

**OFFICE OF QUALITY PROFESSIONALS AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Items**  
**March 20-21, 2014**

**OFFICE OF THE MISSISSIPPI TEACHER CENTER**

13. Approval of critical shortage subject areas and geographical regions as defined by the Mississippi Legislature for the following programs: Federal Stafford Program, Federal Perkins Loan, Paul C. Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program, Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program, Critical Needs Teacher Scholarship Program, and the William Winter Teacher Scholar Loan Program

Background Information:

Annually, the State Board of Education designates critical shortage subject areas and geographical regions. These designations enable participants to receive loan forgiveness or pay back service in designated shortage areas under the Critical Needs Teacher Scholarship Program and the William Winter Teacher Scholar Loan Program.

In addition, the designations enable participants to qualify for deferment of loan repayments under the Federal Stafford Program, to qualify for loan cancellation under the Federal Perkins Loan, reduces recipients teaching obligation under the Paul C. Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program and enables recipients to fulfill their teaching obligation under the TEACH Grant Program.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

## Mississippi Critical Subject Shortage Areas

Biology  
Chemistry  
French  
German

Mathematics  
Physics  
Spanish  
Special Education

## Geographic Shortage Areas by School District

Benoit School District	Leflore County School District
Canton Public School District	Leland School District
Carroll County School District	Marshall County School District
Claiborne County School District	Montgomery County School District
Clarksdale School District	Mound Bayou School District
Cleveland School District	Natchez-Adams School District
Coahoma County School District	North Bolivar School District
Coahoma County Agricultural High School	North Panola School District
Copiah County School District	Noxubee County School District
Durant Public School District	Quitman County School District
East Jasper School District	Shaw School District
East Tallahatchie School District	South Delta School District
Greene County School District	South Pike School District
Greenville Public School District	Sunflower County School District
Greenwood School District	Tate County School District
Hazlehurst City School District	Tunica County School District
Hinds County Agricultural High School	West Bolivar School District
Hollandale School District	West Jasper School District
Holly Springs School District	West Tallahatchie School District
Holmes County School District	Western Line School District
Humphreys County School District	Wilkinson County School District
Indianola School District	Yazoo City School District
Jefferson County School District	Yazoo County School District
Kemper County School District	