

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER**  
**Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**December 17, 2020**

**OFFICE OF TEACHING AND LEADING**

03.C. Action: Modify grant awards to three (3) Institutions of Higher Educations (IHEs) for the Mississippi Teacher Residency Program (MTRP) [Goal 4 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Background and Purpose: The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) awarded grants to establish teacher residency programs in Mississippi for the purpose of addressing the shortage of diverse and effective teachers in schools. The grant enables the MDE to provide funds for collaboration between IHEs and school district partners to develop undergraduate and graduate teacher residency programs.

Through the W. K. Kellogg Human Capital Highways Grant, the Mississippi Teacher Residency Program (MTRP) is a cutting-edge effort to increase new teacher diversity and effectiveness as the nation’s first state-led teacher residency. Given the MTRP’s unprecedented nature, a year of financial data has generated important insights for Mississippi Teacher Resident’s (MTR’s) average cost per fellow in its first year of implementation. Additional funding is based on IHE’s average tuition cost, and number of participants, as subject to available funds. This total grant award may be subject to a contingency increase, as needed through the grant period ending June 30, 2022.

Scope of Grant:

- Term of Current Grant: July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2022  
(with a liquidation period ending July 12, 2022)
- Cost of Current Grant: \$1,798,383
- Modification Increase: \$ 350,000
- Total Cost of Modified Grant: \$2,148,383
- Method of Award: Discretionary

Funding Source: Other (W.K. Kellogg)

This item references Goal 4 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018 – 2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

### Grantee Awards for Mississippi Teacher Residency Program

District/Organization	Initial Award	Modified Amount	Total Grant Award
Delta State University	\$599,994	\$116,133	\$716,127
Mississippi State University – Meridian	\$598,389	\$117,738	\$716,127
William Carey University	\$600,000	\$116,129	\$716,129
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,798,383</b>	<b>\$350,000</b>	<b>\$2,148,383</b>

*The Mississippi Department of Education reserves the right to negotiate grant award amounts depending upon MS State Legislature Appropriation. Grant awards will not exceed the above amounts.*