

**Mississippi School Boards Association  
2026 School Board Legislative Survey**

This survey is being sent to all school board members and superintendents. Please take time at your next board meeting to complete the survey as a team and enter the results by **October 20, 2025**. This information will help MSBA direct its lobbying efforts during the 2026 Legislative Session.

**Name of School District:** \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please **CIRCLE** or **UNDERLINE** one of the **bold choices** after each statement. We are asking that each Board discuss this survey at a board meeting, **complete a single survey**, and return it to MSBA. We are not asking each individual board member to submit a survey.

1. Legislation that would allow open enrollment for students to attend the school of their choice regardless of residency  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
2. Legislation that further incentivizes retired teachers to return to the classroom.  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
3. Legislation that would restrict local control of school boards  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
4. Legislation that would allow homeschooled students to participate in public school extracurricular activities.  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
5. Legislation that would provide incentives for school districts to move to a year-round calendar  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
6. Legislation that addresses school board member misconduct  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
7. Legislation that would require each local school board to formally adopt a code of conduct for board members  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
8. Legislation that would prohibit the use of cell phones or other personal communication devices by students during school hours  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
9. Legislation that would limit the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in schools  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**

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10. Legislation that would create a structured, statewide approach to quality early childhood education  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
11. Legislation that would allow for a salary supplement for experienced teachers willing to relocate to F-rated school districts  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
12. Legislation that would allow public funds to be diverted from public schools to nonpublic schools, home schools, or virtual schools by means of vouchers, tuition tax credits, or scholarships  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
13. Legislation that would allow public charter schools in districts with successful accountability ratings of A, B, or C  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
14. Legislation that would provide incentives to people majoring in education and/or people seeking an alternative route license  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
15. Legislation that would consolidate schools to create a countywide school district in each county.  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
16. Legislation that would shift the control of student attendance officers from the Mississippi Department of Education to local school districts  
**Support    Oppose    No Opinion**
17. What are your board's top priorities for the upcoming legislative session?
18. What are some of the top issues that are currently in your district?