

# **Public Radio Stations of Mississippi Public Broadcasting**

*Quarterly Issues and Programs Report*

*for the period of July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018*

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*The licensee of the eight-station public radio network,  
the Mississippi Authority for Educational Television,  
has determined that these issues were of importance to the  
citizens of Mississippi during the third quarter of 2018.*

*The following list contains the most significant programming addressing those issues.*

# **MINORITY CONCERNS**

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 7/05/18

Length: 00:03:45

## **Philadelphia Ends Gender Segregation In Public Pools**

Philadelphia Parks & Recreation has formally ended a longstanding policy of segregating male and female swimmers by day.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/05/18

Length: 00:01:40

## **Urban League Reestablishes Miss. Office**

A national civil rights organization dedicated to education and workforce development is reestablishing its Mississippi office.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/23/18

Length: 00:01:41

## **Efforts Underway to Encourage More Woman to Seek Public Office**

According to Rutgers University's Center for American Women and Politics, eight women have won statewide office since 1960 in Mississippi.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/30/18

Length: 00:01:47

## **Civil Rights Legend To Be Inducted Into Ole Miss Alumni Hall of Fame**

Civil Rights Trailblazer James Meredith will be inducted into the University of Mississippi Alumni Hall of Fame during the October homecoming.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 08/10/18

Length: 00:06:59

## **Tennessee Reopens 78-Year-Old Case Of Murdered Black Activist**

This week in Tennessee, a county district attorney announced that he will reopen the investigation of a murder that took place 78 years ago.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 8/14/18

Length: 00:02:46

## **Nonpartisan Black Business Alliance Endorses 4 Democratic Candidates**

A group of black business leaders have launched a new political action committee to back candidates who support economic causes that benefit African-Americans.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 8/30/18

Length: 00:03:49

### **Many Transgender Asylum-Seekers Held In Special ICE Unit**

Many transgender asylum-seekers are housed in a special ICE detention center in New Mexico that also functions as a county jail and state prison.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 09/19/18

Length: 00:04:52

### **Why Aren't As Many HBCU Grads Giving Back To Their College?**

Some historically black colleges and universities in Mississippi are facing a financial downward spiral. School officials say they need their alumni to donate now more than ever.

# EDUCATION

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/06/18

Length: 00:01:29

## **MDE Creates New Guidelines To Help Educators Teach Migrant Children**

More than 12,000 students in Mississippi identify as what officials call English learners. The number has grown by almost 50 percent since 2013, according to the state department of education.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/17/18

Length: 00:01:41

## **IHL Commissioner Launches Listening Tour**

Mississippi's Institutions of Higher Learning Commissioner Al Rankins says he will spend his first hundred days in office meeting with students and university constituents.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/19/18

Length: 00:01:21

## **Commission Votes to Takeover Noxubee County School District**

The state Commission on School Accreditation voted unanimously yesterday to recommend the board of education declare an emergency in the Noxubee County school district.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/31/18

Length: 00:04:34

## **Hands-On School Garden Teaches Delta Kids about Nutrition**

One in six children in the United States may not have regular access to healthy food, according to the nonprofit, Feeding America.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 8/01/18

Length: 00:03:40

## **Principal Of LeBron James' I Promise School Talks About Mission**

LeBron James has joined with the Akron public school district to open the I Promise School for at-risk children.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 8/14/18

Length: 00:01:23

## **Delta Charter School Opens With Others Being Planned**

More Mississippi students could soon have a chance to attend a charter school.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 8/29/18

Length: 00:03:15

**Federal Commission On School Safety Holds Its Final Listening Session**

The Federal Commission on School Safety held its fourth and final listening session in Montgomery, Ala., on Tuesday. Representatives heard the community's thoughts on how to improve school safety.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/21/18

Length: 00:01:23

**Ole Miss Alumnus Ed Meek Under Fire For Facebook Post**

Black students at the University of Mississippi are asking school officials to condemn a Facebook post by alumnus and prominent donor Ed Meek.

# **ECONOMY**

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/10/18

Length: 00:03:54

## **Farmers Worry About The Impact of Tariffs On Mississippi's Economy**

A Mississippi Congressman says a trade war between the U.S. and China would be devastating for farmers in the state.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/11/18

Length: 00:01:41

## **A New AG and Commerce Initiative Aims to Highlight Mississippi Products**

Genuine Mississippi is a membership program developed by the state Department of Agriculture and Commerce. Ag Commissioner Andy Gipson says the purpose is to increase public awareness of Mississippi's products by branding them.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 7/27/18

Length: 00:01:34

## **Customers, Retailers Anticipate Mississippi Tax Free Weekend**

Mississippi is kicking off its annual sales tax holiday.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 8/03/18

Length: 00:04:35

## **Despite U.S. Economy Improvement Wages Remain Low**

The U.S. economy has reached a critical juncture. Growth is outstanding. Unemployment is so low that employers are struggling to find workers. But a major puzzle persists: why is wage growth so slow?

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 8/08/18

Length: 00:01:29

## **Black Women Get The Short End of The Pay Stub, According to a Gender Wage Gap Report**

Women in Mississippi are paid significantly less than their male counterparts, according to a report by The National Women's Law Center.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 8/28/18

Length: 00:03:16

## **Canadians Say Trade Fight Has Changed Their View Of The U.S.**

After reaching a handshake agreement with Mexico to redo NAFTA, President Trump immediately sought to exert pressure on Canada to make concessions in any revised trade deal.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/17/18

Length: 00:01:35

**Advocates Say New Census Data Shows Gender, Racial Pay Gap Persists**

New data from the U.S. Census has advocates in Mississippi speaking out about the gender and racial wage gap.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/28/18

Length: 00:01:18

**Nissan in Mississippi Begins Manufacturing New Altima**

Nissan in Mississippi is officially launching the production of the new 2019 Altima.

# **GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND POLITICS**

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/02/18

Length: 00:01:37

## **Marion Wright Edelman Tours Delta for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

A champion for children's health and welfare is visiting the Mississippi Delta to sound the alarm.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/09/18

Length: 00:01:28

## **Governor Picks New State Auditor**

Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant is appointing Shadrack White to be the new state auditor. He succeeds Republican Stacey Pickering, who's resigning to become director of the Mississippi Veterans Affairs Board.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 07/27/18

Length: 00:04:18

## **Can The U.S. Economy Keep Growing?**

Gross domestic product growth in the second quarter was projected at more than 4 percent, the fastest pace in years. But most economists think stronger growth is short-term and won't be sustained.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 8/16/18

Length: 00:01:35

## **Gov's Summit: Cutting Healthcare Costs, Growing the Industry**

Mississippi's medical, business and insurance leaders are partnering with the governor to turn the state into a major player in the healthcare industry.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 8/24/18

Length: 00:01:25

## **Mississippi Senate Passes a Lottery Bill to Fund Roads and Bridges**

A state lottery is one step closer to reality, now that the Mississippi Senate has passed a bill calling for it. The bill now goes to the House.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 8/27/18

Length: 00:03:51

## **Both Of Arizona's Senate Seats Are Now In Question**

In Arizona today, flags are flying at half-staff in honor of Senator John McCain.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/18/18

Length: 00:01:37

### **Protesters Briefly Disrupt Legislative Budget Hearing**

A small group of protestors interrupted Mississippi's Corrections Commissioner Pelicia Hall, as she addressed the legislative budget committee, shouting they want justice.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/26/18

Length: 00:04:13

### **Harvey Is First Major Natural Disaster For Trump Administration**

Over the last few days, President Trump has been tweeting a lot about rescue efforts in Texas.

## **HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE**

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/05/18

Length: 00:01:34

### **July is Minority Mental Health Awareness Month**

Experts say access to mental health services is an ongoing concern for minorities in Mississippi.

Program: Weekend Edition Sunday

Air Date: 7/08/18

Length: 00:05:04

### **Black Babies Twice As Likely As White Babies To Die Before Age 1**

Black babies are two times as likely as white babies to die before their first birthday.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/13/18

Length: 00:01:44

### **Opioid and Heroin Summit Seeks to End Stigma of Addiction**

Mississippi's pharmacy board reports in 2017 doctors wrote more than 3.3 million opioid prescriptions. Also last year, the state bureau of narcotics reports there were 256 suspected opioid overdoses.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 07/26/18

Length: 00:03:41

### **Praise For The Global HIV Program That Trump Wants To Cut**

The 22nd annual International AIDS Conference is currently underway in Amsterdam. And several studies are looking at the U.S. government's largest foreign HIV program: the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, or PEPFAR.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/30/18

Length: 00:01:30

### **Vaccinations Show a Dip in Hepatitis Infections in Mississippi, Doctors Say**

Advocates are recognizing World Hepatitis Awareness Day by encouraging people to get vaccinated.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 8/16/18

Length: 00:04:46

### **To Cope With Shooting, Parkland Students Use Art, Music Therapy**

Students in Broward County, Fla., have gone back to school — 6 months after the shooting that left 17 people dead at a Parkland high school. Some students spent the summer trying to heal through art.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 08/17/18

Length: 00:02:14

**Generic Version Of The EpiPen Is Approved For Allergic Reactions**

The FDA has approved a generic version of the EpiPen to treat dangerous allergic reactions, but it remains to be seen how much that will drive down the price of this expensive product.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/25/18

Length: 00:01:43

**Attracting and Retaining Nurses in the Midst of a Nationwide Shortage**

Hospitals in Mississippi are working to attract and retain nurses.

# **CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT**

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/11/18

Length: 00:01:44

## **Survey Finds Fewer Students Having Sex But Condom Use Down**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports the number of high school students who have ever had sex has declined from 48 percent in 2007 to 40 percent nationwide in 2017.

Program: Fresh Air

Air Date: 7/12/18

Length: 00:06:54

## **Eighth Grade' Captures Awkwardness And Impermanence Of American Adolescence**

The director approaches his subject — the awkwardness and impermanence of American adolescence — with an almost anthropological curiosity.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/31/18

Length: 00:01:34

## **Moms in Mississippi are Breastfeeding at a Rate Lower Than Any Other State**

Breastfeeding in public is now protected by law in all 50 states. But, as MPB's Ashley Norwood reports, protected or not- almost half of moms in Mississippi aren't breastfeeding.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 7/31/18

Length: 00:01:44

## **State To Be National Model for Keeping Families Together**

Mississippi is earmarked to be the nation's model for a new child welfare law focused on keeping families together.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 8/02/18

Length: 00:04:27

## **Administration Faces Another Deadline Concerning Migrant Families**

The U.S. government faces a Thursday deadline to submit a plan for reunifying migrant families that remain separated.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 8/14/18

Length: 00:06:03

## **Senators To DeVos On TEACH Grant Debacle: 'Urgent That These Mistakes Are Fixed'**

The U.S. Department of Education is in the midst of a top-to-bottom review of a troubled federal grant program for public school teachers.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 8/17/18

Length: 00:08:26

**Vatican Responds To Pa. Grand Jury Report On Abuse Of Children By Clergy**

On Tuesday of this week, a grand jury reported that more than a thousand children were sexually abused in Pennsylvania Roman Catholic dioceses in cases stretching back decades.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/20/18

Length: 00:01:36

**Family Acceptance and LGBTQ Youth Suicide Prevention**

September is suicide prevention month and Mississippi mental health advocates are working to combat suicides among LGBTQ youth.

# **ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/16/18

Length: 00:01:47

## **FCC to Fund Expansion of UMMC Telehealth Services**

Mississippi U.S. Senator Roger Wicker joined Federal Communications Commissioner Brendan Carr to announce the agency wants to provide up to \$1 million to help expand telehealth in the state.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 7/17/18

Length: 00:02:28

## **Galileo Would Be Stunned: Jupiter Now Has 79 Moons**

More than 400 years after Galileo Galilei discovered the first of Jupiter's moons, astronomers have found a dozen more — including one they've dubbed "oddball" — orbiting the planet.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 7/25/18

Length: 00:03:45

## **Underground Lake Found On Mars Beneath A Mile Of Ice**

An Italian team of scientists says it has strong evidence of a subsurface lake of liquid water on Mars.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 7/31/18

Length: 00:05:11

## **Hands-On School Garden Teaches Delta Kids About Nutrition**

One in six children in the United States may not have regular access to healthy food, according to the nonprofit, Feeding America.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 8/03/18

Length: 00:03:50

## **Parents Hire Fortnite Coaches To Help Their Kids**

Fortnite, the interactive game where player avatars fight to the death, is the undisputed game of the summer.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 8/31/18

Length: 00:07:27

## **Twitter Public Policy Director On How Company Monitors Content**

Twitter says it's cleaning up the conversation. The social media platform recently eliminated millions of fake accounts.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/05/18

Length: 00:01:05

**Gordon Strikes Mississippi, Many Without Power**

Thousands of Mississippians are still without power as tropical weather moves northward through the state.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/19/18

Length: 00:01:47

**Researchers with Mind Center Gear-up for Dementia Research**

Doctors at the University of Mississippi Medical Center are in the midst of preparing for a research project they hope will break new ground in the study of Dementia.