
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GROSS
FROM: RILEY
SUBJECT: REQUEST FROM DR. JEANNE MIDDLETON-HAIRSTON FOR GOVERNOR TO PROCLAIM
JUNE 17 "DAY OF THE PRINCIPAL" IN HONOR OF MILLSAPS COLLEGE PRINCIPALS'
INSTITUTE'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY
DATE 5/7/03
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Dr. Jeanne Middleton-Hairston, one of the Governor's appointees to SREB, has forwarded me information regarding the Millsaps College Principals' Institute. The Institute will be celebrating its 10th anniversary on June 17, 2003. The Institute would like the Governor to proclaim that day "The Day of the Principal." The following is background info for you in drawing up the proclamation.

The Institute was founded in 1992 after 5 principals who had attended similar programs at the Harvard Principals' Center approached Millsaps with the idea to start an institute here to improve schools in the region. BellSouth, Mississippi Power and the Hardin Foundation provided charter grants and the Advisory Board, comprised almost entirely of principals, met in December 1992.

The first Summer Institute was held in July 1993 and almost 300 principals/assistant principals have attended since then. The week-long Institute provides personal and professional growth opportunities for principals and assistant principals of public, private and parochial schools. The Institute is a partnership between Millsaps and the K-16 education community to strengthen education in Mississippi. Through collaboration with MDE, participants receive professional development credits.

You can give me the proclamation after it is finished and I'll present it to the Institute on the 17th. Let me know if you need anything else. Thanks!