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## MEMORANDUM

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TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

To: Dr. Randy D. McCoy, Superintendent  
Tupelo Public Schools (4120)

From: Paula A. Means, Executive Secretary  
Commission on School Accreditation 

Date: September 14, 2007

Subject: **Notification of Action of the Commission on School Accreditation**

- 1. Assignment of District Accreditation Status**
- 2. Recommended School Performance Classifications**

You are hereby notified that on September 6, 2007, the Commission on School Accreditation assigned your school district an **Accredited** status for school year 2007-2008. The decision of the Commission was based on the information stated on the enclosed 2006-2007 Accreditation Record Summary in accordance with current accreditation policies 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3, as published in *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2007*.

As stated in accreditation policy 2.5, an assigned district accreditation status may remain unchanged during that school year except in those cases where verified noncompliance with financial standards, the testing standard, continued noncompliance with federal regulations, or reporting false information may downgrade a status immediately. When the district has verified correction of deficiencies in meeting all process standards previously cited as deficiencies on the district's Accreditation Record Summary, the accreditation status will be upgraded. Action of the Commission is required in either case.

You are also notified that on September 6, 2007, the **Commission on School Accreditation assigned school performance classifications to each school in your district for school year 2007-2008**. The decision of the Commission was based on the information on the School Performance Reports and in accordance with accreditation policies 3.1 and 3.3, as published in *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards, 2007*. The recommendations for school performance classifications are reflected in the final report mailed to you on August 31, 2007.

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**On September 13, 2007, the final decision of the Commission was approved by the State Board of Education.** An appeal by the Board of Trustees of the school district may be requested by filing a written notice of appeal with the State Superintendent of Education within 15 calendar days of September 13, 2007.

If you have any questions about any policy referenced above, please do not hesitate to contact me at (601) 359-3764 or [pmeans@mde.k12.ms.us](mailto:pmeans@mde.k12.ms.us).

Enclosure

c: Dr. Hank M. Bounds  
Dr. Beth H. Sewell  
Mr. Stephen G. Ludt

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*OFFICE OF ACCREDITATION*

Accreditation Record Summary

Date: 09/14/07

**4120 TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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**DEFICIENCIES ON RECORD:**

There are no CURRENT or PENDING deficiencies on your Accreditation Record.