never grant extra	comments as a		
	compensation, fee,	segment of future		
	allowance, to any	school board		
	public officer, agent	meetings. Such		
	servant, or	discussion and		
	contractor, after	action shall be		
	service rendered or	reflected in the		
	contract made, nor	minutes of the		
	authorize payment or part payment of any	board.		
	claim under any			
	contract not	12. To help school		
	authorized by law;	board members		
	but appropriations	better understand		
	may be made for	how Title 1 funds		
	expenditures in	are distributed to		
		are distributed to		

_	ng invasion,	the various			
preven	-	schools, the board			
suppres		will receive an			
	ctions."	annual	1		
	les include but	comparability			
	limited to the	report from the			
followi i.	_	superintendent or		1.4	
	On July 10, 2012, the	her designee.			
	school board	her designee.			
	approved	10 77			
	stipends of	13. The school board			
	\$62.50 for a	now fully			
	half day	understands the			
	training for	importance of		4	
	21 teachers	having a school	1		
	for Journey	board member			
	Training	present for			
	conducted on	interviews when			
	June 26, 2012.	the district is			
ii.	On July 26,	being considered			
	2012, the	for being awarded			
	school board	a grant.			
	approved	Henceforth, the			
	stipends of	board will			
	\$125.00 for 8	designate an			
	teachers for	alternate school			
	Thinking	board member to			
	Maps training conducted on	serve as the			
		board's			
	July 25, 26, and 27 of				
	2012. The	representative in			
	school board	case the			
	also approved	designated board			
	a stipend of	member has a			

	\$125.00 for	conflict and		Ť
V	10 teachers	cannot attend an		
	for the Data	interview session.		
,	Analysis	interview session.		
	workshop	H		
	held on July	Update Board Calendar		
	21, 2012.	And include proposed board visits to schools		
	iii. On August	board visits to schools		
	14, 2012, the			l.
	school board	Superintendent's		
	approved	Evaluation is placed on		
	stipends of	the Board Calendar and a		
	\$125.00 for	copy of the instrument is		
	one teacher	mailed out to the board at		
	for <i>Thinking Maps</i> training	the January meeting		
	conducted on			
	July 16 and			
	17.	The School Board will		
	iv. On	adhere to MS Code of		
	September	1971, Section 37-7-17;37-		
	11, 2012, the	9-17 regarding personnel		
	school board	recommendations.		
	approved	The school board will		
	stipends of	adhere to AG OP No.		
	\$125.00 for	2002-0716, REF: "Article		
	New Teacher	4, Section 96 of the		
	Training for	Mississippi Constitution		
	36 teachers	regarding paying stipends		
l V	for July 26 and 27 of	to employees.		
1.0	and 27 of 2012.	1 1		
	The review of board	A memo will be sent to		
•	minutes for two years	all principals stating the		
	revealed that there	boards resolve to follow		
	was no documented	the Mississippi		
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instance of any	paying stipends to		
Public Comments.	employees		
Some board members			
shared their belief			
that the distribution			
of Title One funds			
favored one			
elementary school			
over other schools			
with greater needs.			
 The school district 		1	
applied for the			
School Improvement			
Grant (SIG) form			
MDE's Office of			
School Recovery.			
The grant application			
was denied due to a			
lack of commitment			
from the school			
board. According to			
the official			
communication from			
Dr. Kim Benton,			
Bureau Manger,			
"Despite being			
specifically			
instructed to do so,			
Coahoma failed to			
bring a board			
representative to the			
interview as required			
of the interview			
process." The board			
president was			
scheduled to attend,		4	

but he missed both			
interview			
opportunities.			, -

3. Standard 2: School Board policies that comply with state and federal statutes, rules, and regulations serve as the basis of operation for the district, and current copies of school board policies are published and available for public review. (MS Code 25-61-1 through 17; 37-9-1 through 75; 37-9-101 through 113; 37-7-301 (p) (w); and Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance with Process Standard 2. While current copies of the school board policies are published and available for public review, a number of irregularities and areas of non-compliance exist. • Interviews with board members and the superintendent revealed that board policies are not	-	MSBA Sample Policies MSBA O-Policy School Board Attorney		August 2013-May 2014 and On-going	Revised District Policy Manual Agenda and Sign in sheet of District Policy Review Team Board minutes where policies were reviewed annually Board minutes where policies were approved Purchasing documents showing purchase of MSBA O-Policy
reviewed or revised on an annual basis. The district does not have a regular procedure or policy for annual review of board policies. • Two board members	Policies will reflect the district's vision for student achievement as the primary role of the board and superintendent and will be aligned with				(purchase order, invoice, and requisition) Revised and adopted board calendar indicating specific dates for annual policy review

felt tha	at the school	the strategic plan. The				
board p	policies were	District's policy				
incons	istent or	manual will be kept				
inequit	tably applied.	current through				- 1
Examp	oles cited	electronic means.				
during	interviews of					
	ces of teacher	The school district				
miscon	nduct not being	will review its		ľ		
address	sed included:	policies on an on-		1		
i.	On one	going basis. Such				
	occasion a	review will be				
	teacher had	reflected in the				
	not	minutes of the school				
	adequately	board.				
	supervised					
	students in					
	the cafeteria	Through policy, the				
	and a physical	board will require the			1	
	assault on	superintendent to				
	another	include annual staff				
	teacher	development for				
	resulted.	school teachers and				
	Failure to	administrators to				
	address the	assure that school				
	child who	board policies are				
	committed	applied consistently				- 1
	the assault	and equitably.				
	was noted.					
	No reprimand	To assure the				
	was given to	operation of the				1
	the teacher	school district is				- 1
	who failed to	based on approved				
	perform the	school board policies				
	assigned	and procedures that				
	supervisory	are current and that				
	duties.	comply with state and				
ii.	On another	federal statutes and				
			1.0			

occasion, a	SBE policies and		
teacher	standards, the board		
addressed a	will require that the		
student with	superintendent		
profanity.	correlate all		
Others	applicable agenda		
witnessed th	e items to the		
verbal	appropriate school		
misconduct.	board policy and that		
No repriman	d such correlation is		
or other	reflected on the		
actions were	agenda. The board		
taken.	will annually review	1	
	all teacher handbooks,		
	student handbooks,		
	and other documents		
	which function under		
T ₁	the authority of the		
n'	approved board		
	policy. Such review		
	shall be scheduled on		
	a school board		
	calendar and such		
	review shall be		
	reflected as a part of		
	the school board's		
	minutes.		
	Develop a process for		
	annual policy review		
	Superintendent and		
	School Board will set		
	specific dates to discuss		
	and adopt policies. The		
	board will review and		
	adopt new policies by		
	section on July, October,		

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January,	and April		

4. Standard 3: The school boa the manner prescribed by law		roperly licensed and chosen in

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance with Process Standard 3. The superintendent is properly licensed and chosen in a manner prescribed by law. Based on interviews conducted with district staff, forms viewed during the audit, and a detailed analysis of official documentation on file in the district and schools, the school board failed to give the superintendent full administrative authority and supervisory responsibility of the school district as required by state law and approved local school board policies. Findings for Standards 1 and 2 reflect many of these issues. Examples of board actions that attempt to circumvent the superintendent's responsibilities and that document the board's involvement in the operational functions of the district include but are not limited to the following: • The board president's	The Coahoma County school board and superintendent have scheduled workshops facilitated by MSBA on <i>Proper Planning and Monitoring</i> and <i>Team Building</i> . An expected outcome of these workshops is that the board and superintendent will be able to maintain a positive and professional working relationship and develop an instructional management plan and implement a system for reporting to the board on policy issues, academic goals, achievement growth/lack of growth, and other significant issues. The school board will give the superintendent full administrative authority and	MSBA MDE MASS MS Code Section 37- 6-3; 37-9-7, 13, 14; 37-61-9; and 37-151-5 (h)	School Board and Superintendent	November 2013 and Ongoing	School Board Minutes indicating board's decision to establish and follow a designee list for board required attendance. Sign in sheet and agenda from MSBA Workshops.

interactions with	supervisory		
potential employees.	responsibility of the		
 Numerous attempts 	school district as		
by the superintendent	required by state law		
to hire or transfer	and local school board		
personnel to positions	policies. However,		
that have been denied	the school board		
by the school board.	cannot relinquish it		
Attempts to non-	legal role of oversight		
renew personnel have	of the superintendent.		
been denied.	Moving forward,		
The board's actions to			
impede opportunities for the	The beaut		
district to receive additional	The board		
funding. The school district	president will		
applied for the School	limit his interactions		
Improvement Grant (SIG)	with potential		
for MDE's office of School	1 - 1		
Recovery. The grant	employees to that of		
application was denied due	advising		
to a lack of commitment	potential		
from the school board.	employees of		
According to the official	the hiring		
communication from Dr.	policy and		
Kim Benton, Bureau	procedures of		
Manager, "Despite being	the Coahoma		
specifically instructed to do	County		
so, Coahoma failed to bring a	School		
board representative to the	District.		
interview as required of the	District.		
interview process." The			
board president was	The board, in		
scheduled to attend but	fulfilling its		
missed both interview	oversight role		
opportunities. The	in hiring, will		
superintendent felt that the	assure that (1)		

district lost an opportunity to	any potential		
provide for its students due	employees		
to the neglect of the board	recommended		
president.	by the		
	superintendent		
	have been		
	thoroughly		
	investigated by		
	the		
	superintendent;		
	(2) that no		
	recommendatio		
	ns are brought		
	forth to the		
	board without		
	the		
i' l	superintendent		
	having		
/	contacted		
	previous		
	employers; and		
	(3) a written		
	report of such		
	finding is		
	received by the		
	board and then		
	entered into the		
	personnel file		
	of such		
	employee, if		
	employed.		
	The board		
	will comply		
	with State law		
	in all hiring,		

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transferring,		
non-renewals,		
and		
termination of		
personnel.		
Board		
minutes will		
reflect that		
any actions on		
such matters		
are in		
compliance		
with		
applicable		
laws.		
Individual		
board		
members will		
seek		
opportunities		
to receive		
additional		
training in school		
employment		
law.	1	
The school board	1	
now fully		
understands the		
importance of		
having a school		
board member		
present for		
interviews when the		
district is being		

considered for being awarded a grant. Henceforth, the board will designate an alternate school board member to serve as the board's representative in case the designated board member has a	
conflict and cannot attend an interview session	
The School Board will designate the Vice President and the Secretary to attend board required meeting if the board President is unable to attend. The President will inform the district in advance if he cannot attend	

5. Standard 9: The school district implements a formal personnel appraisal system for licensed staff that includes assessment of employee on-the-job performance. {MS Code 37-3-46(b)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The school district's formal appraisal system for licensed staff was approved by the school board in 2008, but has not been updated since. The personnel Appraisal System was not in the 2012-2013 employee handbook	Update Policy GBI, Evaluation of Professional Employees Board approval of updated Policy GBI, Evaluation of Professional Employees policy Implementation of M-STAR Standards and Observation Cycle, which includes 5 unannounced walk-through observations and scheduled formative and summative observations Implementation of MPES, which includes Goals Setting Conference, Formative Conference, Circle Survey Conference, and Summative Assessment Conference Publish M-STAR and MPES in the employee handbook	M-STAR Standards MPES (CANVAS) MDE and district approved training 2013-2014 and 2014- 2015 Employee Handbooks MSBA O-Policy School Board Attorney	Director of Federal Programs and Personnel Director of Curriculum and Professional Development Superintende nt School Board	June 2013 through June 2014	Board agenda and minutes of approval and implementation of M-STAR Standards and MPES. Evaluate M-STAR process; documentation will be received from principals on teacher goals, pre-conference/formative evaluations; and post-conference/summative evaluations. Artifacts of teacher instructional evidence will also be analyzed. Evaluate process through CANVAS

6. Standard 13: Any transfer student form a school or program (correspondence, tutorial, or home study) not accredited regionally of by a state board of education [or its designee (s) is given either a standardized achievement test(s) or teacher-made special subject test(s) to determine the appropriate classification of the student within 30 days after filing for transfer. Notice of the administering of such test(s) shall be given to the applicant no less than five days prior to the date of the administration of such test. {MS Code 37-15-33}(SB Policy 3801& 3802)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
There was no evidence that transfer students are given either a standardized achievement test(s) or teacher-made special subject test(s) to determine the appropriate classification of the student within 30 days after filing for transfer	Update local school board policy JBCD, Transfer and Withdrawal of Students, with every principal to ensure every principal understands responsibilities and procedures. Require that each school has the following on file: 1. Parent notification letter. 2.) Appropriate standardized test 3.) Parent notification of Student Placement letter. District office will request documentation of: 1. Parent notification letter 2. Student test(s) results 3. Parent notification of Student Placement letter for all transfer students from	Copy of CCSD school board policy JBCD, Transfer and Withdrawal of Students. STAR Reading STAR Math MSBA O-Policy School Board Attorney	Director of Curriculum and Professional Development Building Principal Superintendent School Board	October 2013 to June 2014	Sign-in Sheet, agenda, and minutes from principal policy review meeting Copies of each schools letters for parents on file at the district office and at each school site Copies of monthly parent notification, student test results, and placement letters on file at central office, and letters attesting to the fact that no student transferred requiring testing for a particular month. Copy of test results in cumulative folder of transfer student Board agenda, minutes showing approval of

non-accredited public or	revised policy
private schools each	
month.	

7. Standard 14: Permanent records and cumulative folders for individual students contain all required data and are collected, maintained, and disseminated in compliance with state law, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, and the Confidentiality Section of the Individuals with Disabilities Act, 1997 Amendments. MS Code 17-15-1 through 3)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district has not established standard procedures for the collection, maintenance, and dissemination of cumulative folders. Problem identified with student records include: Date of birth not verified and initialed; dates enrolled/withdrawn were not completed and incomplete data recorded; information on the cumulative folder did not match the information on the permanent record; daily attendance records were not maintained; information on	Provide each school with the MDE manual and guidelines for permanent records and cumulative folders. Each School will develop a cumulative folder corrective action plan to correct, update, and re-create accurate cumulative folders and permanent records for each student. Hire a consultant to conduct an internal audit	Consultant MDE manual and guidelines Additional folders and inserts from the MDE	Responsible Building principals School Counselors Director of Curriculum and Professional Development Superintendent	August 2013 to June 2014	Inspection of student's permanent records. Hired Consultant in Fall 2013 Consultant work reports Attestation of receipt of MDE manual from each building principal Agenda, Sign-in, and minutes of Manual Review Meeting Superintendent Report to the Board communicating results of inspection of
permanent records was incomplete; student records were not developed for	District will provide professional				student's permanent records at various schools

kindergarten students; immunizations were not verified.	development on the maintenance of student records, MDE, MASS, and MSBA.			
	Develop District manual Checklist			
	District Administrators will conduct random record check/inspection at each school at least once annually and report finding to the school board.			

8. Standard 15: The school district engages in planning to review the educational status of each school in the district and to address specific actions relative to accreditation and performance separately. (Schools in the Highest Achievement Levels are exempt)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance with Process Standard 15. Each school makes a regular report on academic progress to the school board and initiatives for school improvement. Although some documents (agenda from a retreat) were presented to the audit team, noting could be found that indicated that the school district had initiated a systematic process for strategic planning. Furthermore, the district strategic plan is not current and is not updated annually in light of the schools' plans. The plan on file does not address the current educational status of each school in the district nor does it set out specific actions relative to accreditation and performance separately. School board minutes did not reveal any annual review/updating of the	Schedule MSBA workshop on Strategic Planning School District will review and update the Strategic Plan Board Calendar will show annual review of Strategic Plan	MSBA P-16 Council District Administrators	Superintendent and School Board	September 2013- May 2014 and On-going	Updated Strategic Plan Agenda and Sign-in sheet from MSBA Workshop and or Retreat on November 14-15. Board Minutes where plan was approved Agenda and Sign in sheets from P-16 Council and other committee meeting Board Calendar

district's existing strategic plan dated 2009-2014.			

9. Standard 17: The school district develops a dropout prevention plan and implements programs designed to keep students in school and to lower student dropout rates. MS Code 37-3-46© and 37-21-9) (No child Left Behind Act of 2001)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance with Standard 17. While the district has a board approved Dropout Prevention Plan, it appears that several schools implement very few components to reduce dropout rates. There was no evidence of an annual review of the plan at the schools, either past or present.	The district will update the Dropout Prevention Plan. Training will be provided for all district and school administrators. Training at each school site with principals and staff. Meet with Dropout Prevention Team quarterly. The Student Service Director will set specific dates for team meetings Training for School Resource Officers	Dropout Prevention Conference 2013 MDE Office of Dropout Prevention Dropout Prevention Template	Superintendent Dropout Prevention Team Student Service Director School Board Principals	August 2013 to January 2014	Review and update the Dropout Prevention Plan annually. Board Agenda and Minutes showing approval Sign-in Sheets, Agenda and Minutes Schedule of Dropout Prevention Team Quarterly Meetings for each school

10. Standard 19 and 19.2: The academic year provides a minimum of 180 teaching days in which both teachers and pupils are in regular attendance for scheduled classroom instruction for not less than sixty percent (60%) of the normal school day. MS Code 37-3-49, 37-13-61 through 69, 37-15—5 (j), and 37-151-7 (3)(d)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
Each School did not provide 330 minutes of instruction per day	The School Calendar for the 2013-2014 school year reduces the number of 60% days from 16 to 2. The calendar will be presented to the board for approval Each school will submit their master schedule for approval by district office	None Needed	Director of Curriculum and Professional Development Building Principals	February 2013 to June 2013	Revised Calendar reported to MDE and in MSIS Board minutes indicating approval of minutes Copies of each School's master schedule indicating a minimal of 330 minutes. * MDE Team Leader, Debbie Childers, recommended clearance on October 16, 2013

11. Standard 19.3: The school district must ensure that during the academic school year a minimum of 140 hours of instruction is provided for each Carnegie unit of credit offered and 70 hours for each ½ unit offered, except for accelerated learning programs and remedial instructional programs that are proficiency based. A traditional 7-period day schedule must provide at least 48 minutes per period, and A/B and 4 x 4 block schedules must provide at least 94 minutes.

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The Coahoma County Jr/Sr High School did not offer 140 of instruction per Carnegie unit due to the number of early release days in the calendar	The School Calendar for the 2013-2014 school year reduces the number of 60% days from 16 to 2. The calendar will be presented to the board for approval CCHS will submit their class schedules for approval by district office	None needed	Director of Curriculum and Professional Development Building Principal	February 2013 to August 2013	Revised school calendar reported to MSIS Board minutes indicating approval of minutes Copies of schools' early release schedule indicating a minimal of 140 hours per unit and 70 for ½ units. * MDE Team Leader, Debbie Childers, recommended clearance on October 16, 2013

12. Standard 19.4: No more than two of the 180 days may be 60% days, unless the district is utilizing an Early Release schedule that provides at least 27.5 hours per five-day week provided that there are at least 198 minutes of actual instruction or testing and the remainder of each 60% day is used for professional development or other activities related in instruction. MS Code 37-151-5 (j)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district was utilizing an Early Release schedule that was not being used for professional development or other activities related to instruction. There was an early release date, but not detailed professional development	Revise School Calendar for the remainder of school year 2013-2014. The district will only use 2 60% days and discontinue utilizing the early release schedule. Each school will submit their early release schedule for approval by district office	None	Superintendent	February 2013 to June 2013	Revised Calendar reported to MDE and in MSIS Board minutes indicating approval of only 2 Early Release Days Copies of each School's master schedule indicating a minimal of 198 minutes of instruction * MDE Team Leader, Debbie Childers, recommended clearance on October 16, 2013

13. Standard 19.5: The school district schedules preparation for graduation ceremonies in such manner that graduating seniors are absent from classes for no more than three days prior to the end of the school year (177 days).

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
Seniors are released on May 15 2013, and graduation is on May 17, 2013, which requires seniors to miss more than 3 days prior to the end of the school year.	Seniors will be required to attend school until graduation, which is scheduled for May 23, 2013. The last day of school is May 28, 2013. This means that seniors will only miss 2 days prior to the end of the school year	None	Superintendent and high school principal	May 2013 to August 2013	Revised school calendar reported to MSIS Board minutes indicating approval of minutes Graduation date is only 2 days prior to the end of school. * MDE Team Leader, Debbie Childers, recommended clearance on October 16, 2013

14. Standard 19.6: The summer school/extended year program meets all applicable requirements of the regular school program. MS Code 37-3-49.

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The summer school program is for grades 1-8 and is administered by Teach for America Program. The district provides a space and students. Attendance is voluntary and the goals of the program are unclear and not specific. Teach for America guidelines for the summer programs objectives did not follow the Mississippi K-8 frameworks. Students do not have written permission or a plan and there is no evidence that the students complete all necessary objectives.	The summer school/extended year program will meet all applicable requirements of the regular school program and will be administered with district personnel. Students from other schools enrolled summer programs will provide written approval from the principal of their home school. Students enrolled in an extended year program	Funding to pay teachers School building Buses Administrators on duty to supervise the extended year program.	Director of Curriculum and Professional Development Building Principal	February 2013 July 2013	Each extended year program will keep a binder that has at the minimal copies of the following: Permission letters from principals Individual Objective Checklists Daily Attendance Records Promotion/Retention List Letters to parents indicating promotion or retention

Students will have individual checklists indicating mastery of		
the required skills during the extended		
year		

15. Standard 19.7: The district utilizing an Early Release Schedule or a Delayed Start School Day Schedule must have the schedules approved by the school board and published and disseminated. MS Code 37-3-49.

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district was utilizing an Early Release schedule that was not being used for professional development or other activities related to instruction. There was an early release date, but not detailed professional development	Revise School Calendar for the remainder of school year 2013-2014. The district will only use (2) 60% days and discontinue utilizing the early release schedule. Each school will submit their early release schedule for approval by district office		Superintendent	February 2013 to June 2013	Revised Calendar reported to MDE and in MSIS Board minutes indicating approval of only 2 Early Release Days Copies of each School's master schedule indicating a minimal of 198 minutes of instruction * MDE Team Leader, Debbie Childers, recommended clearance on October 16, 2013

16. Standard 21: The school district implements a professional development program aligned with the Learning Forward Standards for professional Learning MS Code 37-17-8

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district did not implement a professional development program aligned with the Learning Forward Standards for Professional Learning.	Develop and implement a comprehensive professional development program. Present the plan to the school board for approval	Needs Assessment Funding for consultants Funding to attend required MDE development MSBA O-Policy School Board Attorney	Curriculum Coordinator Superintendent School Board	April 2013- May 2014	Comprehensive Professional Development Plan. Board Minutes approving the professional development plan Agenda for each PD that indicates Learning Forward Standards for Professional Learning.

17. Standard 23.1: The school district is in compliance with state and/or federal requirements for Early Childhood Programs (kindergarten and teacher assistant) MS Code 37-21-1 et. Seq. SB Policy IDAC and FDD-4.

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
Schools can not confirm	Kindergarten teachers	MDE and Early	Curriculum		Sign-in sheet and
that every child is engaged	and assistants will	Childhood	Coordinator	August 2013 –on going	certificates from
in 100 minutes of learning	receive professional				professional development
center activity per day.	development training		Elementary		training.
Lesson plans are not written	as required by the MS		principals		

in unit format. Ongoing Early Childhood training	Department of Health.		Teacher lesson plans and
was not provided.	Schools' master		observations of lessons by
	schedules will indicate		principals and others.
	minimal of 100 center-		
	based instruction with		
	children engaged in		
	learning center		Inspection of Master
	activities per day.		schedules to ensure 100
			minutes of learning center
			activity per day.
	Weekly submission of		
	lesson plans in unit	7	
	format		

18. Standard 27: The school district implements an instructional management system that meets the following requirements: 27.1 The school district implements an instructional management system that has been adopted by the school board and that includes, at a minimum, the competencies required in the curriculum frameworks approved by the State Board of Education. MS Code 37-3-49. 27.2: suggested teaching strategies, resources, and assessment strategies are available to teachers in each school for selection and use in teaching the required competencies.

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance because there is not evidence of an updated, board approved district instructional management plan.	Revise and implement comprehensive instructional management policy that has been approved by the local board.	Current MS Framework and Common Core State Standards Professional	Curriculum Coordinator, Superintendent Principals, and teachers	August 2013 to May 2014	Board agenda and minutes indicating approval of revised instructional management system
pian.	Communicate the IMP to the building level as	development Binders for all	School Board		Sign-in sheets from professional developments

well as provide training on usage.	teachers	
The district will provide all teachers with a copy frameworks and pacing guides to be kept in curriculum binders	Online lesson plan system (ex. EZ Lesson planner) MSBA O-Policy School Board Attorney	All teachers will have a copy of the revised MS Frameworks and Common Core State Standards
The plan will be presented to the board for approval Principals will check		
lesson plans weekly and provide feedback with online system.		

19. Standard 28: The district follows an established board policy that defines criteria for the academic promotion/progression/retention of students. *Such criteria prohibit the retention of students for extracurricular purposes.

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance based on a lack of current, approved school board policies	Revise District Policy to comply with state and federal requirements and approved local school board policy.	School Board, MSBA O-Policy Superintendent School Board Attorney	Superintendent School board	October 2013 to July 2014.	Inspection of revised board policies regarding promotion/progression/retention of students with approval date. Board Agenda and minutes

Inspection of handbook for 2014-2015 school year to show that policy is stated correctly in
Board Agenda and minutes showing approval of 2014-2015 handbooks.

20. Standard 29: The school district provides an alternative education and/or GED program for the categories of students identified in Mississippi Code 37-13-92, and the program meets the guidelines established by the State Board of Education. (SB Policy IDDI-1 and 2 (See Guidelines for Alternative/GED School Programs.)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance with Standard 29, 29.1, and 29.2. The Alternative School is defined through written board approved policies and procedures that describe and provide educational opportunities for the categories of students to be served (excluding those found with drugs and weapons). The district operates its Alternative School through the Consortium Program with West Tallahatchie School District. North Delta Alternative School is the site where Coahoma County Alternative Education students are served and it is located in	The district will remain a part of the consortium with North Delta Alternative School to meet the needs of the students from the district. An ICEP (Individual Corrective Action Plan) will kept and maintained on each student participating in the program. Documentation will be provided to show that the students are assessed and evaluated by the TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education).	Superintendent, Principals, Assistant Principals North Delta Alternative School MDE Office of Dropout Prevention MDE Alternative School Guidelines	Principals Superintendent Counselors Director of Student Support	Current and on going	The district has successfully operated a GED Option Program for two school terms. We are in our third year. We will continue to review and evaluate the program on an annual basis, and provide the quality staff and material to sustain the program. Copy of Master Schedule of Class at Alternative School Copy of Revised Bus Schedule TABE Results in cumulative or individual folders ICEP in cumulative and
the city of Sumner, MS. Based on a review of	The curricula and				individual folders
district documentation and	instruction content				Documentation from

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staff interviews, there was	material will be made	NDAS will be kept in
no evidence that the district	available upon request.	cumulative and individual
was operating the		folders
Alternative Ed. Program		
according to the required		List of Committee that
guidelines. The findings are		comprise of teachers,
as follows:		administrator, counselors,
1. A total of 90	1. NDAS Officials	vocational representative
minutes a day is	have made a new	and other support staff.
used to transfer	schedule with the bus	
students roundtrip	drivers. Other	
from their home	alternatives are also	
school to North	being considered at	
Delta. In addition,	this time.	
students return to		
campus at least 30		
minutes before		
dismissal for the		
day. Both situations		
cause students to		
miss at least 120		
minutes of		
instructional time		
each day.		
2. Students in	2. The home school	
Alternative	will make the required	
Education are not	adjustment to ensure	
separated from the	that alternative	
regular student	education students are	
body before school	separated from the	
and after school.	regular students before	
They mix with other	and after school.	
students prior to	Workable solutions to	
being picked up and	prevent the mingling of	
returned to the	alternative students	
home campus well	before leaving campus	
before the end of	and their arrival back	

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	the school day.	on campus will be		
	They roam the	made and		
	campus freely	implemented.		
3.	Test results for			
	student enrolled in	3. Test results will be		
	Alternative School	kept on each		
	were not available.	alternative student and		
4.	Data/ documents	made available upon		
	were not available	request.		
	showing evaluation	4. Proper		
	of student progress	documentation will be		
	in academic and	obtained from NDAS		
	behavior at regular	that reflects the		
	intervals.	behavior, evaluation		
5.	1 ,	and student progress in		
	counselors and the	the academic areas at		
	Director of Student	regular intervals.		
	Support gave	This data will be		
	differing accounts	obtained from the		
	of how many	teachers at the		
	students attended	Alternative School.		
	the Alternative	Grades are faxed		
	School. The correct	grades from NDAS at		
	data was provided	the end of each grading		
	by the attendance	period.		
	clerk at the school.	Progress reports are		
6.	It could not be	sent home from NDAS		
	verified that the	every two weeks.		
	development and	5. The schools will		
	review of Individual	take greater		
	Instructional Plans	responsibility		
	was implemented	regarding knowing the		
	through the	number of students we		
	appropriate	have enrolled from the		
	committee	district at NDAS. The		
ъ.		number of slots		
D19	strict documentation	allotted for the district		
			6	

indicated that the board	is 15. Currently five		
approved a GED	slots are taken.		
Option Program June 5,	6. The Committee for		
2012. Documentation	Alternative placement		
was not available to	will meet and		
verify that the district	participate in the		
had established a GED	review of the		
Option Program,	Individual Instructional		
referrals/placement	Plan for student		
committee comprised	placement at NDAS.		
of teachers, campus			
administrators,	29.2		
counselors, vocational	Documentation		
representatives, and/ or	verifying that the		
other support staff. The	district has an		
principal seeded to have	established GED		
knowledge of the GED	Option Program is in		
Option Program except	place and will be made	1	
for the fact that twelve	available for review.		
students were enrolled.			1
District data did not	A committee		
document	comprised of teachers,		i i
implementation of the	campus administrators,		
Individual Education	counselors, vocational		
and Career Plan	representatives and		
Committee (ICEP).	other support staff will		
Neither the counselor	be formed and meet to		
nor the principal could	review, discuss and		
provide documentation	make referral of		
verifying that students	student who qualify for		
are appropriately	GED Option		
assessed and evaluated	placement.		
by the TABE (Test of			
Adult Based Education	A fill is and will be		
or an official practice	kept on each students		
test. The evaluator was	TABE results.		
not provided a copy of			- 14

the curricula and instructional content material.	The curricula and instructional content material for the GED Option Program will be made available upon request.				
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21. Standard 33: The basic curriculum of each elementary or middle school (any configuration of grades k-8) consists of reading/language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, the arts, and physical education, which may be taught by a regular classroom teacher. MS Code 37-1-3(2) and 37-13-134)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in	Provide 150 minutes of activity-based	P.E. and Health Frameworks	Principals, Curriculum	May 2013 to May 2014	Inspection of Master schedules at each school to
compliance with Process Standard 33 because schools' master schedule	instruction per week and 45 minutes of health instruction per	Health textbooks for 7-8 grades	Coordinator and teachers		ensure 150 minutes of activity-based instruction and 45 minutes of Health

does not include health.	week.		instruction is provided
Lesson plans for health	I .	Supplemental Health	
were not available upon	Indicate P.E. and	instructional	Submitted lesson plans
request	Health on Schools'	material	showing P.E. and Health
	master schedules.		framework, objectives,
			activities, and assessments
	Provide P.E.		
	framework and Health		Check each responsible
	framework to teachers		teacher instructional binder
			to ensure that Health and
	Require weekly lesson		P.E. framework are
	plans in P.E. and		available for teacher use.
	Health.		

22. Standard 37: Each school has a current School Safety Plan on file that has been approved by the local school board. MS Code 37-3-83 (2)

Deficiencies	Strategies/Plan for Correction	Resources	Person(s) Responsible	Implementation Timelines	Evaluation Criteria
The district is not in compliance with Standards 37 and 37.1 regarding school safety requirements.	The district has developed a District School Safety Plan and approved by the school board		School Safety Coordinator	February 2013 to October 2013	Inspection of School Safety Plan Annual Review of Safety Plan * MDE Team Leader, Debbie Childers, recommended clearance on October 16, 2013