

Children First Act (CFA)	Charter Conversion	New Start School	Schools At-Risk Legislation
<p>Senate Bill 2628, 2009 session</p> <p>Impacts: DISTRICTS</p> <p>A state of emergency MAY be declared in a DISTRICT labeled as failing for 2 consecutive years. Once a state of emergency is declared, the superintendent and board may be removed by the State Board of Education.</p> <p><u>Timing based on RESULTS from:</u> Year 1: 2009-2010 School Year (label 10-11) Year 2: 2010-2011 School Year (label 11-12)</p> <p>No DISTRICT has yet been placed under conservatorship by authority granted in the CFA. The earliest possible time for this will be in the fall of 2011.</p> <p>All districts with a failing school have established some type of community/parent council.</p> <p>STATUS <i>All districts listed are in a "Year 1" status for CFA.</i></p> <p>Drew Hazlehurst Hollandale Kemper County Okolona West Tallahatchie</p>	<p>MS Code 37-165-1 through 27</p> <p>Impacts: SCHOOLS</p> <p>Allows the parents or guardians of students enrolled in a public SCHOOL designated as low-performing, at-risk of failing or failing for 3 consecutive years to petition the State Board of Education for conversion of the school to charter school status</p> <p><u>Timing based on RESULTS from:</u> Year 1: 2009-2010 School Year (label 10-11) Year 2: 2010-2011 School Year (label 11-12) Year 3: 2011-2012 School Year (label 12-13)</p> <p>No SCHOOL has yet met the timeline for the Charter Conversion provision. The first possible time for a charter conversion would be the beginning of the 2012-2013 year, except that planning for this based on the timing of assessment results is difficult.</p> <p>STATUS <i>All schools are in a "Year 1" status for Charter Conversion.</i></p> <p>Failing Schools (29) At-Risk Schools (129) Low Performing Schools (2)</p>	<p>MS Code 37-167-1</p> <p>Impacts: SCHOOLS</p> <p>Requires the Mississippi Recovery School District within the State Department of Education to administer the New Start School Program for SCHOOLS that are failing for 3 consecutive years, beginning with the results from the 2009-2010 school year</p> <p><u>Timing based on RESULTS from:</u> Year 1: 2009-2010 School Year (label 10-11) Year 2: 2010-2011 School Year (label 11-12) Year 3: 2011-2012 School Year (label 12-13)</p> <p>No SCHOOL has yet met the timeline for the New Start provision. The first possible time for a New Start school would be the beginning of the 2012-2013 year, except that planning for this based on the timing of assessment results is difficult.</p> <p>In the fall of 2011, for SCHOOLS labeled as failing for BOTH the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years, MDE must provide written notice to the principal and each licensed and non-licensed school employee, informing him or her that the school will be transformed into a new start school and his or her employment with the district will be terminated if the school receives a failing classification the succeeding year.</p> <p>STATUS <i>All schools are in a "Year 1" status for New Start school, and have been notified by MDE of their status.</i></p> <p>Failing Schools (29) See reverse side for list</p>	<p>MS Code 37-18-3 through 7</p> <p>Impacts: SCHOOLS</p> <p>A SCHOOL is determined "At-Risk" if (1) it is labeled failing for any year or (2) is labeled at-risk of failing or low performing for 2 consecutive years.</p> <p>In the event that more than 50% of the schools within the school district are designated as Schools At-Risk in any 1 year, the State Board of Education may request that the Governor declare a state of emergency in that school DISTRICT.</p> <p>All districts with a failing school have established some type of community/parent council as required in the law.</p> <p>STATUS <i>Schools with more than 50% SARs (8)</i></p> <p>Aberdeen Drew Hollandale Kemper County Natchez-Adams Okolona West Tallahatchie Yazoo City</p>

Notes: Accountability RESULTS from any year determine the LABEL designated in the following school year. For example, a school with a failing label in the 2010-2011 school year, is a RESULT of tests from the 2009-2010 school year.

New Start School	Charter Conversion
<p>Listing of the 29 schools in "Year 1" Status</p> <p>Amite County - Gloster Elementary School (closed) Canton - Canton High School Clarksdale - W A Higgins Middle School Coahoma County - Lyon Elementary School Copiah County - Crystal Springs High School Covington County - Carver Middle School *Drew - Drew High School (closed) *Drew - Hunter Middle School renamed Drew Hunter High School (7-12) *Hazlehurst City - Hazlehurst Middle School *Hollandale - Chambers Middle School *Hollandale - Sanders Elementary School Holmes County - Lexington Elementary School Holmes County - Williams Sullivan Elementary School Indianola - Carver Upper Elementary School Jefferson County - Jefferson County Elementary School Jefferson County - Jefferson County Junior High School *Kemper County - Kemper County High School *Kemper County - West Kemper Elementary School Laurel - Laurel High School Leake County - South Leake High School Leflore County - Leflore County High School North Panola - Greenhill Elementary School *Okolona - Okolona High School Oktibbeha County - East Oktibbeha County High School Shaw - McEvans School (K-8) Walthall County - Dexter Attendance Center *West Tallahatchie - R H Bearden Elementary School *West Tallahatchie - West Tallahatchie High School Yazoo City - McCoy Elementary School</p> <p>* - Signifies a school in a Failing District</p>	<p>These same 29 schools as well as all the schools in the At-Risk of Failing and Low-Performing categories.</p>