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THE MASTER TEACHER OF ECONOMICS PROGRAM

The Master Teachers in Economics (MTE) Program is a certificate program endorsed by the Mississippi Department of Education through which participating teachers raise their demonstrated knowledge of economics on average 40 percent. The program is rigorous and is offered by the Mississippi Council on Economic Education through its affiliated centers at Mississippi State University and the University of Southern Mississippi. Average pre-test scores of Mississippi teachers on a Test of Economic Literacy are 62 percent and post test scores following completion of the MTE average 86 percent.

Since 2004, the Mississippi Council on Economic Education has been engaged with the Mississippi Department of Education in providing teachers with professional development programs that permits them to gain the knowledge of economics and financial education needed to effectively teach the state and national standards in the Kindergarten through Grade 12 curriculum and Advanced Placement Economics. The MTE was launched in 2006 following the decision by the State Board of Education to require a semester course in economics for graduation starting with the class entering high school in fall 2008 and assessment of social studies teachers' knowledge of economics. Through a collaborative partnership with the Mississippi Department of Education and the support of business partners including the Armstrong Foundation, BancorpSouth, the Mississippi Power Foundation, State Farm Insurance, and Trustmark, teachers are succeeding with the Master Teacher of Economics Program as indicated below:

The 75 Mississippi Counties with 357 Master Teachers in Economics in 111 School Districts are as follows:

Adams County

Natchez Adams School District: Fallin Career & Technology Center: Virginia Cowart; Natchez High School: Samuel Kelley and Margaret Beesley

Alcorn County

Alcorn School District: Alcorn Central High: Connie Lambert, Angela Grisham and Rebecca Whittemore; Kossuth Middle School: Debbie Kemp; Alcorn Career & Technology Center: Diane Daughtry and Sherra Potts

Amite County

Amite County School District: Amite County Vocational Center: Tonya Bates

Attala County

Attala County School District: Kosciusko/Attala Vo-Tech: Martha Melissa Rives

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Benton County

Benton County School District: Benton County Vocational Center: Jane Autry;
Hickory Flat Attendance Center: Marcia McCalmon

Bolivar County

Cleveland School District: Cleveland High School: Edwin Norwood; Cleveland
Career Development Center: Lisa Jones

Calhoun County

Calhoun County School District: Vardaman High School: Billy Dill

Carroll County

Carroll County School District: J.Z. George High: Arthur Bailey

Chickasaw County

Houston School District: Houston Vocational Center: Michael "Shane" Presley

Choctaw County

Choctaw County School District: Weir Attendance Center: Nancy Duran
Weir Elementary: Jennie Randle

Clarke County

Quitman County School District: Clarke County Vocational Center: Tammy
Alford; Quitman High School: John Douglass

Clay County

West Point School District: West Point High School: Bruce Mize

Coahoma County

Clarksdale Municipal School District: Clarksdale High: Barbara Boschert; Carl
Keen Vo-Tech: Tanja Grainger
Coahoma Agricultural High School: Julia Shelton

Copiah County

Copiah County School District: Crystal Springs High: Kent Walker;
Hazlehurst City School District: Hazlehurst High School: Joann Kelley

Covington County

Covington County School District: Covington County Vocational Technology
Center: Barbara McNair

Desoto County

Desoto County School District: Olive Branch High: Vicki Morris, Regina Ross
and Clayton Marble; Desoto Central High School: Melinda Hatcher and Sara
Jane Russell;* Horn Lake High School: Michael Satcher and Chris Tice;
Hernando High: James David Spencer

Forrest County

Hattiesburg Public Schools: Hattiesburg High: Dermekca Johns, Tanya
Evans and Kimberly Paola
Forrest County School District: North Forrest High School: Jason Smith
Forrest County Agricultural School District: Forrest County Agricultural
High School: Tiffany Jones

Franklin County

Franklin County School District: Franklin County Career and Technology Center:
Linda Carraway

Greene County

Greene County School District: Greene County Vocational Technology Center:
Dedra Welford

Grenada County

Grenada County School District: Grenada High School: Elizabeth Freeland
Landingham;* Grenada Career and Technology Center: Meg Newcomb

Hancock County

Bay St. Louis Waveland School District: Bay High School: Stacey Walters-
Pate* and Linda Jenkins; Bay Waveland Middle School: Pamela
Carrubba

Hancock County School District: Hancock Middle School: Tad J. Shaw

Harrison County

Biloxi Public School District: Biloxi High School: Todd Boucher, Danny E.
Wasilenko and Clementine Fantroy; Beauvoir Elementary: Kim Clemons

Gulfport School District: Bayou View Middle School: Shelley Gates, Cynthia
Johnson and Lindsey Ory; Gulfport High: Deanna Roessling, Cathy
McGuffee and Cimmie Switzer; Gulfport High Technology Center:
Christy Geissinger; Gaston Point Elementary: Martha Smith

Harrison County School District: Woolmarket Elementary: Davona Mitchell;
Harrison Central 9th: Debbie Wilson; D'Iberville High School: David V.
Husley

Long Beach School District: Long Beach Middle School: Christina Ladner and
Trena Attipoe; Long Beach Senior High School: Rachell Richards and
Donna Ladner

Pass Christian Public School District: Pass Christian Elementary: Julie Cuevas

Hinds County

Clinton Public School District: Clinton High: Charlotte Walker,* Jacob
Kirchner, Angel Olinger, Jennifer Nance, Sherri Ottis and Lori Prather;
Sumner Hill Jr. High: Doreen Moore, Roxanna Arcement and Kelli Kelly;
Clinton Junior High School: Cheryl Kay Metz, Justin Odom and Yancy
Beth Booth;

Hinds County School District: Carver Middle School: Lauren Barkley, Nicole
Duncan and Angela Fitzgerald; Byram Middle School: Billy Knight and
Juana Caston; Main Street Alternative School: Charles Wood and Ted
Palmer; Utica Elementary/Middle School: Willette Selene Jacobs

Jackson Public Schools

Bailey Magnet High: Jerry Beavers*

Brinkley Middle School: Diedra Harris, LaKeisha T. Lewis and Lamanda
McFarland

Callaway High School: Jacqueline Davis* and Willis Smith

Capital City Alternative: Mary Robinson*

Cardozo Middle School: Robbie Smith-Young, Sylvia C. Leggette and
Elizabeth Thompson

Chastain Middle School: Londra Hunter

Forest Hill High: Yolanda Dickey, Tommie Gillespie,* Doris
Johnson

Galloway Elementary School: Sharra Jones
 Jackson Career Development Center: Katherine Anderson;
 Jim Hill High: Eliza Westerfield* and George Williams*
 Lanier High School: Robert Walters
 Marshall Elementary School: Sebrina Esters;
 Murrah High School: Edward Schneider* and Sonya Harvey;
 Youth Court: Lee Bennett;
 Peeples Middle School: Rose Wright
 Provine High: Linda Johnson*
 Rowan Middle School: Kerry Brown
 Siwell Middle School: Carla Profice-Davis and Shevon Hall
 Van Winkle Elementary: Billy W. Brown
 JPS District Office: Whit Grace
 Hinds Agricultural School District: Hinds AHS: Faye D. Cornelius
 Holmes County
 Holmes County School District: Williams-Sullivan High: Dolly Gray*
 Itawamba County
 Itawamba Agricultural School District: Itawamba AHS: Lori Holland and Sandy
 Prestage
 Jackson County
 Jackson County School District: Vancleave High: Debra Brown; St. Martin
 High: Monique Farrington
 Moss Point School District: Moss Point High: John A. Slay and John B. Lowe;
 Moss Point Vocational Center: Michelle Kearney Jones
 Ocean Springs School District: Ocean Springs High: Janet Beatty, Jim
 Zipperer,* Laurie Blalock and Angela Sanders
 Pascagoula School District: Applied Technology Center: Carol S. Thomas
 Jasper County
 West Jasper School District: Jasper County Career Development Center: Alice
 Nita King
 Jefferson County
 Jefferson County School District: Jefferson County High: Kenneth Coffie
 Jefferson Davis County
 Jefferson-Davis School District: Prentiss High School: Wanda Ard and Glorious
 Hartzog; Jefferson Davis County Vocational Technical Center: Lila Broom
 Jones County
 Jones County School District: South Jones High: Catherine Chancellor;
 Northeast Jones Middle/High School: Martha Ellene Hosey
 Laurel School District: Laurel Career and Technology Center: Zandra Marks
 Lafayette County
 Oxford School District: Oxford Middle School: Neil Burton; Oxford High
 School: John Mistilis
 Lafayette County School District: Oxford-Lafayette School of Applied
 Technology: Barbara Dunn

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Lamar County

Lamar County School District:

Baxterville Attendance Center: Julie Richardson and Kristy McGehee

Lamar County Center for Technical Education: Suzanne Kelly

Oak Grove Primary: Tanya Bennett, Kelli Soberoski
and Alicia Martin

Oak Grove Lower Elementary: Beverly Blackmon and Anna Pickett

Oak Grove Upper Elementary: Ellen Mathis, Anna Lang, Lily Luedtke, Anna
Nelson Woods and Jo Eidman

Oak Grove Middle School: Heather Adams, Tammy Walters and Whitney Clark

Oak Grove High School: Helen Peterson, Jerri Whitecotton, Jesse Lang,

Terry Smith, Randy Robinett, Ashley Harper and Jordan Dupuy

Purvis Lower Elementary: Terry Red, Leigh Carroll and Wendy Roseberry

Purvis Upper Elementary: Jenyck Litolff and Kelly Parrish

Purvis Middle School: Abby Mills and Heather Houston

Purvis High School: Lindsay Robertson and Cala Raborn

Sumrall Elementary: Amy Pittman, Laurie Draper and Darlene Hill

Sumrall Middle School: Susan Kemp and Candice Eubanks

Sumrall High School: Amy Lee

Lauderdale County

Meridian Public School District: Meridian High: Larry Nichols and Nelda
Davidson

West Lauderdale County Schools: West Lauderdale High School: Shelia McDill

Lawrence County

Lawrence County School District: Lawrence County High: Eddie Rials*;

Lawrence County Career and Technical Center: Julie Wall

Leake County

Leake County Schools: Carthage High School: Monica Cullen; Leake County

Vocational-Technical Center: April Bell

Lee County

Lee County School District: Plantersville Middle School: Luther Minor

Tupelo Public School District: Tupelo Middle School: Ruth Baker and Marlo
Hendrix; Tupelo High: Angie Davis and Amy Johnson

Leflore County

Greenwood Public School District: Greenwood Career & Technical Center:
Tierra EvansLeflore County School District: Amanda Elzy High School: Deborah L. Phillips
and Cedric Shelby

Lincoln County

Brookhaven School District: Brookhaven High: Krista Russell*; Brookhaven
Technical Center: Tiffany Speaks and Cathy Warren

Brookhaven City Schools: Alexander Jr. High School: Samson Byrd

Lincoln County School District: West Lincoln High School: Les Jordan

Lowndes County

Lowndes County School District: Caledonia High: Christi Carter

Columbus Municipal School District: Hunt Intermediate: Martha Jones

Madison County

Canton Public School District: Canton School of Arts & Science: Patricia Green;
McNeal Elementary: Elizabeth Riles*

Madison County School District: Rosa Scott Middle: Steven White;
Madison Central High: Mary Catherine “Katie” Holden, Christy Walker,*
William “Brett” Mayfield, and Mindi Cook; Velma Jackson High School:
Danny Bouchillon; Madison Middle School: Kim Norman; Olde Towne
Middle School: William “Bill” Richardson; Germantown Middle School:
Deborah Morali

Marion County

Columbia City Schools: Columbia High School: Mike Novinski

Marshall County

Marshall County School District: H.W. Byers High School: John W. Bowlin
Holly Springs School District: Holly Springs Career & Technology Center: Mary
Ann Arouna; Holly Springs Junior High: Solomon Williams

MS Department of Education: Michael Curry

MS School of the Arts: Harold Wayne Owens, Jr.

MS School for the Deaf: Katherine Love

Monroe County

Aberdeen School District: Aberdeen Middle School: Peggy Bearden
Amory School District: Amory Middle School: Melvin McKinney; Amory
Vocational Center: Beverly Fortenberry and John Keith
Monroe County School District: Monroe County Vocational Technical Center:
Kerri Davidson

Montgomery County

Montgomery County School District: Montgomery County Elementary: Wayne
Keeton; Montgomery County High School: Shelley Dorris

Neshoba County

Neshoba Central School District: Neshoba Middle School: William Patrick
Boyle, Valerie Hardy, and Judy Palmer; Neshoba Central High School:
Sheila Watson

Philadelphia Public School District: Philadelphia High School: Pamela Thrash

Newton County

Newton County School District: Newton County Career and Technical Center:
Margaret Booth

Newton Municipal School District: Newton Career Center: Shelley Thoms

Noxubee County

Noxubee County School District: Noxubee County High School: Holly Haimes;
Noxubee County Career & Technology Center: Khristy Franklin

Oktibbeha County

Starkville School District: Starkville-Millsaps Career & Technology Center:
Kathy Dawkins and Sylvia Paige; Armstrong Middle School: April Dill,
Gavin Gilbert and Ginger Lynn Tedder

Panola County

North Panola School District: Greenhill Elementary: Laurie Maxwell

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Pearl River County

Pearl River County School District: Pearl River Central Upper Elementary: Stacy Nicole Mitchell; Pearl River Central High: Gwendolyn Ladner
 Picayune School District: Career and Technology Center: Kathy Quinn;
 Picayune Memorial High School: Laura Denise Pickett, Lucian Roberson and Cayne Stockstill
 Poplarville Municipal School District: Poplarville CDC: Marie Carpenter
 Poplarville High: Linda Patten, Jo Laurin Davis, Beverly Merritt, Hope Roberts, Keri F. Smith and Donna Storrs

Perry County

Perry County School District: Perry Central High: Beverly Hesterman;
 Perry County Vocational Complex: Stacy Pierce and Patricia Smithmier

Pike County

North Pike School District: North Pike High School: Melinda Simmons
 South Pike School District: South Pike Career and Technical Center: Cynthia Whittington Slay

Pontotoc County

Pontotoc City Schools: Pontotoc High: April Hamilton-Williams
 Pontotoc County School District: South Pontotoc High School: Stacy Scott;
 North Pontotoc High School: Robert L. Wingo; Pontotoc Ridge CTC:
 Elizabeth McCuller, Douglas Gentry and Paula Whitlock

Prentiss County

Prentiss County School District: Prentiss County Vo-Tech: Bill Glover

Quitman County

Quitman County School District: Madison Shannon Palmer High School: Lisa Taylor

Rankin County

Pearl Public School District: Pearl High School: Sheri B. Carter
 Pearl and Rankin Counties: Pearl Rankin Career and Technical Center: Tammie Brewer
 Rankin County School District: Brandon High: Monica Corley* and Terry Hunt;
 Brandon Middle: Antoinette Berry; Northwest Rankin High: Alvin Martin and Charles R. Sweeney*; Flowood Elementary: Buster Doty;
 Pelahatchie Attendance Center: Donna McMillian; McLaurin High School: Albert Milburn

Scott County

Forest-Scott County Career & Technology Center: Debbie Burnham

Sharkey County

South Delta Schools: Carson T. Seal Vocational Center: Patricia Thomas

Simpson County

Simpson County School District: Magee High: Cheryl Goude-lock*; Mendenhall Junior High: Rajya Lakshmi Meka; Simpson County Technical Center: Judy McDonnieal and Pamela Woodard

Smith County

Smith County School District: Taylorsville High School: Carrie Tucker; Smith

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- County Career Center: Karen Ware
- Stone County
Stone County School District: Stone High School: Sofe Lou Husley, Brent Long and William S. Maddox, Sr.
- Sunflower County
Sunflower County School District: Ruleville Central High School: Michael Randle
Drew School District: A.W. James Elementary: Avis Brown
Indianola School District: Gentry High School: Lamisha Galvin and Gwendolyn Milton; Merritt Middle School: Leola Gilson-Wright and Thomas Mabece; Pennington Junior High: Kermit McAdory; Indianola Career & Technology Center: Jeanette Davis
- Tallahatchie County
East Tallahatchie Consolidated School District: Charleston High School: Charlinda Gooch
- Tate County
Senatobia Municipal School District: Senatobia High: Gale Cushman
Tate County School District: Coldwater High School: Beverly Shanks
- Tippah County
South Tippah School District: Tippah Career & Technology Center: Joy Rich
- Tishomingo County
Tishomingo County Municipal School District: Tishomingo County Vocational Center: Dana Bonds
- Tunica County
Tunica County School District: Rosa Fort High School: Dena Smith; Tunica Middle School: LaShanda Hoskins, Tracy Duncan and Michael B. Mallory
- Union County
Union County School District: East Union High School: Susan Culpepper
- Walthall County
Walthall County School District: Tylertown High School: Laurie Capps;
Walthall County Career and Technology Center: Tiffany Mark
- Warren County
Vicksburg Warren School District: Warren Central High: Theresa Vollar
- Washington County
Greenville Public School District: Greenville-Weston High School: Shelton James; Stern Elementary School: Carol Oakes
T.L. Weston Campus: Shirley Lance
Leland School District: Leland High School: Felesia Cochran
- Wayne County
Wayne County School District: Wayne County Vo-Tech: Robyn McMichael
- Webster County
Webster County School District: Eupora High School: Amy Hubbard
- Wilkinson County
Wilkinson County School District: Martin Luther King Career and Technology Complex: Shirley Riggs

Yalobusha County

Coffeeville School District: Coffeeville High School: Jason Purdy and Kimberly Anderson

Water Valley School District: Water Valley High School: Jo Ann King

Collegiate:

East Mississippi Community College: Michelle Taylor

Mississippi Valley State University: Curressia M. Brown

Independent:

Diamondhead, MS: Bill A. Myers

Hattiesburg, MS: Brian Blackmon

Hattiesburg, MS: Melanie Adcox

Madison, MS: Susan Thames

Philadelphia, MS: Susan Hammendorp

Belmont, MS: Jeff Martin

Private Schools:

Canton Academy: Matthew Ryan Walker

Calhoun Academy: Fran Smith

Jackson Academy: Rita Martin

Magnolia Heights School: Barry Coleman

East Rankin Academy: Freida McLeod

Moved:

Kianca Guyton (formerly of Jim Hill High School)

Stephanie Vance-Hernandez (formerly of Montgomery County Elementary)

Sonia Santamaria (formerly of Gentry High School)

Veronica Walls (formerly of Forest Hill High School)

Charles Robinson (formerly of Greenville-Weston High School)

Areccia Robinson (formerly of T.L. Weston Campus)

Sherri L. Funk (formerly of St. Vincent De Paul Catholic School)

Steve Culbertson (formerly of Wingfield High School)

Renee Gammill (formerly of Mississippi State University Research and Curriculum Unit)

Angela Trehan: (formerly of Byrum Middle School)

Steuart Botchford: (formerly of Leland Elementary School)

Retired:

Bill Patrick (formerly of Wingfield High School)

Carole Armstrong (formerly of Ridgeland High School)

Sheryl Dilworth (formerly of Amory Middle School)

Billie Bowman (formerly of Provine High School)

Gary Varsel (formerly of J.Z. George High School)

Margaret Powers (formerly of D'Iberville High School)

Henri Grantham* (formerly of Clarksdale High School)

Renee P. Bounds (formerly of Forest Hill High School)

Deceased:

Frank Stoeffler (formerly of Woolmarket Elementary School)

**Mississippi Council on Economic Education: Selena Swartzfager
Business, Economics and Marketing teachers in the State Superintendent's new
High School Redesign Program are required to earn the MTE in the next two years.
The 44 School Districts with 57 Master Teachers in Economics in progress are as
follows:**

Attala County

Attala County School District: Kosciusko-Attala Vocational Center: Betty
Bermond

Bolivar County

Mound Bayou Public Schools: John F. Kennedy High School: Sherri Williams
North Bolivar School District: Broadstreet High School: Meloney Beasley

Chickasaw County

Chickasaw County School District: Houlka Attendance Center: James E. Byars

Claiborne County

Claiborne County School District: Claiborne County Vocational Complex:
Kimberly Rucker; Port Gibson Middle School: Felicia Davis

Clarke County

Enterprise School District: Enterprise High School: Ashley Davis Sisson

Covington County

Covington County School District: Collins High School: Wanda J. White-Moye

Desoto County

Desoto County School District: Desoto Central High School: Karen Lyon

Forrest County

Hattiesburg Public School District: Dannette McAlexander; Hattiesburg High
School: John Paola

Harrison County

Gulfport School District: Gulfport High School: Hardy Thames

Hinds County

Clinton Public School District: Lovett Elementary: Leanne Osborne
Hinds County School District: Byram Middle School: Charles White
Jackson Public School District: Brinkley Middle School: Ronda Cheatham and
Jennifer Green

Holmes County

Holmes County School District: Holmes County Vocational Center: China B.
Stephens

Itawamba County

Itawamba County School District: Itawamba AHS: Kristin Holley

Jasper County

West Jasper School District: Bay Springs High School: Patrina Johnson

Jefferson County

Jefferson County School District: Jefferson County Vocational-Technical Center:
Rose B. Minor

Jones County

Jones County School District: South Jones High School: Thomas Hinkle; West
Jones High School: Danielle Todd

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Laurel School District: Laurel High School Career & Technology Center: Devon Malone Sellers

Kemper County
Kemper County School District: John C. Stennis Vo-Tech: Tacey Little

Leake County
Leake County School District: Carthage High School: Diane Wooten

Lee County
Nettleton School District: Nettleton High School: Rebecca Keeton

Leflore County
Leflore County School District: Leflore County High School: Michelle Harrison-Armstrong

Lincoln County
Brookhaven School District: Mullins Alternative School: Bryce T. Porter

Madison County
Madison County School District: Northeast Madison Middle School: Chellie Thames; Ridgeland High School: Tracey Watts

Marion County
Marion County School District: Carl Loftin Career & Technology Center
LaShauna E. Fortenberry

Marshall County
Marshall County School District: H.W. Byars High School: Colet Pierce

Neshoba County
Philadelphia School District: Neshoba County Career and Technical Center:
Bethany Lucas

Newton County
Newton Municipal School District: Newton Career Center: Sonya Carson

Oktibbeha County
Starkville School District: Armstrong Middle School: Sheila Bailey
Oktibbeha County School District: Mary McDonald

Panola County
North Panola School District: North Panola Career and Technical Center:
Martha Brown

Pearl River County
Picayune School District: Picayune Career and Technology Center: Angela Hawthorne

Perry County
Richton School District: Richton High School: Catherine M. Williams

Pike County
North Pike School District: North Pike High School: Ginger McElveen and Polly Reeves;
McComb School District: McComb Business & Technology Complex: Shayla Tate

Rankin County
Pearl Public School District: Pearl High School: Vicki Vance

Stone County
Stone County School District: Stone High School: Charlotte Snell

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Tippah County

South Tippah School District: Ripley Middle School: Andrew Wood

Tunica County

Tunica County School District: Rosa Fort High School: Beverlyn Ann Daniel;

Tunica Middle School: Aretha Aikens

Washington County

Western Line School District: O'Bannon High School: Christopher Lott

Winston County

Louisville Municipal School District: Winston-Louisville Career & Technology

Center: June P. Holdiness

Yalobusha County

Coffeeville School District: Coffeeville High School: Brian L. White

Independent:

Jackson, MS: (GEARUP) Shirley Williams Kane

Jackson, MS: Gary Edwards

Philadelphia, MS: Deana Cumberland

Jackson, MS: (Mississippi Development Authority) Penny Barrentine

Starkville, MS: (MSU) Patti Abraham

Covington, LA: Cindy Harlan

Private:

New Summit School: Kristi Mueller