
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR
FROM: RILEY
SUBJECT: COMMENTS AT GOVERNOR'S SCHOOLS
DATE: 6/27/03
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I served as keynote speaker on your behalf at the closing convocation for the 2003 Governor's School at the MUW this morning. First, let me tell you what an invigorating and refreshing experience it was – the “scholars” were so enthusiastic and so outgoing!

More importantly, I want you to know that I was interrupted with long applause twice during my speech – the first time when I discussed our investing in education first and the second time when I mentioned our being the first state in the nation to have an Internet-accessible computer in every public school classroom (and this applause was started by the students (future voters), not the parents!)

Numerous parents from all of the over state stopped me at the reception afterwards and asked me to please convey to you their appreciation for your commitment to education. One stated that you are definitely changing Mississippi's image for the better.

This morning was another reminder for me of why we have to keep fighting the fight!!

(P.S. – Dr. Seney sent you this Governor's School t-shirt to add to your collection.)