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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 first quarter of 2014.*

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

MINORITY CONCERNS

Tell Me More

Air Date: 01/10/2014

Length: 0:11:24

Taking The Black Church Back To Its Roots

All Things Considered

Air Date: 01/10/2014

Length: 0:02:15

As Zamata Joins 'SNL,' A Look At - And Beyond - The Prism Of Race

Tell Me More

Air Date: 01/14/2014

Length: 0:08:35

Money Coach: Minorities' Savings Accounts Aren't Adding Up For Retirement

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/20/14 – 12p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:59

Mississippians Urged to Keep Working Toward King's Dream . . . Mississippians are among the millions honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior today. MPB's Paul Boger reports residents are being urged to continue the work Dr. King started over fifty years ago.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/21/14 – 6a, 8a, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:02:09

A Historical Marker is Unveiled at the home of McComb Civil Rights Leader the Late C.C. Bryant . . . "In a region of the country in a state that was seen as the heart of darkness for racism, he was one of those few voices that stood up to that and refused to back down and mentored young people"

Morning Edition

Air Date: 01/23/2014

Length: 0:04:30

A Different Kind Of Catholicism Grows In Latino Communities

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/23/14 – 7a, 12p, 4p Newscast

Length: 0:02:08

Mississippi Immigrants Rights Alliance Outlines It's2014 Legislative Agenda . . . In addition, the group is asking lawmakers to approve in-state college tuition for children who graduate from high school in Mississippi after being brought to the U.S. by parents who lack proper immigration documents. Representative, Cecil Brown of Jackson says 15 states have already adopted similar provisions

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/31/14 – 6a, 7a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:01:45

Miss. Leaders: More Can Be Done To Fix Race Relations . . . Some of Mississippi's top elected officials believe more needs to be done to improve race relations in the state, but as MPB's Paul Boger reports both sides have different opinions on how to reach that goal.

All Things Considered

Air Date: 02/06/2014

Length: 0:03:05

'Vanity Fair' Adds Color To Hollywood's Golden Moment

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/12/14 – 4p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:45

Civil Rights Icon James Meredith Says Youth Should Be Focus . . . Mississippi civil rights icon James Meredith says more needs to be done to help the state's youth.

Here & Now

Air Date: 02/17/2014

Length: 0:08:19

Why Some Networks Are Dropping Special Latino Programming

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/25/14 – 12p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:25

Former CNN Anchor Speaks About Meredith Statue Incident . . . The Meredith statue incident is something that needs to be discussed by the community, says former CNN anchor Soledad O'Brien.

All Things Considered

Air Date: 02/27/2014

Length: 0:04:00

Obama Announces Task Force To Help Young Minority Men

Morning Edition

Air Date: 02/27/2014

Length: 0:04:11

Obama To Launch Initiative To Help Young Black, Latino Men

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/06/14 – 7a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:02:03

Mississippi Gets “C” In Civil Rights Education . . . A new study says Mississippi still has room for improvement in the way it teaches civil rights history.

Morning Edition

Air Date: 03/06/2014

Length: 0:04:19

Democrats Help Block Nominee For DOJ's Top Civil Rights Job

Tell Me More

Air Date: 03/07/2014

Length: 0:13:33

New Look At The Man Behind Black Power

Weekend Edition Sunday

Air Date: 03/09/2014

Length: 0:06:55

Busting Stereotypes To Become A Prima Ballerina

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/19/14 – 6a 8a Newscast

Length: 0:01:55

Summit Focuses on Saving Young Black Males . . . Derrick Johnson, State President of the NAACP gave a chilling account of what's happening to young Black men.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/11/14 – 12p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:53

African Americans Are Disproportionately Affected by Kidney Disease In Mississippi . . . Kidney Diseases is the seventh leading cause of death in Mississippi, but as MPB's Paul Boger reports African Americans are nearly four times more likely to suffer from the disease than Caucasians

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/19/14 – 6a, 12p Newscasts

Length: 0:01:55

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EDUCATION

All Things Considered

Air Date: 01/03/2014

Length: 0:02:40

The NSA's Quantum Code-Breaking Research Is No Secret

Morning Edition

Air Date: 01/06/2014

Length: 0:02:08

Financial Benefits Of A College Degree Accumulate

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/09/14 – 7a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:01:40

Mississippi's Largest Business Group Affirms Support For Common Core . . . MEC
president says standards are needed

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/14/14 – 6a, 8a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:01:35

Speaker Gunn: Time To Raise Teacher Pay . . . Its been seven years since the last teacher pay raise.

Here & Now

Air Date: 01/14/2014

Length: 0:06:06

Study Questions Benefit Of Gifted Education Programs

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/22/14 – 7a, 4p Newscasts

Length: 0:02:03

Mississippi Community Colleges Streamlining Remedial Courses . . . Some lawmakers worry that remedial education wastes state money

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/28/14 – 4p, 5p Newscasts

Length: 0:01:58

LeFlore County School District Seen As Example For More District Consolidation . . .
Some lawmakers want to speed up the number of consolidations.

Here & Now

Air Date: 01/29/2014

Length: 0:07:09

Report Reveals Millions Without Access to Early Education

Weekend Edition Saturday

Air Date: 02/01/2014

Length: 0:02:37

The High Cost Of Testing For College

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/11/12 – 12p, 4p Newscasts

Length: 0:01:56

Scott County Residents Waiting For Gov to Decide Schools Fate . . . Residents of Scott County are waiting on Governor Phil Bryant to decide whether or not to place all schools in the district under state control. MPB's Paul Boger reports safety concerns and allegations of mismanagement have left residents wanting change.

Weekend Edition Sunday

Air Date: 02/16/2014

Length: 0:04:44

Schools Fall Behind In Helping Students With Mental Health Issues

All Things Considered

Air Date: 02/18/2014

Length: 0:03:34

Music Education For Creativity, Not A Tool For Test Scores

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/21/14 – 6a, 7a Newscast

Length: 0:01:32

Mississippi Democrats Warn That Special Ed Vouchers Could Lead To Funding Of Private Schools . . . Democrats say the money would be impossible to track.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/26/14 – 12p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:56

Community College Officials Rally at State Capitol for Additional Funding . . . "We have a little more than half the college students in the state of Mississippi but the community colleges only receive 7% of state funds."

Fresh Air

Air Date: 02/27/2014

Length: 0:38:27

Neil DeGrasse Tyson Explains Why The Cosmos Shouldn't Make You Feel Small

Tell Me More

Air Date: 03/03/2014

Length: 0:11:26

To Get More Women In Tech, Start At Home And School

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/05/14 – 4p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:47

Lawmakers Say Miss. Should Focus on Vocational Training . . . Some Mississippi lawmakers want to focus on creating a larger workforce in the state. MPB's Paul Boger reports many believe the solution lies in more vocational training.

Here & Now

Air Date: 03/07/2014

Length: 0:07:54

New Rules Press Colleges To Improve Sexual Assault Procedures

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/13/14 – 7a, 4p Newscasts

Length: 0:01:49

Miss. Mayors Are Urging Lawmakers To Fully Fund Public Education . . . Mississippi lawmakers are weeks away from finalizing the 2015 budget, and mayors from around the state are urging legislators to fully fund public education. MPB's Paul Boger reports city leaders say cuts in educational spending are having a negative affect on the their communities.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/18/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:01:58

Efforts are Underway to Give More Financial Aid to the State's Neediest College Students . . . "My experiences for my freshman year, I barely got all my costs covered."

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/19/14 – 12p, 4p Newscast

Length: 0:03:50

Common Core Standards Come to Miss. Classrooms . . . Although many teachers and students here have embraced the new standards, the transition has been a heavy lift. Veteran teachers have thrown out years of lesson plans. Some districts have resorted to pricey consultants to develop plans for them.

ECONOMY

Here & Now

Air Date: 01/01/2014

Length: 0:04:30

Economists Predict Good Cheer For The New Year

Tell Me More

Air Date: 01/02/2014

Length: 0:17:00

Top Global Stories To Watch In 2014

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 1/13/14 – 4p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:47

Sales Tax Increase Could Solve Jackson's Infrastructural Woes . . . Residents of Jackson will head to the polls Tuesday, to decide if a one percent sales tax will be an efficient way to raise money to fix the city's infrastructure. MPB's Paul Boger reports the proposed tax is seeing widespread support.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/14/14 – 7a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:01:39

Miss Auto Workers Head to Detroit to Call for Union . . . Auto workers and community leaders are again calling on Nissan to allow employees the chance to vote on whether or not to unionize here in Mississippi. MPB's Paul Boger reports workers are using the North American International Auto Show in Detroit to protest what they see as threats and intimidation from Nissan.

Tell Me More

Air Date: 01/16/2014

Length: 0:08:44

New Hope In Southeastern Kentucky 'Promise Zone'

Morning Edition

Air Date: 01/22/2014

Length: 0:03:33

Banks Challenged By Economy Despite Positive Earnings

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/24/14 – 12p, 4p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:53

Biloxi Businesses Hope Stadium Will Bring Boost . . . As the city breaks ground on a new \$36 million stadium, Biloxi business owners talk about what they hope to see from baseball.

Here & Now

Air Date: 02/04/2014

Length: 0:08:24

What Airline Hub Closures Mean For Communities

Here & Now

Air Date: 02/05/2014

Length: 0:04:11

Stock Market Volatility Jumps In 2014

All Things Considered

Air Date: 02/10/2014

Length: 0:03:43

With Wallets Bulging, States Must Decide How To Spend Their Cash

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/10/14 – 12p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:02:14

Banks, Credit Unions Offering Alternatives To Payday Loans . . . Some Mississippi banks and credit unions are offering alternatives to pay day loans.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/10/14 – 12p, 5p Newscasts

Length: 0:02:14

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News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 2/25/14 – 12p, 4p Newscasts

Length: 0:01:36

Mississippians Keep Close Eye on Proposed Defense Cuts . . . Mississippians are reacting to the Pentagon's latest proposal for defense spending cuts. As MPB's Evelina Burnett reports, the military is a big piece of the Gulf Coast's economy, so any cuts could have a ripple effect throughout the community.

Here & Now

Air Date: 02/25/2014

Length: 0:07:51

Home Prices See Biggest Annual Gain Since 2005

All Things Considered

Air Date: 03/04/2014

Length: 0:04:35

Severe Weather Socks The Economy, But Full Impact Is Unclear

Here & Now

Air Date: 03/07/2014

Length: 0:07:19

U.S. Employers Add 175,000 Jobs In February

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/09/14 – 5p Newscasts

Length: 0:02:17

Estimate Says Minimum Wage Increase Could Cost 9,100 Jobs in Mississippi . . .

Mississippi could lose more than 9,000 jobs if the nation's minimum wage is increased to \$10.10 an hour. That's according to an estimate by a state economic analyst who says employers will cut workers to stay competitive. But, as MPB's Evelina Burnett reports, some argue Mississippians need the raise.

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News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/16/14 – 4p, 5p Newscast

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New Flood Program Changes Good News For Coast Real Estate . . . The Mississippi coast real estate industry is breathing a sigh of relief now that a bill to roll back some flood insurance rate hikes appears certain to get signed into law.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/27/14 – 7a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:01:38

Mississippi Legislature Passes Four 'Anti-union' Bills . . . The bills now go to the governor.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND POLITICS

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/02/14 – 7a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:01:56

Congress May Revisit Military Retiree Cost-of-Living Cuts . . . The 113th U.S. Congress reconvenes next week. MPB spoke to Mississippi's Fourth District Congressman Steven Palazzo recently to see what he's looking toward in 2014.

All Things Considered

Air Date: 01/03/2014

Length: 0:06:37

Political Roundup

Morning Edition

Air Date: 01/09/2014

Length: 0:03:57

Interior Secretary Wants To Create Jobs For Conservationists

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/10/14 – 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:29

Mississippi House Passes Concussion Bill . . . Bill is aimed at protecting young athletes

Morning Edition

Air Date: 01/13/2014

Length: 0:07:48

Balance Of Power At Stake In High Court Case

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/15/14 – 12p, 4p, 5p

Length: 0:01:39

Government Now Largest Employer in Mississippi . . . Government has become the largest employer in Mississippi. MPB's Paul Boger reports statistics show that both state and local government employment has grown by almost 25 percent since the early nineties.

News Morning Edition

Air Date: 01/16/2014

Length: 0:04:28

Jobs Pitchman Takes Labor Department's Show On the Road

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 01/29/14 – 6a, 8a, 12p Newscast
Length: 0:01:46

Congressional Delegation Has Mixed Reactions to State of the Union . . . Mississippi's Congressional Delegation has mixed reactions to the President Obama's fifth State of the Union Address. MPB's Paul Boger reports some members of the delegation believe the Presidents proposals may not be good for the Magnolia state.

All Things Considered (Weekend)
Air Date: 02/02/2014
Length: 0:10:58
Obama's State Of The Union And Your Economic Reality

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 02/04/14 – 12p, 4p Newscast
Length: 0:01:53

Democrats in the Legislature are Continuing their Push for Medicaid Expansion in the State . . . "I'm a conservative generally speaking and not for government expansion per say. But it's an economic issue not a government expansion issue. There are people that need healthcare that are not getting it. Hospitals are serving those people and in some cases are not getting paid for it. And we are turning down billions of dollars."

All Things Considered
Air Date: 02/06/2014
Length: 0:03:30
With Pension Cuts Looming, Vets Get Mobilized

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Length: 0:03:30
With Pension Cuts Looming, Vets Get Mobilized

Morning Edition
Air Date: 02/19/2014
Length: 0:04:51
Los Angeles Mayor States The Basics Have Been Neglected For Too Long

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 2/27/14 – 12p, 4p Newscasts
Length: 0:01:47

Miss. Lawmakers Urging Business Leaders to Push For Infrastructure Repair . . . Some Mississippi lawmakers are urging business leaders to support an increase in the state's gas tax so that improvements can be made on crumbling infrastructure. MPB's Paul Boger reports transportation officials believe if the state's prominent economic leaders become involved, the legislature will be forced to take action.

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 2/28/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast
Length: 0:01:53

Mississippi's Tea Party Turns Five . . . Will the Tea party Still matter in five more years?

Here & Now

Air Date: 03/05/2014
Length: 0:04:15

Tea Party Influence Uncertain After Texas Primary Races

Weekend Edition Sunday

Air Date: 03/09/2014
Length: 0:04:03

Libertarians Move In To Make A Small New Hampshire Town Even Smaller

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 03/10/14 – 7a, 12p Newscast
Length: 0:01:17

The City of Jackson is Moving Forward to Elect a New Mayor . . . Authorities say they are expecting a long list of mayoral candidates seeking to replace Lumumba, including some who ran last term.

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 03/18/14 – 8a, 12p Newscast
Length: 0:02:01

Criminal Justice Reforms Could Soon Be On Governor's Desk . . . A bill that would create a set of sweeping reforms in Mississippi's criminal justice system is another step closer to becoming law. MPB's Paul Boger reports the measure cleared the Senate, but members of the House say they want to take a closer look at the legislation.

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 03/27/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast
Length: 0:02:00

Gay Rights Groups Want Marriage Ban Overturned . . . Gay rights groups are calling on Mississippi lawmakers to reevaluate the state's stance on same-sex marriage. As MPB's Paul Boger reports activist groups believe a cultural shift is causing more residents to support marriage equality.

HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE

All Things Considered

Air Date: 01/01/2014

Length: 0:02:26

Despite Good Deals On Health Plans, Sign-Ups Still Slow Mississippi

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/02/14 – 12p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:31

Miss Experiencing Higher Than Average Flu Season . . . Mississippi is experiencing higher than average flu activity this season. MPB's Paul Boger reports state health officials are urging residents to take preventative measures before it's too late.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/10/14 – 6a, 8a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:02:01

State Sees Drop in Youth Smoking; Adults Smoking Rates Still High . . . Fifty years after a pivotal report on smoking in America, Mississippi still has many adult smokers -- but youth smoking has dropped.

All Things Considered

Air Date: 01/15/2014

Length: 0:04:32

After Checking Blood Pressure, Kiosks Give Sales Leads To Insurers

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/16/14 – 6a, 8a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:02:01

Study Finds Obesity Rates May Be Under-reported, Especially In Some Regions . . . Obesity rates in Mississippi and across the U.S. may actually be higher than usually reported. But a new study published this week says the Magnolia state's obesity rates may not be the worst in the nation.

Morning Edition

Air Date: 01/17/2014

Length: 0:04:12

Surgeon General Report Breaks New Ground On E-Cigarettes

Here & Now

Air Date: 01/29/2014

Length: 0:04:09

Study: Yoga Benefits Breast Cancer Survivors

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/31/14 – 7a, 12p, 4p Newscast

Length: 0:01:54

Miss. Adopts New Law to Fight Concussion in Student Athletes . . . "As I kept on hitting my vision began to blur, my head began to throb and I knew something was wrong. At that very moment I went into a coma. My coma lasted for 18 days but to me it was as if I was in a coma for five months because I don't remember five months of my life."

All Things Considered

Air Date: 02/04/2014

Length: 0:03:39

Sweet Tooth Gone Bad: Why 22 Teaspoons Of Sugar Per Day Is Risky

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/07/14 – 6a, 8a, 12p

Length: 0:00:55

State Could Soon Require Flu Vaccine Offer For Seniors . . . Hospitals would have to offer a vaccine during flu season

Tell Me More

Air Date: 02/10/2014

Length: 0:09:10

Behind Closed Doors: The Truth About Miscarriage: Being In 'Gestational Limbo'

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/10/14 – 12p, 4p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:02:05

African Americans Hit Hardest by HIV/AIDS . . . African Americans account for more than three quarters of all newly diagnosed HIV cases in Mississippi; making them eight times more likely than whites to contract the disease. As MPB's Paul Boger reports some are calling the disproportionate a civil rights issue.

Morning Edition

Air Date: 02/18/2014

Length: 0:04:28

More US Companies Switch To High Deductible Health Plans

All Things Considered

Air Date: 02/21/2014

Length: 0:06:28

For More Organ Donors, Just Head To The Local DMV

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/25/14 – 12p, 4p Newscast

Length: 0:02:04

Dental Problems in Children on the Rise in Mississippi . . . Nearly one third of Mississippi's children have one or more dental health problems including tooth loss and sever tooth decay. MPB's Paul Boger reports oral healthcare providers are trying to reverse a trend that they believe is on the rise.

All Things Considered

Air Date: 02/27/2014

Length: 0:04:00

Back Of The Box Gets A Makeover With New Food Labels

All Things Considered

Air Date: 03/05/2014

Length: 0:03:55

A Third Of Nursing Home Patients Harmed By Their Treatment

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/07/14 – 6a, 8a Newscasts

Length: 0:01:37

Rural Mississippians Will Soon Have Greater Access To Healthcare . . . More rural Mississippians will soon be able to get the same healthcare options that their counterparts in metro areas receive. MPB's Paul Boger reports a partnership between the University of Mississippi Medical Center and the federal government will incorporate ten rural hospitals into the state's growing tele-medicine system.

Weekend Edition Saturday

Air Date: 03/08/2014

Length: 0:03:40

Reaching The Young And Uninsured On A Texas Campus

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/14/14 – 12p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:29

Governor Set To Sign Drug Testing Law For Welfare Recipients . . . Governor Phil Bryant is set to sign a bill that would require some Mississippians who are recipients of a nutritional assistance program known as TANF to take a drug test. As MPB's Paul Boger reports supporters say the legislation will help those struggling with addiction, while opponents believe it will unfairly single out the poor.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/24/14 – 7a, 4p Newscast

Length: 0:01:59

More Screenings Help Lower Colon Cancer Rates . . . Colon cancer rates in Mississippi are going down, but the state still has the highest rate of the disease in the nation.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/27/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:02:07

New Report Ranks Health of Mississippi Counties . . . “The biggest issue in Mississippi in this ranking is opportunity for economic improvement because that would improve health.”

CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

All Things Considered

Air Date: 01/01/2014

Length: 0:03:50

Simple, Cheap Health Remedies Cut Child Mortality In Ethiopia

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/03/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:01:16

13-thousand Mississippians Lose Unemployment Benefits . . . Nearly 40-thousand could lose benefits by year's end

News Segment (Local Production)

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State Sees Drop in Youth Smoking; Adults Smoking Rates Still High . . . Fifty years after a pivotal report on smoking in America, Mississippi still has many adult smokers -- but youth smoking has dropped.

Weekend Edition Sunday

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Trans-racial Family Gets Double-Takes 'Everywhere We Go'

All Things Considered (Weekend)

Air Date: 01/18/2014

Length: 0:03:43

Report: Former Pope Benedict Defrocked Hundreds Of Abusive Priests

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/21/14 – 12p, 5p Newscasts

Length: 0:01:50

Delta Residents Are Calling For Full MAEP Funding . . . Parents and teachers from the Mississippi Delta are calling on lawmakers to fully fund the Mississippi Adequate Education Program. MPB's Paul Boger reports advocates believe funding shortfalls have had negative affect on the state's poorest schools.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/28/14 – 12p, 5p

Length: 0:01:42

Annual Survey Tracks Homelessness In Mississippi . . . Social service agencies and volunteers are heading out to the streets, soup kitchens, woods and beaches this week to survey the number of homeless in Mississippi.

Morning Edition

Air Date: 01/28/2014

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The Annual Awards For Children's Books Are Out

Weekend Edition Saturday

Air Date: 02/08/2014

Length: 0:04:15

Millennials Happy To Stay With Mom And Dad

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/13/14 – 4p, 5p Newscasts

Length: 0:01:54

Advocacy Group Launches Housing Discrimination Project . . . The Mississippi Center for Justice is launching a new statewide project to combat unfair practices in housing.

All Things Considered (Weekend)

Air Date: 02/16/2014

Length: 0:05:13

Fumbling Through 'Fatherhood,' Even With The Best Advice

Tell Me More

Air Date: 02/18/2014

Length: 0:17:38

Mocha Moms: Bringing Up Olympians: Athletes' Parents Shed Their Own Blood, Sweat And Tears

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/24/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:01:56

Eating Disorders Awareness Could Save Lives . . . More than 70-thousand women and 30-thousand men in Mississippi have been diagnosed with having an eating disorder. As MPB's Paul Boger reports mental health groups are trying to create awareness of a disease that can prove fatal.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/25/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:02:07

Child Care Advocates Worry Finger Scan System Will Deter Families From Program . . .

Mississippians will have another chance at a public hearing Wednesday to comment on a plan by the state to use finger scanning for checking kids in and out of daycare. The scanners are for families who receive federal assistance for child care.

Here & Now

Air Date: 02/26/2014

Length: 0:04:56

Report Finds Obesity Rate Falls For Young Children

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 02/26/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:01:49

Parents of Special Needs Children Favor School Voucher Legislation . . . Parents of Mississippi's special needs children favor a set of bills that would give them a six-thousand dollar education voucher for private schools. But as MPB's Paul Boger reports opponents of the measure believe the program would take money away from the state's cash-strapped public education system.

Tell Me More

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'The Father Factor' In Kids' Lives

All Things Considered

Air Date: 03/06/2014

Length: 0:04:50

Second Baby Cleared Of HIV. Rare Event, Or Hope For Others?

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/20/14 – 7a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:01:43

Elementary Students in Jackson are Learning to Kick Butts-Cigarette Butts that is...

"Health wise it can be bad for their brains, their lungs so therefore we're learning. They need their brains and a healthy brain to be successful students."

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/21/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

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Recent Disasters May Be Behind Coast's High Child Abuse Rates . . . Counties on the Mississippi coast seem to have more incidents of child abuse than other parts of the state.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/25/14 – 4p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:35

Gay Mississippi Couples To Seek A Marriage License . . . At least five gay couples plan to request a marriage license.

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All Things Considered

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Cork Versus Screw Cap: Don't Judge A Wine By How It's Sealed

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/03/14 – 7a, 12p Newscast

Length: 0:00:51

HUD Audit Questions Post-Katrina Water Grants . . . A new report by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of the Inspector General is questioning some appraisals and population estimates used in the state's post-Katrina water and wastewater utility grants.

Here & Now

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Winter Storm Grounds Thousands Of Flights, Disrupts Travel

All Things Considered

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How The Hackers Did It: A Discussion About Target's Data Breach

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/13/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

Length: 0:02:20

Stennis Test Stands Face Scrutiny . . . Two test stands at Mississippi's Stennis Space Center have been under scrutiny lately by NASA's own inspector general.

Morning Edition

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Brain Games: Move Objects With Your Mind To Find Inner Calm?

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 01/24/14 – 12p, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:44

Miss Children Urged to Not Share Too Much on Web . . . Mississippi parents and children are being warned about the dangers of sharing too much information on the internet. MPB's Paul Boger reports keeping passwords secret, and learning to avoid scams, can keep kids safe while browsing the web.

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 01/28/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast
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Emergency Declared as Winter Storm Hits Mississippi . . . Nearly half of Mississippi is expected to experience a severe winter storm starting this morning. Governor Phil Bryant has declared a state of emergency and as MPB's Paul Boger reports the arctic blast is expected to dump snow, sleet and ice on much of the southern portion of the state.

Morning Edition
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Drought Forces California Farmers To Cut Back On Planting

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 02/04/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast
Length: 0:01:50

State Website Acts As Tool For Mississippi Job Seekers . . . Mississippi's unemployment rate is at its lowest point since 2009, but it still lags behind the rest of the country. MPB's Paul Boger reports state officials believe a new website matching job-seekers with employers will bring the state closer to full employment.

Morning Edition
Air Date: 02/04/2014
Length: 0:03:59
After 400 Years, Mount Sinabung Erupts

All Things Considered
Air Date: 02/10/2014
Length: 0:06:02
All Tech Considered: That's Just Like 'Her': Could We Ever

News Segment (Local Production)
Air Date: 02/12/14 – 12p, 4p Newscast
Length: 0:01:51

Miss Legislature Prepared to Extended DNA Testing . . . The Mississippi senate is set to debate a bill that would allow law enforcement to take DNA samples of those arrested for violent offenses. MPB's Paul Boger reports state officials believe the collection of DNA would help bring an end to unsolved crimes while at the same time exonerate those wrongfully convicted.

News Segment (Local Production)
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Stennis Center Embarks On New Era Of Space Program . . . Stennis Space Center in Hancock County is remaining busy as the space program enters a new era.

Morning Edition

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Industry Challenges EPA's Greenhouse Gas Rules In High Court

Here & Now

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Major Bitcoin Exchange Shuts Down

Here & Now

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France Has A New Plan To Deal With Nuclear Waste

Tell Me More

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Global Insight On Drawing Girls To Tech

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/12/14 – 6a, 5p Newscast

Length: 0:02:03

Corps Plan Hopes To Restore Mississippi Barrier Islands . . . The Army Corps of Engineers plans to spend more than \$300 million to restore Mississippi's barrier islands. As MPB's Evelina Burnett reports, the chain of islands along the southern end of the Mississippi Sound are the state's first line of defense from storms.

News Segment (Local Production)

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Miss. Mayors Are Urging Lawmakers To Fully Fund Public Education . . . Mississippi lawmakers are weeks away from finalizing the 2015 budget, and mayors from around the state are urging legislators to fully fund public education. MPB's Paul Boger reports city leaders say cuts in educational spending are having a negative effect on the their communities.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/20/14 – 6a, 8a Newscast

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New Rules For BP Business Claims Are Issued . . . Payments for some business loss claims have been on hold since October.

News Segment (Local Production)

Air Date: 03/24/14 – 5p Newscast

Length: 0:01:37

New Report Says Shrimpers Throw Away More Than They Catch . . . A new report says shrimpers in the southeast throw away 64 percent of everything they catch, including fish, sharks and turtles.