

AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

Day 1 Wednesday, June 5, 2024

7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration/Check-in

8 a.m.-4 p.m. Exhibitor Hall Hours (Door Prizes: 8:30 a.m.)

9:00 -10:30 a.m. Opening Session – Hall C

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Mr. Warren Woodrow, Executive Director of S-RESA

Dr. Trenton Gould, Dean, College of Education and Human Sciences, The University of Southern Mississippi 

Sam Glenn, Keynote Speaker

10:30-11 a.m. Break (Door Prizes: 10:45 a.m. Exhibitor Hall)

11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Lunch

12:30 p.m. Concurrent Session I

Room D1 Rhythms of Resilience: Empowering Education with Dance for ELA, SEL, and Anxiety Coping in K-12
Erin Mulligan, Mississippi Whole Schools

Room D2 Mind Full or Mindful? The Value of Relationships 
Donielle Stephens and Andrea Krell, The University of Southern Mississippi

Room D3 New Year – New Brainspring!
Esther Moreau, Brainspring – Phonics First

Room D4 Britannica Fundamentals for Pre-K to 3rd Grade: Free Resources from MAGNOLIA
Kristen Hillman, Mississippi Library Commission

Room D5 Integrating Literacy Skills into All Subject Areas
Romeka Mack, Mississippi Achievement School District

Room D6 Be Your Best at Teaching Computer Science
Paul Anderson, Jones County School District

Room D7 Engaging and Impacting All Student Learners
Limeul Eubanks and Stacy Howell, Mississippi Department of Education

Room D8 Enhancing PLCs with UDL: A Strategic Approach to Inclusive Learning 
Paige Davis and LaShana Middleton, REACH MS – The University of Southern Mississippi

Room D9 Interactive Literacy Centers in the Secondary Classroom
Carva King and Caroline Turcotte, The Literacy Lady

Room D10 Taking Full Advantage of the Forgotten 12: Best Practices for the Teaching of Writing in All Subject Areas
Kay Whitworth, Performance Based Education Company

Room D11 The Next Era of Writing Feedback
Rachel Wooten and Shameka Ware, Kids First Education

Room D12 What's Listening Have to Do With It?
Ashley Boyd and Gerry Long, CPM Educational Program

Room B1 Building Oral Language and Literacy Skills in Young Children
Teresa Laney, The Mississippi Department of Education

Room B2 CER: Are you CERtain Your Students Understanding the Data?
Stacey O'Connor, STEMscopes, Accelerate Learning, Inc.

Room A1 Teaching to the Edges: Empowering Every Student
Patti Permenter and Kim Benton, William Carey University

- Room A2** **Don't Burnout, The World Needs Your Light**
Willburn Smith and Natasha Johnson, GreenTree Educational Solutions
- Room A3** **Literacy Triage: What About the Students Who Miss The Science of Reading?**
Allison Ward and Dr. Shannon Eldridge, Reading Horizons
- Room A4** **Debunking Comprehension Myths**
Melissa Beck, Shakita Bagwell – Jackson, and Lydia Aderholt, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A5** **PERS 101**
Centron Lenoir, Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS)
- Room A6** **Understanding Autism in the Inclusive Classroom**
Denise Harrison, Mississippi Department of Education

1:45-2:15 p.m. Break (Door Prizes: 2 p.m.) - Exhibitor Hall

2:15 p.m. Concurrent Session II

- Room D1** **Magic of Math through Arts Integration**
Morgan Bergeron, Mississippi Whole School
- Room D2** **Cares School of Canopy**
Krystal Zehentner, Cares School of Canopy
- Room D3** **New Year – New Brainspring!**
Esther Moreau, Brainspring – Phonics First
- Room D4** **Free ACT/SAT Prep Resources from Magnolia**
Kristen Hillman, Mississippi Library Commission
- Room D5** **Education of the Whole Child: Building and Fostering a Culture for Student Success**
Marquita Robertson and Najhawan Billingsley, Mississippi Achievement School District
- Room D6** **Dive Into Digital: Empowering Educators & Transforming Learning**
Danielle Little and Harley Gonzales, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room D7** **Impact of CTE on Adolescents Literacy in the Mississippi Delta**
Shawana Powell and Samuel Matthews, Jr., Mississippi Achievement School District
- Room D8** **UDL and the Reluctant Learner: Strategies for Creating Expert Learners** 🦅
LaShana Middleton and Paige Davis, REACH MS – The University of Southern Mississippi
- Room D9** **Cultivating Science Literacy: Strategies for Comprehension**
Megan Hodge, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room D10** **Creating Life – Long Learners Through the School Library** 🦅
Catharine Bomhold, The University of Southern Mississippi
- Room D11** **K-6 ELA Teachers, Elementary Administrators, Interventionists, and MTSS Directors**
Natalie Breithaupt and Gidget Morton, Kids First Education
- Room D12** **Patterns with a Purpose: Using Multiple Representations to Make Connections in Algebra**
Ashley Boyd and Gerry Long, CPM Educational Program
- Room B1** **Unlearning Old Beliefs About Assessment**
Makeasha Hardy, Greenville Public School District
- Room B2** **Developing and Using Specific Models in the Science Classroom**
Stacey O'Connor, STEMscopes, Accelerate Learning, Inc.
- Room A1** **Brining JOY to the Classroom – It Doesn't Have to Be Awful!**
Dr. Cassandra Weiss and Dr. Alex Arnold
- Room A2** **From Distractions to Connection: Teachers Reclaiming the Center State of Middle School Classrooms**
Natasha Johnson and Wilburn Smith, GreenTree Educational Solutions
- Room A3** **The Reading Rope in Action**
Ann Marie Carlyle and Elizabeth Hadaway, The Mississippi Department of Education

Room A4 **Structured Literacy vs. Balance Literacy**

Missaha Thompson and Molly Henderson, The Mississippi Department of Education

Room A5 **Mississippi Deferred Compensation**

Rich Massingill and Craig Finn, Mississippi Deferred Compensation

Room A6 **Understanding Autism in the Inclusive Classroom**

Denise Harrison, The Mississippi Department of Education

3:30-4 p.m. **Door Prizes: 3:45 p.m. - Exhibitor Hall**

Day 2 Thursday, June 6, 2024

7:30 a.m.-Noon **Late Registration/Check-in**

8 a.m.-4 p.m. **Exhibitor Hall Hours (Door Prizes: 8:30 a.m.)**

9-10 a.m. Keynote Speaker – Hall C

Keynote Speaker

Dr. Joe Paul, President of The University of Southern Mississippi

10:15 a.m. Concurrent Session III

Room D1 **Parent Communication: Our Overlooked Stakeholders**

Gregory Eric Kelley, West Memphis School District

Room D2 **Teaching Students Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing**

Ashten Yost, Mississippi State Department of Health

Room D3 **Making the Connections Between ACT/WorkKeys and Student Success!**

Rod Martin, Rob McCreary, Sha Walker, and Gina Morgigno, Jumpstart Test Prep

Room D4 **Elementary Principal Knowledge and Beliefs Matter for Dyslexia** 

Missy Schraeder, The University of Southern Mississippi DuBard School for Language Disorder

Room D5 **Accountability for All: Maximizing the Impact of MAAP-A on School and District Accountability**

Louvonica Ricks and Tracy Woods, Mississippi Achievement School District

Room D6 **Building Positive Relationships for Student Success**

LaCourtney Landfair and Donna Thomas, Ida Greene Elementary School

Room D7 **Oh El Oh Gee Why, Yes, It's Critical for Skilled Reading**

Amanda Malone and Jennifer West, The Mississippi Department of Education

Room D8 **CTE Lesson Planning: Preparing for an Authentic Learning Experience**

Artrice Morris, Thomas C. Randle Carrer, and Technical Center

Room D9 **Establishing and Maintaining a Positive School Culture and Climate** 

Sydney Wise, REACH MS – The University of Southern Mississippi

Room D10 **Embracing the Future: AI in Education**

Chris Chism, Mississippi Professional Educators

Room D11 **Make Math Matter: Unleashing Digital Tools in K-5 Classrooms**

Alicia Verweij, Mississippi Educator

Room D12 **CYA: Cover Your Assets**

Ashley Boyd, CPM Educational Benefits

Room B1 **National Trends in Gifted Education**

Heather Houston, The University of Southern Mississippi / The Frances A. Karnes Center for Gifted Studies 

Room B2 **Mathematical Problem Solving for ALL Students**


Stacey O'Connor, STEMscopes, Accelerate Learning, Inc.

- Room A1** **Explicit Instruction**
Christy Hunt, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A2** **Beyond the Classroom: Harnessing the Power of Parental Involvement**
Ashley Green and Natasha Johnson, GreenTree Educational Solutions
- Room A3** **Facilitating Meaningful Mathematical Discourse**
Sara Scales and Joann Washington, Catapult Learning
- Room A4** **Multi – Tiered Systems of Supports: Supporting ALL Learners**
Michelle McClain and Matt Sherriff, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A5** **Provide Scaffolding Supported by the Science of Reading for Students with Disabilities**
Kenny Gibson, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A6** **Move to Learn – Let’s MOVE to Learn**
Coach Larry Calhoun and Kayleigh Hudson, Bower Foundation

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Lunch (Door Prizes: 11:45 a.m.) – Exhibitor Hall

1 p.m. Concurrent Session IV

- Room D1** **Children of Single Parents: Our Overlooked Stakeholders**
Gregory Eric Kelley, West Memphis School District
- Room D2** **Classroom Management for Students with Disabilities**
Dr. Aly Knight Neelis, Poplarville School District
- Room D3** **School Safety in an Unsettled World**
Joel Lofton, Walthall County School District / Carrer Technical Center
- Room D4** **Elementary Principal Knowledge and Beliefs Matter for Dyslexia** 🦅
Missy Schraeder, The University of Southern Mississippi DuBard School for Language Disorder
- Room D5** **No More Tears: Writing Strategies for K-2 Teachers**
Tijuana Thompson and Kimberly Jones, McCoy Elementary School
- Room D6** **Covering All Bases with i-Ready**
Kiana Pendleton, Curriculum Associates
- Room D7** **Tiered Teaching: Student Centered, Teacher Driven**
Hilary Norwood and Connor Gray, Renaissance Learning
- Room D8** **Don’t Hulk Out! Implementing SEL and Addressing Behavior in the Classroom**
Sarieta Pollard, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room D9** **Establishing and Maintaining a Positive School Culture and Climate** 🦅
Sydney Wise, REACH MS – The University of Southern Mississippi
- Room D10** **Read & Write: Tech Tools to Support EL Student Across Contents**
Haylee Lucas and Alden Johnson, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room D11** **Tech – Transformed Teaching: Drones, Rovers, and Tomorrow’s Skills**
Alicia Verweij, Mississippi Educator
- Room D12** **Elevating Students Status with Rough Draft Talk**
Gerry Long and Ashley Boyd, CPM Educational Program
- Room B1** **Elevating Students Status with Rough Draft Talk**
Gerry Long and Ashley Boyd, CPM Educational Program
- Room B2** **Math Talks: Promoting Dialogue in the Math Classroom**
Stacey O’Connor, STEMscopes – Accelerate Learning, Inc.
- Room A1** **Bark to School: Unleashing the Power of Therapy Dogs**
Allison Temple, Laurel School District

- Room A2 **Education Under Construction**
Frank McGriggs Jr., GreenTree Educational Solutions
- Room A3 **Leading Problem – Solving Workshops**
Sara Scales and Joann Washington, Catapult Learning
- Room A4 **Connection Matters: Strengthening School Climate with International Teacher – Student Relationship**
Lourdes Rodriguez, Zachary Labrot, Amarah Sweaks, and Jessica McKay, The University of Southern Mississippi 
- Room A5 **Decoding the Science of Reading: Jedi Mind Training**
Zachary Williams and Mackenzie Allred
- Room A6 **Move to Learn – Let’s MOVE to Learn**
Coach Larry Calhoun and Kayleigh Hudson, Bower Foundation

2:30 p.m. Concurrent Session V

- Room D1 **National Board Certification with USM’s World Class Teacher Program**
Lee Mason, The University of Southern Mississippi: World Class Teacher Program 
- Room D2 **Classroom Management for Students with Disabilities**
Dr. Aly Knight Neelis, Poplarville School District
- Room D3 **One Click Away from Classroom Improvement**
Jennifer Williams, Cleveland Carrer Development & Technology Center
- Room D4 **Hedging Around Youth Transitional Camp**
Dorothy Bell-Hamilton, East Jasper School District
- Room D5 **Let’s Right Our Writing! A Writing Success Plan for Struggling Readers**
Carmella Scott, Mississippi Achievement School District
- Room D6 **Shifting the Atmosphere: A Methodical Approach To Using Music To Improve Your School**
Gary McCullum, Hattiesburg Public School District
- Room D7 **Student Work Speaks: A Cross – Curricular Approach to Using Student Work**
Cynthia Mumford, Bailey Education Group
- Room D8 **Are You A.L.L. I.N.? Aligning Learning to Leverage Instructional Needs**
Rufus Hill and Kanequa Willis, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room D9 **Achieving Success in All Subgroups with Tools Like AI**
Dr. Mina Ross Bryan – Lightsey and Ms. Laurie Brewer, Excellence Group
- Room D10 **New Country, New Language, Now What? AI Support for EL Teachers**
Alden Johnson and Haylee Lucas, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room D11 **Illuminate, Animate, Innovate: No – Code STEAM Projects**
Alicia Verweij, Mississippi Educator
- Room D12 **Mississippi Standards – Based Instruction Made Easy with IXL**
Justin Tolbert, IXL Learning
- Room B1 **“Of Course I Look Happy, I Work At A School”: Emotional Labor is Real**
Patricia Martin, The University of Southern Mississippi / Dubard School for Language Disorder 
- Room B2 **Making Math Real: Application for Life**
Marlena Nance, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A1 **Oral Language Development**
Christine Spell, Bethani Welch, and Valerie Gilbert, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A2 **Making Connections in the Classroom: Relationships, Relevance, and Rigor**
Jalisa Foster, GreenTree Educational Solutions
- Room A3 **Unveiling Complexities: Exploring U.S. Founding Documents and So – Called Hard Topics**
Daaiyah Heard, The Mississippi Department of Education

- Room A4 [Show Me The Science](#)
Kevin Gaylor, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A5 [What's Knowledge Got To Do With It?](#)
Kristen Wynn, Jill Hoda, and Kelli Crain, Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A6 [Reach Out Campaign](#)
Julie Thomasson, ThriveWay


3:45-4:15 p.m. Door Prizes: 4 p.m. - Exhibitor Hall


Day 3 Friday, June 7, 2024

7:30-8:45 a.m. Late Registration/Check-in

8 a.m. Prayer Breakfast – Stan Buckley

9 a.m. Concurrent Session VI

- Room D1 Oral Language: The Hidden Superpower of Early Childhood Literacy
Kristi Kirkwood, George County School District
- Room D2 MAAP Writing: Quality vs Quantity
Javelin Clark, Vicksburg Warren School District
- Room D3 A Fine-Tuned Classroom Equals a Successful Year
Angie Abbey, West Jasper School District
- Room D4 Leading Parents Through the IEP Process
Jeremy Peagler, Brookhaven School District
- Room D5 Developing MTSS Systems for Strong Implementation
Nicole Dobbins and Shalonda Holmes
- Room D6 Exploring the Effectiveness of Distance Learning and Alternative Learning Center
Tommy Molden and Silver Allen, Mississippi Achievement School District
- Room D7 Cross Curricular Instructional Practices in CTE Programs
Yolanda Strong and Dale O'Banner, Larry Summer Carrer and Technical Center
- Room D8 Every Teacher is a Literacy Teacher: Cross-Curricular Strategies
Carl Woodson and Kimberly Williams, McCoy Elementary
- Room D9 Moving Forward to Success with PBIS
Tulawna Blecher, Lakecia Martin, and Dewey Shaifer, Woolfolk Middle School
- Room D10 "Reimagining Education: Navigating the New Normal Post - COVID"
Rex Houston and Dr. LaShana Middleton, North Panola School District
- Room D11 Digital Citizenship in an AI World
Tara Poolson, Pearl River County School District
- Room D12 Revitalizing Educators: Unveiling the Power of Cognitive Behavior Therapy
Blair Crigler and Stephen Crigler, George County Middle School
- Room B1 Bridging Divides: Fostering Cultural Understanding in Education Through Service – Learning
Tiffany Ridgeway and Jo Hawkins – Jones, The University of Southern Mississippi 
- Room B2 Diagnosis of Dyslexia for Educators
Sandra Elliot and Limeul Eubanks

- Room A1 Promoting Student and Teacher Mental Health: Empowering Educators for Support and Self - Care
Mikaela Anderson and Amarah Sweaks, The University of Southern Mississippi 
- Room A2 Breaking Generational Cycles of Math Trauma by Building Mathematical Mindsets
Kimberly Price, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A3 Behavior Strategies for THAT Student
Melanie Wells, Educator
- Room A4 DIVE into the FIVE: It's All FUN-damental From Here!
Marlena Walker – Bolls and La'Toya Jackson, Vicksburg Warren School District
- Room A5 Special Education Transition Planning: The Earlier the Better!
Brooke Shoup, Tupelo Public School District – Special Education
- Room A6 Engagement Dupes
Melonie Goolsby, Southaven Intermediate School

10:15-10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Concurrent Session VII

- Room D1 Cultivating the Reading Experience Readiness Garden through Oral Language Experiences
Kristi Kirkwood, George County School District
- Room D2 Inclusion – Running the Race / Playing the Game
Jennifer Fortenberry and Lee McGee, Neshoba Central Elementary School
- Room D3 Deescalating Classroom Disruptions
Furlinda Travis, Smith County School District
- Room D4 Becoming a Reading Scientist
Dr. Kathleen Canavin and Courtney Hollins, Laurel School District
- Room D5 Daily Doses of Data Rx: TRACK, INTERVENE, ASSESS, SUPPORT, COLLABORATIVE, MONITOR
Paidra Chinn and Ashlee Pitts, Mississippi Achievement School District
- Room D6 Managing the General Education and Special Education Classroom K-12
Jennifer Felton, Newton County School District
- Room D7 Instructional Discourse: A Protocol to Support Productive Dialogue During Instruction
LaMarlon Wilson, Humphreys County School District
- Room D8 Promoting Equity: Upholding the Rights of Students with Disabilities
Erin Hendricks, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room D9 Child Find: Check and Balances
Stacy Davis, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room D10 Classroom Management: Reclaiming Your Classroom Post Pandemic
Rex Houston, North Panola School District
- Room D11 Effective Practices for Social Studies Instruction
Shenicki Cook Davis and Feneiker McBride, Jefferson County High School
- Room D12 Mindful Teaching – Nurturing Educator's Wellbeing 
Brittany Garza and Lourdes Rodriquez, The University of Southern Mississippi
- Room B1 Doing What Works: Test Taking Strategies for the Secondary ELA Classroom
Yakeidra Belle, Jefferson County School District
- Room B2 Supporting English Learners: An Administrator's Guide
Sandra Elliot, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A1 Beyond the Books: Enhancing School Climate Through Strategies for Increasing Student Academic Engagement
Amarah Sweaks and Mikaela Anderson, The University of Southern Mississippi 

- Room A2 Using Scaffolding to Promote Mathematical Success
Kandra Wilkins, The Mississippi Department of Education
- Room A3 MTSS – A Beginner’s Look
Marsha Hodges, Leake Central High School
- Room A4 Is the Vision Clear?...Zooming into a Portrait of a Graduate
La’Tonya Jackson and Marlena Bolls, Vicksburg Warren School District / Curriculum & Instruction
- Room A5 Sweet Treats Through i-Ready: Building Relationships in Middle School While Increasing Data
Dr. Janie Brown, Laurel School District
- Room A6 So, You Think You’re a Four: A Teacher’s Guide Through The Professional Growth Rubric
Chander Jenkins and Jasmine Jackson, South Pike School District

11:45 a.m.-12:25 p.m. Closing Keynote and Door Prizes – Hall C

Keynote Speaker

TBD, Teacher of the Year

Warren Woodrow, S-RESA Executive Director – Final Door Prizes

12:25-12:45 p.m. Turn in Attendance Cards at the Check-in Desk

