

OFFICE OF CHIEF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
July 23, 2014

OFFICE OF SCHOOL RECOVERY

07. Approval to award grant dollars in support of local improvement efforts for the persistently lowest-achieving schools in the State as authorized under Section 1003(g) of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965*

Purpose: The purpose of the school improvement program is to provide school improvement funds to local educational agencies (LEAs) reserved under Section 1003(g) of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965* (ESEA) for the purpose of allocating adequate resources to schools and districts with the greatest need and those that exhibit the strongest commitment to substantially raising student achievement in the persistently lowest-achieving schools in the state.

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: July 18, 2014 – September 30, 2017
- Award Amount: \$ 11,244,537.25
- Method of Award: Competitive Applications

Funding Source: Federal

Summary of Selection Process:

Methodology Approved	February 18, 2011
Technical Assistance Meeting for Potential Grantees	January 30, 2014
Issuance of Application	January 24, 2014
Intent to Submit Application Form Due	January 14, 2014
Applications Due	March 7, 2014
Evaluation of Applications	March 29, 2014 – April 4, 2014
Additional Technical Assistance and Evaluation Feedback	April 11, 2014
Revised Applications Due	April 24, 2014
Evaluation of Applications	April 25, 2014 – May 16, 2014
Interviews	May 20, 2014

<u>Scoring Criteria:</u>	<u>Maximum Points</u>
LEA Plan Overview:	48 points
School Proposal:	
Turnaround	221 points
Transformation	239 points
Closure	58 points
Budget:	28 points

Interview:

LEAs must earn 60% of the points in each of the three parts in order to advance to the interview round. Districts that demonstrate in the interview that they have the capacity and commitment to successfully meet the grant requirements will be recommended for funding.

Criteria for Continuation Grant: Grantees must complete a continuation application. MDE will make grant renewal decisions for each school based on whether the school has met its annual performance targets. MDE may grant exceptions to this rule only if highly unusual, extenuating circumstances occur, such as a natural disaster in the course of a school year.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS 1003(g)						
District	School	Award Amount FY15	Award Amount FY16	Award Amount FY17	Total Award Amount	Transformation Model
Claiborne County School District	Port Gibson Middle School	\$1,183,343.40	\$867,785.16	\$578,523.45	\$2,629,652.01	Transformation
Cleveland School District	D. M. Smith Middle School	\$783,544.02	\$574,598.95	\$383,065.96	\$1,741,208.93	Transformation
Coahoma AHS	Coahoma AHS	\$768,365.42	\$563,467.97	\$375,645.31	\$1,707,478.70	Turnaround
Humphreys County School District	O. M. McNair Elementary School	\$831,702.11	\$678,394.11	\$588,394.11	\$2,098,490.33	Transformation
Jefferson County School District	Jefferson Upper Elementary School	\$450,289.56	\$338,489.56	\$338,289.56	\$1,127,068.68	Transformation
Sunflower County Consolidated School District	A.W. James Elementary School	\$873,287.37	\$640,410.74	\$426,940.49	\$1,940,638.60	Transformation
TOTALS		\$4,890,531.88	\$3,663,146.49	\$2,690,858.88	\$11,244,537.25	Transformation

Prioritization

MDE will apply the following criteria:

- Schools designated as “F” under the state accountability system in LEAs designated as “F” under the state accountability system
- Schools designated as “F” under the state accountability system in LEAs not designated as “F” under the state accountability system
- All schools in LEAs designated as “F” under the state accountability system

SIG Cohort III Schools 3 Year Performance History

Claiborne County School District

Accountability Component	School Year	Port Gibson Middle
Performance Classification	2011	High Performing
	2012	F –Low Performing
	2013	F
Growth	2011	Met
	2012	Not Met
	2013	Not Met

Cleveland School District

Accountability Component	School Year	D M Smith Middle
Performance Classification	2011	Low Performing
	2012	F – Low Performing
	2013	F
Growth	2011	Not Met
	2012	Not Met
	2013	Not Met

Coahoma AHS

Accountability Component	School Year	Coahoma AHS
Performance Classification	2011	Low Performing
	2012	F – Low Performing
	2013	F
Growth	2011	Not Met
	2012	Not Met
	2013	Not Met
Graduation Rates (5-Year)	2011	69.6
	2012	64.9
	2013	68.1

Humphreys County School District

Accountability Component	School Year	O. M. McNair Elementary
Performance Classification	2011	Successful
	2012	F – Low Performing
	2013	F
Growth	2011	Met
	2012	Not Met
	2013	Not Met

Jefferson County School District

Accountability Component	School Year	Jefferson Upper Elementary
Performance Classification	2011	Successful
	2012	F - Failing
	2013	F
Growth	2011	Met
	2012	Not Met
	2013	Not Met

Sunflower County Consolidated School District

Accountability Component	School Year	A. W. James Elementary
Performance Classification	2011	Failing
	2012	F - Failing
	2013	F
Growth	2011	Not Met
	2012	Not Met
	2013	Not Met