

**OFFICE OF QUALITY PROFESSIONALS AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**February 17-18, 2010**

**EDUCATOR LICENSURE**

11. Approval of the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct (Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act Process with or with no public comment)

**Background:**

The purpose of the Code of Ethics is to define the parameters of professional behavior of educators in Mississippi. The Code will serve as a guide to ethical conduct and shall apply to all persons licensed according to the rules established by the Mississippi State Board of Education and protects the health, safety and general welfare of students and educators.

Each educator, upon entering the teaching profession, assumes a number of obligations, one of which is to adhere to a set of principles which defines professional conduct. These principles are reflected in the following code of ethics which sets forth to the education profession and the public it serves standards of professional conduct and procedures for implementation.

Recommendation: Approval

Backup material attached