

**District:** Tupelo Public School District  
**Section:** C - General School Administration  
**Policy Code:** CEA - Superintendent Qualifications

## QUALIFICATIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT

The Tupelo Public School District shall have a superintendent of schools selected and appointed by the Board of Trustees. To be eligible to serve in the position of superintendent, a person must hold a valid administrator's license issued by the Mississippi Department of Education and must have a minimum of not less than (6) six years of classroom or administrative experience which shall include at least three (3) years of administrative experience as a school building principal:

- a. in a school with an "A" or "B" accountability rating, or
- b. in a school that increased its accountability rating by a letter grade during the period in which the principal was employed as principal at the school, or
- c. in a school with a comparable accountability rating or improvement in another state which shall be verified by the Mississippi Department of Education, or
- d. meet the alternative superintendent qualifications in accordance with the Mississippi Department of Education.

No person shall be eligible to the office of superintendent if the person has pled guilty to or been convicted of any state or federal offense in which he or she unlawfully took, obtained or misappropriated funds received by or entrusted to the person by virtue of his or her public office or employment.

These provisions shall be applicable to any superintendent of schools selected on or after July 1, 2017, who has not previously served as a superintendent or assistant superintendent within the last five (5) years.

In addition to those qualifications as specified by law, the Board may expand and require additional minimum requirements for a person serving as superintendent of the District.

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