TO: Board of Trustees/Dr. Randy McCoy

FROM: Nancy Williams McReynolds

RE: Grant Acceptance DATE: August 25, 2009

The following grant has been awarded to the Tupelo Public School District. At this time, we request that the T.P.S.D. Board of Trustees acknowledge and accept this grant on behalf of the District. By accepting this grant, the Board also authorizes the Finance Department to amend the district's budget to add the grant award amounts to the appropriate budgets.

TPSD Grant #819 Continuation from 2008-2009

Grant Source: Gear Up Mississippi

Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning

Grant Site: District Grades 7 – 12

Grant Title: Gaining Early Awareness & Readiness for

Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP)

Grant Purpose: To increase academic performance and

preparation for postsecondary education, increase families' knowledge of postsecondary

options, preparation and funding,

increase high school graduation rates, reduce remediation rates and increase postsecondary

completion.

Grant Amount: \$53,300.00 District/Other Match: \$53,300.00

District Grant Contact: Dr. George Noflin, Jr.

Mr. Paul Moton Mr. Brock English

Performance Period: August 3, 2009 to May 30, 2010