Mississippi's School-to-Careers Partners

Who are We?

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Office of the Governor Department of Education Institutions of Higher Learning Mississippi Development Authority Mississippi Economic Council Mississippi Parent Teacher Association Public Education Forum State Board for Community and Junior Colleges State Workforce Council * Department of Labor, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training

Why are we involved?

• Mississippi's School-to-Careers strategy forges connections among education, workforce development and economic development systems to ensure that Mississippi's citizens become continuous learners.

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• Our focus is on improving K-12 education and its connection with community college education systems, universities, business, and labor to ensure that each student is provided with appropriate educational opportunities to prepare for constructive participation in society, immediate employment, and/or further education.

What is our purpose?

- All students will be expected to gain academic mastery and life-long work skills
- All students will have enhanced career exploration opportunities
- All students will benefit from applied instructional methodology in academic curricula
- Secondary and higher education will better connect with business and industry
- Effective local partnerships will be established in each of the 15 workforce development districts

State Partnership Activities

- Monthly meetings
- Evaluation
- Marketing

State Partnership: Monthly Meetings

- Policy
- State Director's Report
- IHL Report
- Partnership Activities Job Shadowing Feb. 3
- Spring Conference April 23

State Partnership: Evaluation

- Via online reporting through our web page
- Via site visits
- To identify technical assistance needs
- To assess accomplishment of our goals

State Partnership Marketing Activities

- Web site
- Kiosk
- Television and Radio
- Print
- MS GEM

Marketing: Web Site

- <u>www.fastforwardms.com</u>
- career choices & apprenticeships
- post-secondary education
- training opportunities
- financial aid information
- communication with you, our local partners
- average of 68 site visitors/day

Marketing: Kiosk

- State's remote sensing kiosk
- Northpark Mall, Jackson
- In cooperative with the Mississippi Space Commerce Initiative

Marketing: Television and Radio

- Ads started the week of January 8
- Will run for 13 weeks
- Example

Marketing: Print

- Run in statewide dailies and weeklies
- Example

Marketing: MS GEM

• Mississippi Global Education Mobile

• Statewide exposure

Local Partners

- You make it happen THANKS!
- Share your needs with us
- Share your successes with us

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