

**OFFICE OF QUALITY PROFESSIONALS AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**January 19-20, 2012**

**EDUCATOR LICENSURE**

14. Approval of request from Delta State University for a Master's Program in Educational Leadership as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure Development

All current and proposed administrator preparation programs, both traditional and alternate route, have recently undergone an in depth review. Dr. Joe Murphy, Frank W. Mayborn Chair of Education, Vanderbilt Peabody University is leading the review and redesign process for Educational Leadership programs in the state. Delta State University submitted a proposal to Dr. Murphy to offer an Educational Leadership masters degree program that leads to administrator certification. The program was approved. Dr. Lynn House and Dr. Leslie Griffin, Dean of Education at Delta State, presented the program to the Educator Licensure Commission for consideration. Based on the review process and meeting program approval guidelines, the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure and Development approved the program on November 4, 2011.

The Educator Licensure Commission is recommending that the State Board of Education approve Delta State University's Educational Leadership Program.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached