



**Mississippi State University
College of Education
Teacher Education Council (TEC)
2025-2026**

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Ms. Kim Harris	Teacher/Lead Student Support Services	SOCSD-Armstrong Junior High School
Ms. Hannah Harris	Teacher/Math	SOCSD-Starkville High School
Mr. Daniel Meador	Teacher/Physical Education	SOCSD-Henderson Ward Stewart
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Mr. Nick Wiley	Teacher/Physical Education	SOCSD-Overstreet Elementary School
Ms. Elaine Baxter	Teacher/Special Education	SOCSD-Starkville Oktibbeha Consolidated Schools
Ms. Raquel Orr	Teacher/Special Education	SOCSD-Starkville High School

Purposes and Procedures

The purpose of the TEC is to aid in the design and review of curricula, requirements, and assessments related to undergraduate and graduate teacher education programs. The goal of the TEC is to aid in the design and enhancement of the programs that prepare P-12 teacher candidates and administrators. Analyses of assessments, such as the Teacher Intern Assessment Instrument evaluations, exit surveys, Praxis tests, and the Survey of First Year Teachers, are routinely shared with the TEC. The advice and recommendations of the TEC are carefully considered by the Dean, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, Assistant Dean, Director of the Office of Clinical/Field-Based Instruction and Licensure (OCFBI), and COE department heads. These recommendations are shared as needed with other entities, such as the CAEP Committee and the Undergraduate Education Advisory Committee. Members of the TEC also meet with the Board of Examiners during CAEP site visits.

Membership of the Teacher Education Council (TEC) in the College of Education (COE) is comprised of P-12 teachers and administrators, College of Arts & Sciences faculty and administrators, and COE teacher education faculty and administrators. The OCFBI Director chairs the TEC. Members of the TEC are selected in a variety of ways: Arts and Sciences faculty who represent each of the secondary teacher education content areas are typically recommended by their respective department heads; COE faculty representing the various teacher education majors and concentrations, by the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs or the OCFBI Director; practitioners are recommended by the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, OCFBI Director, principals, or superintendents in collaborating schools. At least one practitioner is selected to represent each teacher education major/concentration. TEC members serve two-year, renewable terms.