



**Mississippi State University
College of Education
Scholarship Committee
2025-2026**

Members	Department	Term Expiration
Ms. Rachel Tentoni, Chair	Academic Coordinator, Undergraduate Programs	N/A
Dr. Lindon Ratliff	Teacher Education and Leadership, Alternate Route/Secondary Education	2027
Dr. Kim Smith	Teacher Education and Leadership, Elementary Education	2026
Dr. Zhigao Liang	Teacher Education and Leadership, Special Education	2027
Dr. Leigh Ann McMullan	Teacher Education and Leadership, Educational Leadership	2026
Dr. Nick Cummins	Music	2027
Dr. Mackenzie Sidwell	Counseling, Higher Education Leadership, Educational Psychology, & Foundations	2026
Ms. Fatima Hilali	Industrial Technology, Instructional Design, and Community College Leadership	2027
Dr. Younghan Lee	Kinesiology	2026
Dr. Brandi Sumrall	Meridian Division of Education	2027

Ex-Officio	
Ms. Kristi Swift	Director of Development
Ms. Briann Benson	Recruiting Coordinator
Ms. Annice Jenkins	Mississippi Excellence in Teaching Program
Ms. Dena Nobles	Mississippi Excellence in Teaching Program

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Purposes and Procedures

The purposes of the College of Education Scholarship Committee are to promote and announce available scholarships within each academic department to their students, review and select recipients according to stated guidelines for each scholarship, send recommendations to the dean's office, ensure all awards are not over the cost of attendance, and ensure that each selected recipient writes a letter of appreciation to the donor of their scholarship.

Membership

Membership of the College of Education Scholarship Committee is comprised of members from each academic department appointed by each department head. Members also include the College of Education (COE) Academic Coordinators, COE Recruiting Coordinator, and the COE Director of Development. Members serve a period of two years.

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