



**Mississippi Education & Technology Innovation Symposium (METIS)
Jackson Convention Complex, Jackson MS
June 21-23, 2017**

This annual symposium, hosted by the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) Office of Technology and Strategic Services, is open to superintendents, school and district administrators, IT/technical staff and directors, teachers, business managers, school improvement team members, education program managers and anyone with an interest in the importance of quality data to improve student achievement.

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

7:30 AM	4:30 PM	Registration Desk Open	Main Lobby
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	Networking Breakfast and Exhibits	Exhibit Hall A Main Lobby
8:30 AM	9:30 AM	General Session	Exhibit Hall A
8:30 AM	8:35 AM	Welcome Jackson Convention & Visitors Bureau, Floyd Williams	Exhibit Hall A
8:35 AM	8:45 AM	MDE Welcome Dr. Carey Wright, State Superintendent	Exhibit Hall A
8:45 AM	9:30 AM	Keynote Speaker: Dr. John Q. Porter, Chief of Technology and District Transformation Craig P. Orgeron, Ph.D. Executive Director, MS Department of Information Technology	Exhibit Hall A
9:35 AM	10:35 AM	Session Block 1	Floors 1, 2 & 3
10:40 AM	11:40 AM	Session Block 2	Floors 1, 2 & 3
11:45 AM	1:00 PM	Lunch	Exhibit Hall A
12:15 PM	12:45 PM	Luncheon Speaker: Paula Fynboh, National Field Director, Sandy Hook Organization	Exhibit Hall A
1:00 PM	2:00 PM	Session Block 3	Floors 1, 2 & 3
2:05 PM	3:05 PM	Session Block 4	Floors 1, 2 & 3
3:05 PM	3:25 PM	Snack Break and Exhibits	Main Lobby
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Session Block 5	Floors 1, 2 & 3



Thursday, June 22, 2017

7:30 AM	4:30 PM	Registration Desk Open	Main Lobby
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	Networking Breakfast and Exhibits	Exhibit Hall A Main Lobby
8:30 AM	9:30 AM	General Session	Exhibit Hall A
8:30 AM	9:25 AM	Keynote Speaker: Dr. Robert Blaine, Associate Provost and Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs of Tougaloo College	Exhibit Hall A
9:25 AM	9:30 AM	Announcements Deborah Donovan, Director of Data Analysis and Reporting	Exhibit Hall A
9:35 AM	10:35 AM	Session Block 6	Floors 1, 2 & 3
10:40 AM	11:40 AM	Session Block 7	Floors 1, 2 & 3
11:45 AM	1:00 PM	Lunch	Exhibit Hall A
12:15 PM	12:45 PM	Luncheon Speaker: Dr. Domenico "Mimmo" Parisi, Executive Director of NSPARC	Exhibit Hall A
1:00 PM	2:00 PM	Session Block 8	Floors 1, 2 & 3
2:05 PM	3:05 PM	Session Block 9	Floors 1, 2 & 3
3:05 PM	3:25 PM	Snack Break and Exhibits	Main Lobby
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Session Block 10	Floors 1, 2 & 3

Friday, June 23, 2017

7:30 AM	9:30 AM	Registration Desk Open	Main Lobby
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	Networking Breakfast and Exhibits	Exhibit Hall A Main Lobby
8:00 AM	8:25 AM	Awards Presentations Sarita Donaldson, Director of Core School Applications	Exhibit Hall A
8:30 AM	9:30 AM	Session Block 11	Floors 1, 2 & 3
9:35 AM	10:35 AM	Session Block 12	Floors 1, 2 & 3
10:40 AM	11:40 AM	Session Block 13	Floors 1, 2 & 3