

Quarterly Issues and Program List

WHLT-TV

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Pursuant to the disclosure requirements in 47 C.F. R. 73.3526(11)(i), and during the quarter referenced above, this station provided information to its viewers regarding the following significant issues, including:

- Community
- Crime/Law Enforcement
- Education
- Government (Local)
- Health/Healthcare
- Politics

Programs

Channel	Issue	Time	Date	Duration (Seconds)	Title of Program	Brief Narrative Description
22.1	Education	12pm	1/4/2024	2:00	12 News at Noon	The Mississippi Association of Educators gathered outside The State Capitol Building touting their "Raise Mississippi" campaign. It's the association's latest push for more Public Education Funding.

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22.1	Politics	10:30am	1/14/2024	21:00	Mississippi Insight	Governor Tate Reeves was sworn in to begin his second and final term as the 65th Governor of Mississippi this morning. He spoke to a joint session of the legislature with bold plans in mind for the future of the state and more with 12 News' Byron Brown.
22.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	10pm	1/17/2024	2:00	12 News at Ten	Mar-Jac Poultry Plant in Hattiesburg is being fined hundreds of thousands of dollars by the U.S. Department of Labor for unsafe practices. This comes after the death of a Mar-Jac employee last summer. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke to a former OSHA agent who says the department's findings are a cause for concern.
22.1	Government (Local)	5pm	1/22/2024	2:00	12 News at 5pm	Forrest County officials are addressing concerns over the closing of the Old East Hardy Bridge, which connects Hattiesburg to Petal. Business owners on both sides of the bridge fear losing customers and construction delays. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke to leaders about those concerns.
22.1	Community	5pm	1/23/2024	1:50	12 News at 5pm	A once-thriving part of Hattiesburg is one step closer to returning to its former glory. City leaders have hired a consultant to help revitalize Broadway Drive. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke with the mayor and a local business owner about the area's potential.

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22.1	Health/Healthcare	6pm	1/26/2024	2:00	12 News at 6pm	The National Guardsman from Hattiesburg, who suffered a severe heat stroke while training at Camp Shelby last August is back home. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke with Cobly Maury-Rice and his mother about his miraculous recovery.
22.1	Government (Local)	5pm	2/7/2024	1:40	12 News at 5pm	A Pine Belt shelter recently received a grant from Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch to help Victims of Human Trafficking. The grant comes from The Human Trafficking and Commercial Exploitation Fund. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke to the shelter's director to find out how the funds will be used.
22.1	Community	12pm	2/13/2024	2:30	12 News at Noon	A Children's Advocacy Group is helping to bring much-needed services to children of abuse in the Pine Belt. Cherished Hearts Advocacy Center will soon become only one of 12 Child Advocacy Centers in Mississippi. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke to organizers about the services the facility will provide.

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22.1	Health/Healthcare	5pm	2/19/2024	2:30	12 News at 5pm	A Hattiesburg woman has defied the odds after becoming The University of Alabama Birmingham's second transplant patient to give birth. Brooke Lillie, a two-time transplant recipient, was able to overcome the high risks of pregnancy to give birth to her daughter, Lauren. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke with Lillie about her <u>miracle pregnancy</u>
22.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	6pm	2/21/2024	1:50	12 News at 6pm	It's an issue every city in across the nation is grappling with. As 12 News' Tia McKenzie reports the law enforcement shortage is making it hard for departments, both big and small.
22.1	Politics	10:30am	2/25/2024	21:00	Mississippi Insight	Lawmakers line up bills to expand or modify Medicaid to cover more of Mississippi's workforce. We hear from Lt. Gov. Delbert Hosemann and two stakeholders in the debate.
22.1	Education	12pm	2/27/2024	2:00	12 News at Noon	After years of hard work, Hattiesburg High School was given an A rating from the Mississippi Department of Education. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke with school staff on how they were able to achieve the high rating and how they plan to maintain it.

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22.1	Community	5pm	3/11/2024	1:50	12 News at 5pm	The Forrest County Board of Supervisors and Local Emergency Managers are working to reduce emergency response times in the southern part of the county. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke with officials and ambulance crews about how a new emergency vehicle is helping to deliver care faster.
22.1	Politics	10:30am	3/17/2024	21:00	Mississippi Insight	Several legislative initiatives move forward, including Medicaid expansion and early in-person voting bills. Also, Sen. John Horhn and Russ Latino break down the prospects for the November elections.
22.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	6pm	3/18/2024	2:00	12 News at 6pm	Traffic cameras could soon be used to stop speeding in school zones in Hattiesburg. Mayor Toby Barker is proposing a pilot run for placing cameras at two local schools. 12 News Brandon Raines has more on how the cameras would be used.
22.1	Health/Healthcare	5pm	3/22/2024	2:00	12 News at 5pm	South Central Regional Medical Center in Laurel recently reopened their third-floor west wing. The former Covid-19 unit has been closed for more than a year. But as 12 News Brandon Raines explains, the hospital hopes the refurbished floor will provide quicker and more accessible care to patients.

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22.1	Education	12pm	3/28/2024	2:15	12 News at Noon	A Special Needs Daycare Center in Ellisville is asking the Board of Alderman to make a zoning exception after the city found the center in violation of the R-1 Residential Zoning Ordinance. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke to the owner, as well as parents of children at the center, who say shutting the center down would be a disservice.
22.1	Government (Local)	5pm	3/29/2024	1:45	12 News at 5pm	Guaranteeing Bridge Safety is part of Forrest County's plan to update outdated bridges built with wooden piles. 12 News Brandon Raines spoke with county officials about how the changes will help better secure county bridges.

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The station also aired the following public service announcements during the instant quarter:

Type of Issue	Duration (Seconds)	Title or Narrative
Mental Health/Huntsman Mental Health Institute	30	Love, Your Mind
Substance Abuse/Alcoholism/AA	30	I Have Hope
Wildfire Prevention/US Forestry Service	30	Decades
Retirement/AARP	30	We Say Save It - Manifesto