

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
September 20, 2018

OFFICE OF ACCREDITATION

E. Approval of accredited nonpublic status for Crossroads School of Flowood

Background Information: On September 14, 2017, the Mississippi State Board of Education (SBE) granted Crossroads School of Flowood temporary nonpublic accreditation status as a satellite school based on Accreditation Policy 2.3 of the *Mississippi Nonpublic School Accountability Standards, 2018*. Crossroads School of Flowood is seeking permanent nonpublic accreditation status as the temporary accreditation will expire.

Based on nonpublic school Accreditation Policy 2.3, an accredited temporary status may be assigned to a satellite school established by the governing body of an accredited nonpublic school currently on record with the SBE.

Brentwood Acquisitions, Inc., in Flowood has opened the Crossroads School of Flowood as an individualized educational, behavioral, and treatment program for students ages 12-21 who often display either emotional and/or behavioral difficulties in school and/or at home. Students at Crossroads School of Flowood are placed by local public-school districts that do not have appropriate services for these students and may be placed by the Department of Human Services. Students receive specialized programs addressing their academic needs, which is aligned with the Mississippi College- and Career- Readiness Standards to prepare students to successfully return to their local schools.

Crossroads School of Flowood is staffed with a full-time principal, two (2) full-time special education teachers, six (6) mental health technicians, one (1) nurse, one (1) social worker, and one (1) licensed therapist. Currently 14 students are enrolled. The school has a collaborative agreement with the Rankin County School District and the Pearl Public School District.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None