OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items April 18, 2024

OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

03.B. Action: Modify grants for the State Invested Pre-Kindergarten (SIP) Program
Cohort I to support pre-kindergarten with increased funding to serve additional
children [Goal 3 – MBE Strategic Plan]

<u>Background and Purpose</u>: The six State Invested Pre-Kindergarten programs (SIP) Cohort I have increased the number of classrooms they are serving; therefore, are needing to increase their funding to support these additional classrooms based on the need in the community.

A total of \$4,175,000 will be distributed amongst the six existing State Invested Pre-K programs to increase the number of classrooms for years two (2) and three (3) and shall be contingent upon the successful completion of services from the preceding fiscal year's grant and the availability of funds.

Scope of Grant:

• Term of Current Grant: November 14, 2022 – June 30, 2025

(with a liquidation of July 12, 2025)

Cost of Current Grant: \$ 8,100,000

Modification Increase: \$ 4,175,000

Total Cost of Modified Grant: \$12,275,000

Method of Award: Request for Application

Funding Source: State funds

This item references Goal 3 of the Mississippi Board of Education Strategic Plan.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Office of Early Childhood Education FY2024 State Invested Pre-Kindergarten Modified Grants Cohort I

State Invested Pre-K Program Cohort I	Amount of Current Award	Modified Amount Awarded	Total Amount Awarded
Bay Waveland – St. Louis	\$1,800,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 2,000,000
Jefferson Davis County	\$ 600,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 800,000
Smith County School District	\$1,500,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 1,750,000
Tupelo	\$ 300,000	*\$1,525,000	\$ 1,825,000
Union County	\$ 600,000	\$1,000,000	\$ 1,600,000
Vicksburg Warren	\$3,300,000	\$1,000,000	\$ 4,300,000
Total	\$8,100,000	\$4,175,000	\$12,275,000

^{*}Tupelo will dual enroll all classrooms beginning in the 2024-2025 school year where they did not previously dual enroll the one classroom in the 2023-2024 school year; thus creating the difference in the funding rate per classroom which is \$125,000. We are adding \$25,000 for the one classroom initially funded for the last year of the grant 2024-2025 school year due to the program dual enrolling students with Head Start. The added six classrooms will be funded at the dual enrollment rate of \$125,000.

The Mississippi Department of Education reserves the right to negotiate grant award amounts dependent upon legislative appropriations.