

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**June 16, 2016**

**OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AND READING**

13. Action: Award continuation grants to Early Learning Collaborative Councils to support pre-kindergarten programs [Goal 3 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Purpose: The purpose of the Early Learning Collaborative grant is to provide funding to Early Learning Collaborative Councils for the purpose of supporting and facilitating the implementation of voluntary pre-kindergarten (Pre-K) programs as specified in the Early Learning Collaborative Act of 2013. An early learning collaborative is a district or county-wide council comprised, at a minimum, of a public school district and/or a local Head Start affiliate (if available), private or parochial schools, or one or more licensed child care providers. Early Learning Collaboratives are permitted to use state funds to administer, implement, monitor, and evaluate Pre-K programs to improve the quality of educational experiences offered to four-year-old children and/or to extend developmentally appropriate educational programs and services.

In accordance with the Early Learning Collaborative Act, once an early learning collaborative's plan is approved and funded, the collaborative and/or its prekindergarten providers shall receive funds on an ongoing basis unless the collaborative and/or its prekindergarten providers no longer meet the criteria to participate in the program.

Scope of Grant:

- Grant Period: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019
- Award Amount: \$ 8,838,337
- Method of Award: Continuation Application

Funding Source: State funds

Backup material attached

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  
**Office of Elementary Education and Reading**  
**FY2017 Early Learning Collaborative Continuation Grants**

<b>Collaborative Council</b>	<b>Maximum Amount Awarded</b>	<b>Maximum Amount Awarded</b>	<b>Maximum Amount Awarded</b>
	<b>July 2016 to June 2017</b>	<b>July 2017 to June 2018</b>	<b>July 2018 to June 2019</b>
Clarke County Early Learning Partnership	\$172,000	\$172,000	\$172,000
Coahoma County Pre-K Collaborative Initiative	\$327,554	\$327,554	\$327,554
Corinth-Alcorn Prentiss Early Learning Collaborative	\$519,225	\$519,225	\$519,225
Lamar County Early Learning Collaborative	\$215,000	\$215,000	\$215,000
McComb Community Collaborative for Early Learning Success	\$462,250	\$462,250	\$462,250
Monroe Early Learning Collaborative	\$427,850	\$427,850	\$464,400
Petal Early Learning Collaborative	\$107,000	\$107,000	\$107,000
Picayune School District	\$43,000	\$43,000	\$43,000
Sunflower County Early Learning Collaborative	\$316,050	\$316,050	\$316,050
Tallahatchie Early Learning Alliance	\$344,000	\$344,000	\$344,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,933,929</b>	<b>\$2,933,929</b>	<b>\$2,970,479</b>

*\*The Mississippi Department of Education reserves the right to negotiate grant award amounts dependent upon legislative appropriations. Grant awards will not exceed the above amounts.*