

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
January 18, 2018

OFFICE OF TEACHING AND LEADING

- H. Establish criteria for a Discontinued Test and/or Adjusted Score Policy for Mississippi-approved assessments in the Mississippi Educator Licensure Assessment Program as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process without public comment)

Background Information: On November 3, 2017, the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development granted approval to establish criteria for the Discontinued Test/Adjusted Score Policy.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

Mississippi Department of Education Discontinued Test and/or Adjusted Score Policy

Discontinued Test/Adjusted Score Policy

Effective September 1 of the year that a new version of a Mississippi-approved assessment in the Mississippi Educator Licensure Assessment Program (MELAP) is implemented, passing scores from the most recently discontinued version of the assessment will be accepted for up to two (2) years from the date the assessment was discontinued. The most recently discontinued version of the assessment shall have been taken and passed on or before August 31 of the year the new version is implemented. An applicant for Mississippi educator licensure shall successfully complete current requirements of the MELAP if official test score results are no longer valid and reportable to the Mississippi Department of Education.

The chart below serves as an illustration of the assessment implementation process for a Mississippi-approved educator licensure assessment that is currently affected by the discontinued test policy. Official score reports shall be received in the Office of Educator Licensure via electronic score transmission directly from the administering testing company as applicable.

New Test Code & Test Name	Required Score for New Test	New Test & Test Score Effective Date	Discontinued Test Code & Test Name	Required Score for Discontinued Test	Final Test Administration Date by Which Discontinued Test & Score Accepted	Expiration Date for Acceptance Discontinued Test & Score
0633 Braille Proficiency	165	9/1/2017	0631	158	8/31/2017	8/31/2019