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1. Introductions
2. Education in Mississippi
  - Implementing new assessment and accountability plan
  - Top 5 in country in National Board Certified teachers
  - Funding – concerns of Governor
    - a. HB 776 authorized \$14 million of classroom supply funds for next year
    - b. HB 1609 provided for an \$11.1 million increase to MDE's general program, while HB 1611 made \$17.1 million in cuts to the MDE's Minimum Program budget
    - c. More than 50% of the MAEP for next year is funded with one-time money
    - d. Teachers received a one-time supplement v. the first year of their salary increase
3. What is inhibiting public education in the State of Mississippi? If you were “king for a day” and could fix anything that you considered broken in education, what would you fix?
4. How do we build support for full education funding in Mississippi?