

EDUCATION WORKS

SUCCESSES IN MISSISSIPPI, 2013-2017



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Education Works Agenda

- The Vision:
 - Promotion Policies for Student Success
 - Quality Teachers and Leaders for Every Student
 - Early Childhood Education
 - School Choices for Mississippi Students
 - College and Career Readiness Standards for All Students



FRAMING MISSISSIPPI'S FUTURE
AN AGENDA FOR CHILDREN

Literacy Based Promotion

- The **Literacy Based Promotion Act- “Third Grade Gate”**
 - Focus on 3rd Grade: from **“Learning to Read”** to **“Reading to Learn”**
 - Kindergarten entry assessment, screening 3 times per year with parent involvement every year through 3rd grade.
 - Use of **reading assessment** to determine promotion to fourth grade
 - Reading Coaches to assist low-performing schools **strengthen core reading instruction**
 - **Re-training of all K-3 teachers on the Science of teaching Reading**

3RD GRADE GATE

YOU SHALL NOT PASS!!



Critics Blast 'Third-Grade Gate'

Jackson Free Press

"JPS could have to retain up to 40 percent of the district's 2,100 third-graders"

"Cats and Dogs. Living together. MASS HYSTERIA!"

- Bill Murray, *Ghostbuster*

More than 5,000 Mississippi third-graders could be held back this year for low reading scores.

Hechinger report

As Mississippi delivers bad news to 5,600 third graders, stressed-out parents say there must be a better way

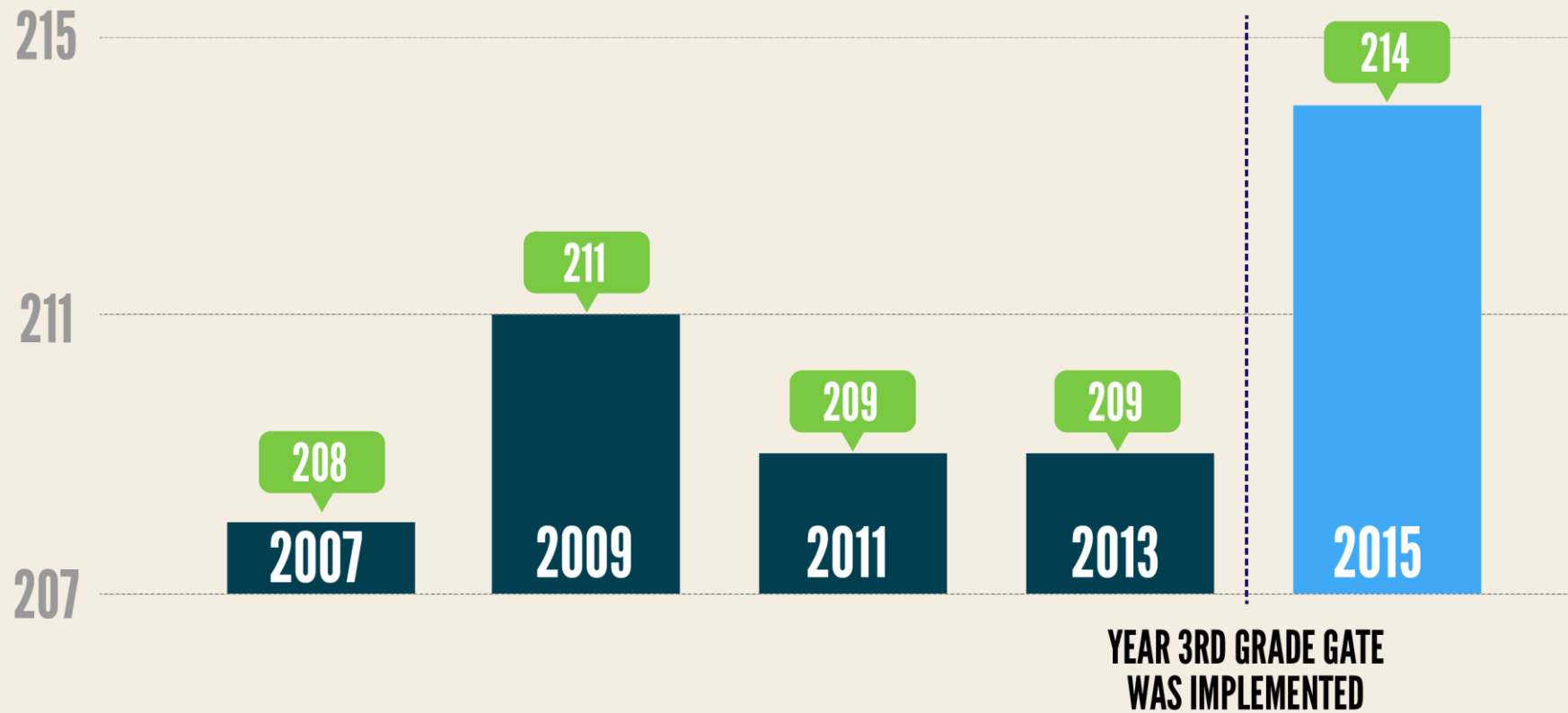
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MISS. THIRD-GRADE GATE:
FEAR OF FAILURE

Clarion Ledger

How Did We Do It?: Literacy Based Promotion

MISSISSIPPI FOURTH GRADE NAEP READING SCORES



How Did We Do It?

Literacy Based Promotion

Welcome to the
4th Grade

92%



3RD GRADE GATE

What We've Accomplished



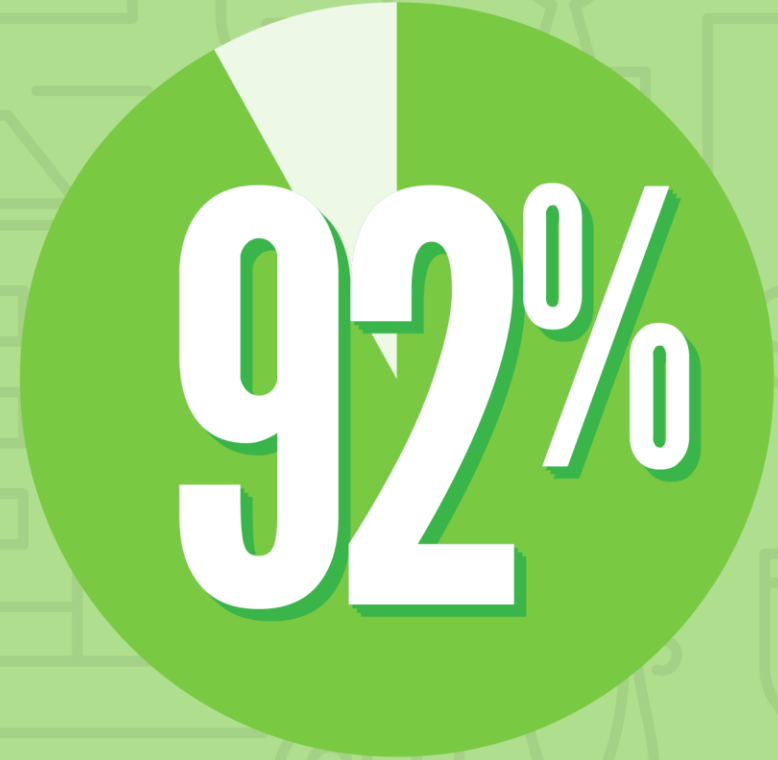
4TH GRADE READING

**6 POINT
INCREASE**



4TH GRADE MATH

**3 POINT
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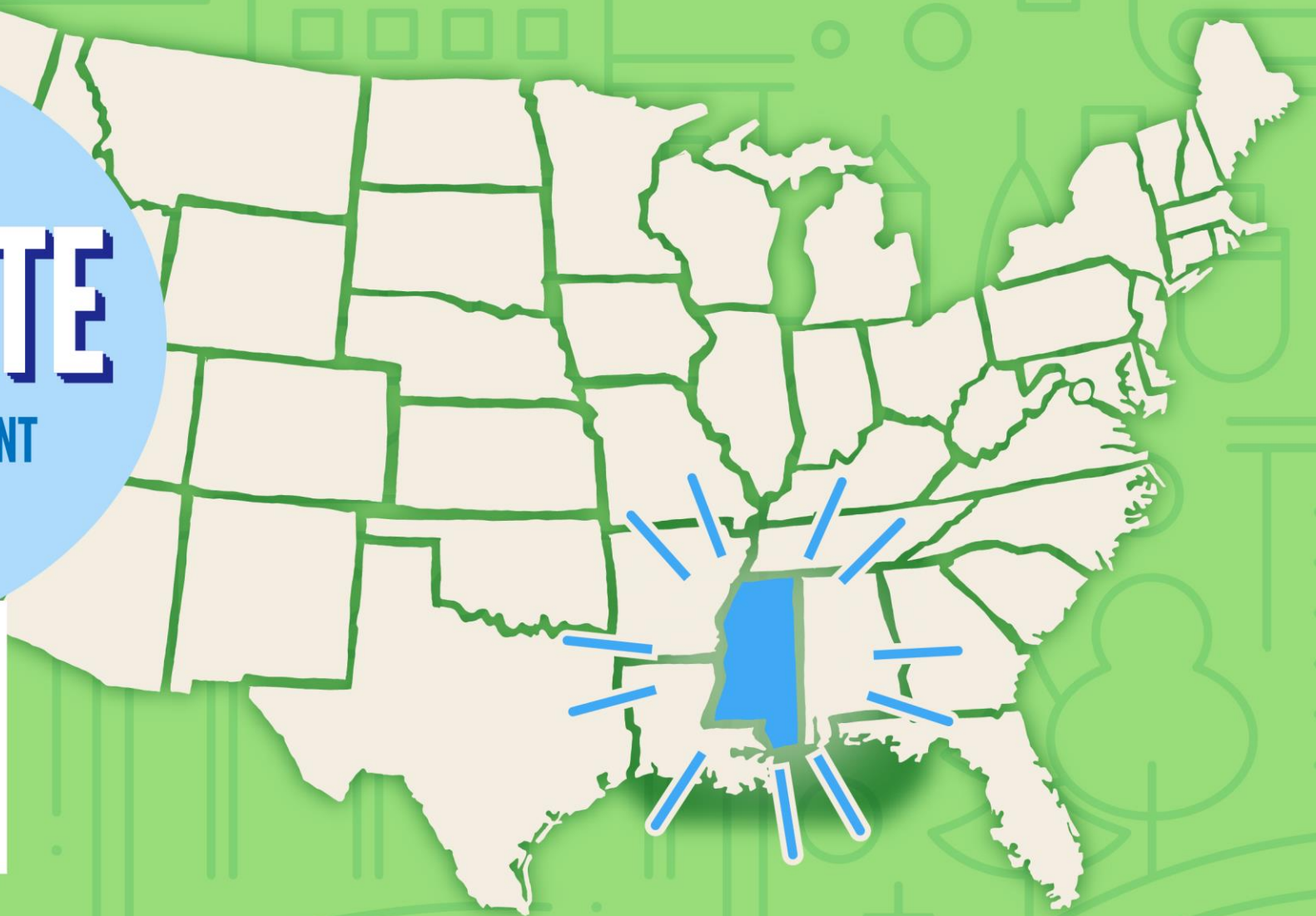
**of 2016-2017 3rd Graders
Achieved a Passing Score on
3rd Grade Reading Assessment**

Education Works:

What We've Accomplished

MISSISSIPPI IS THE
ONLY STATE
TO DEMONSTRATE SIGNIFICANT
INCREASES IN 2015 NAEP

The 
Nation's
Report Card



How Did We Do It?

Early Childhood Education



**A FAMILY-BASED
UNIFIED AND INTEGRATED
EARLY CHILDHOOD SYSTEM**
December 2016



Early Childhood Education

- **Early Learning Collaboratives**
- National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER) recognized Mississippi's Early Learning Collaboratives (ELCs) for meeting **all 10 quality standards** for early childhood education, making Mississippi one of only five states in the nation that meet **all 10 benchmarks**.
- 10 ELCs throughout the state that serve more than 1,700 children. The number of ELCs will increase to 14 for 2017-18.





*Achieving, Demonstrating, and Sustaining
High-Quality Early Care and Learning in Mississippi*



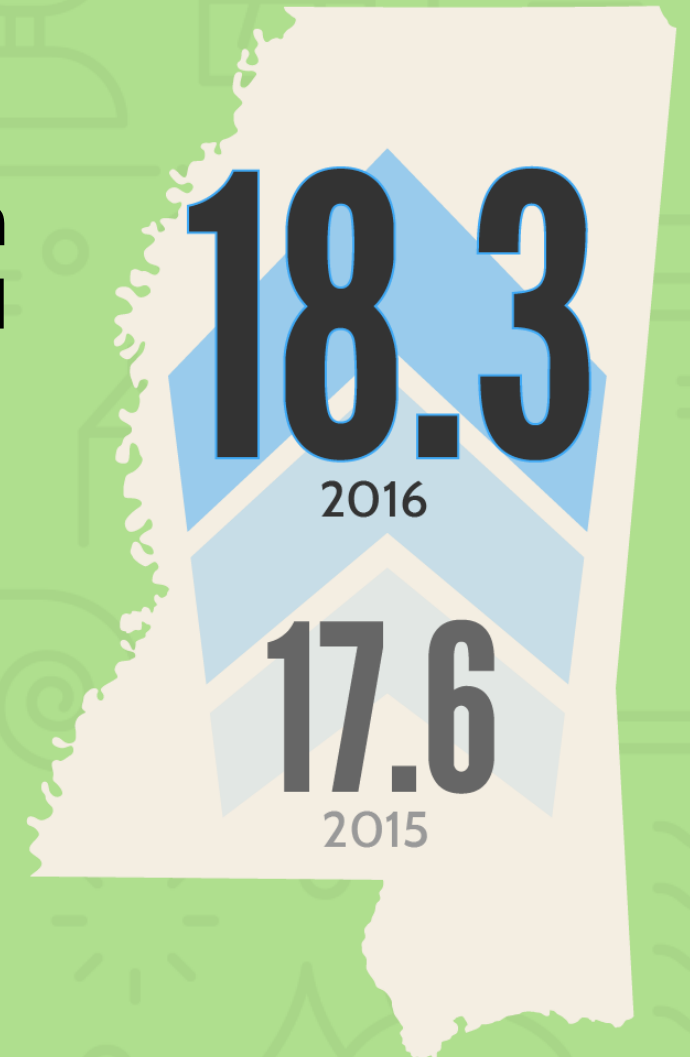
How Did We Do It?

School Choice

- Charter Schools
 - In C,D, or F Districts.
 - Preference to underserved students in the recruitment process and the enrollment process.
- Special Needs Education Savings Account (ESA)
 - 425 students (100 on waiting list).
 - 98 percent of respondents expressed satisfaction with the school or educational program they chose for their child using an ESA.

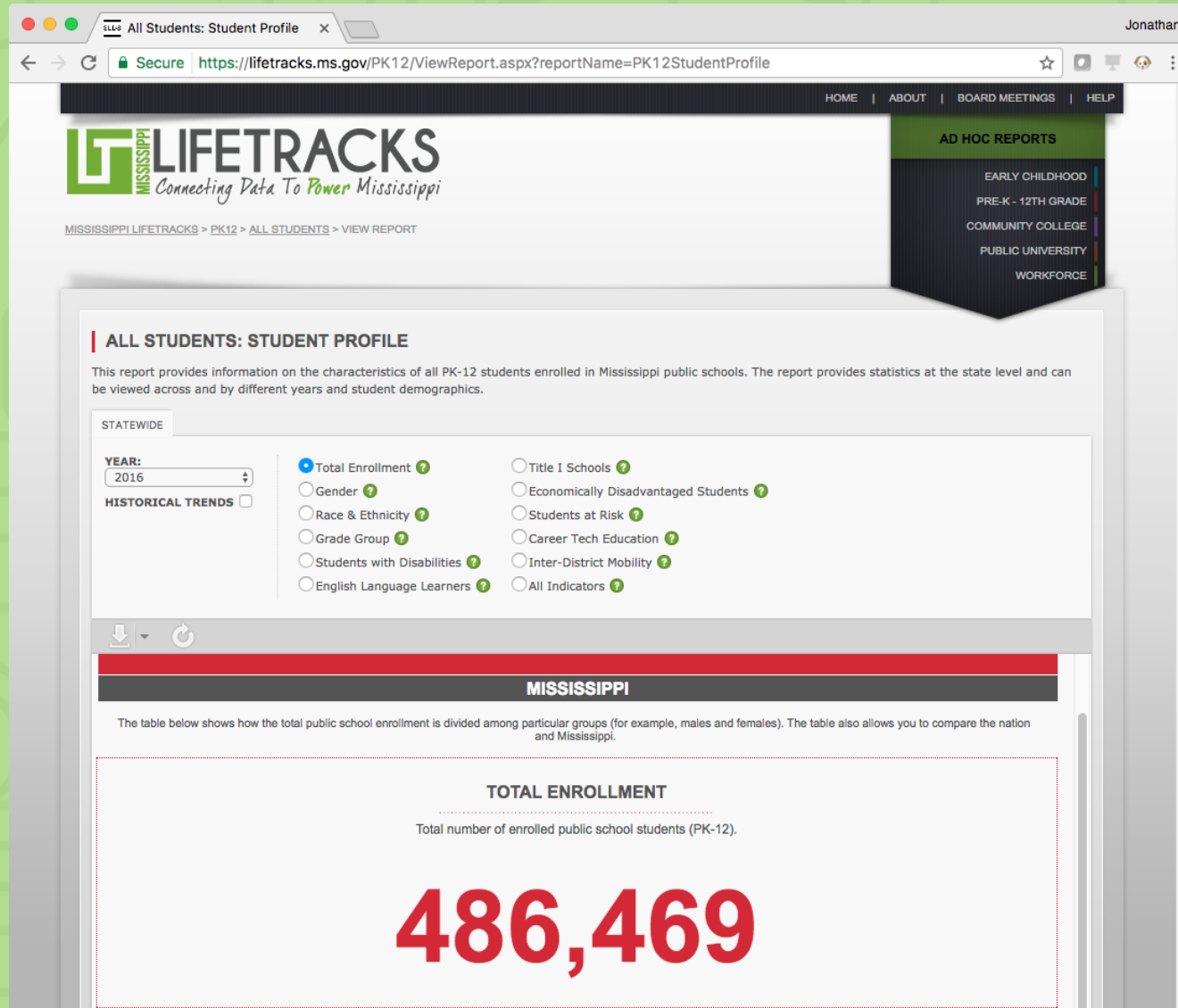
Additional Innovations and Successes

- Graduation rate - all-time high of 82.3%
- **11th grade students earned an overall composite score of 18.3 on the ACT in 2016, an increase from 17.6 in 2015 - gains in English, Math, Reading, and Science.**
- Created a clear A through F rating system for
- Mississippi's schools.
- Raised the standards for becoming a teacher
- Mississippi is fourth in the U.S. in the percentage of teachers who are Board Certified.



How Did We Do It?

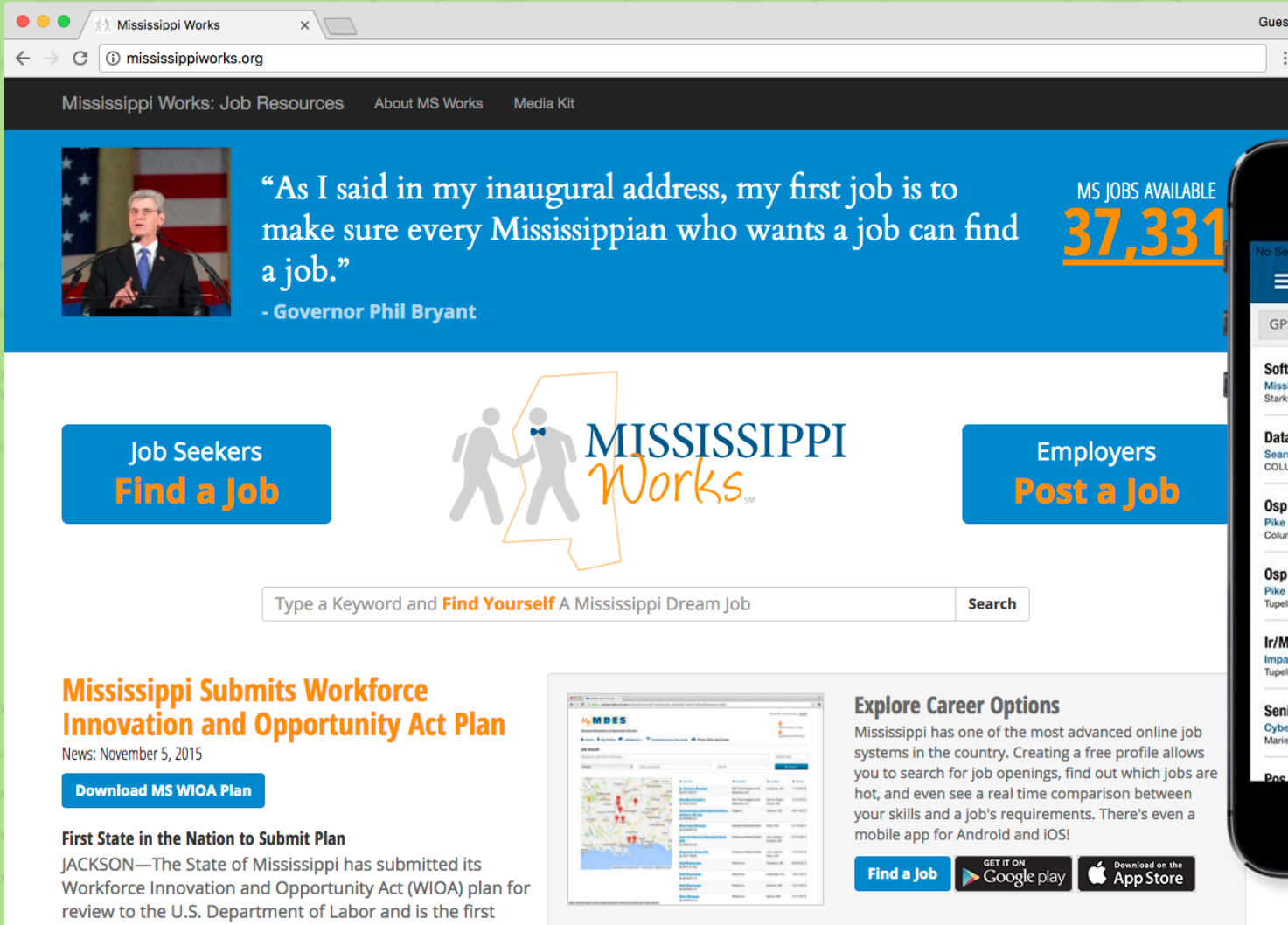
How Longitudinal Data Informed / Drove the Initiative



- **lifetracks.ms.gov**
- State Longitudinal Data System
- Complete Data on Pre-K-12, Higher Learning, Community Colleges, Human Services, Workforce, etc.

Education and Workforce: Mississippi Works

www.mississippiworks.org



The screenshot shows the Mississippi Works website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links to 'Mississippi Works: Job Resources', 'About MS Works', and 'Media Kit'. Below this is a blue banner featuring a quote from Governor Phil Bryant: "As I said in my inaugural address, my first job is to make sure every Mississippian who wants a job can find a job." To the right of the quote, it says 'MS JOBS AVAILABLE 37,331'. Below the banner, there are two large blue buttons: 'Job Seekers Find a Job' and 'Employers Post a Job'. In the center, there's a search bar with the text 'Type a Keyword and Find Yourself A Mississippi Dream Job' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, there's a section titled 'Mississippi Submits Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Plan' with a 'Download MS WIOA Plan' button. To the right of this section, there's a map of Mississippi and a section titled 'Explore Career Options' with a 'Find a Job' button and links to 'GET IT ON Google play' and 'Download on the App Store'.

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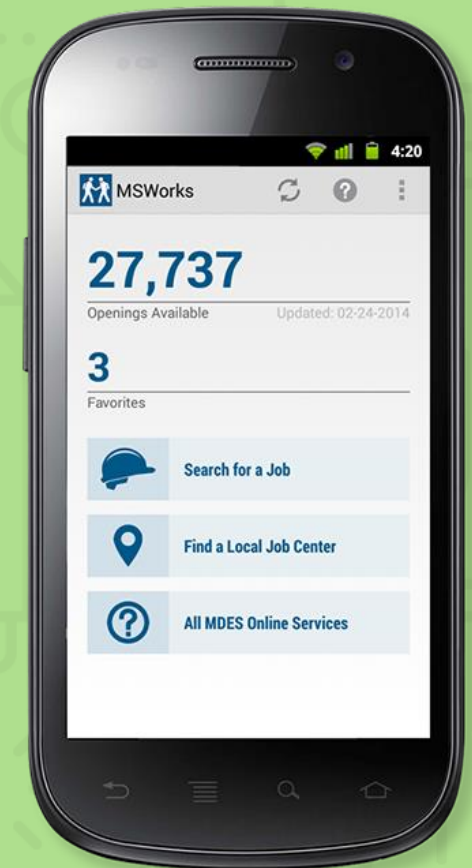
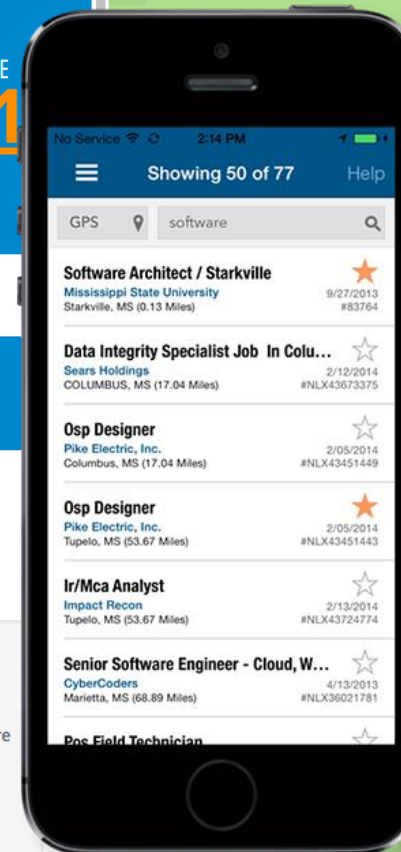
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Mississippi Submits Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Plan
News: November 5, 2015
Download MS WIOA Plan

First State in the Nation to Submit Plan
JACKSON—The State of Mississippi has submitted its Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) plan for review to the U.S. Department of Labor and is the first

Explore Career Options
Mississippi has one of the most advanced online job systems in the country. Creating a free profile allows you to search for job openings, find out which jobs are hot, and even see a real time comparison between your skills and a job's requirements. There's even a mobile app for Android and iOS!

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Education and Workforce: MSGradJobs


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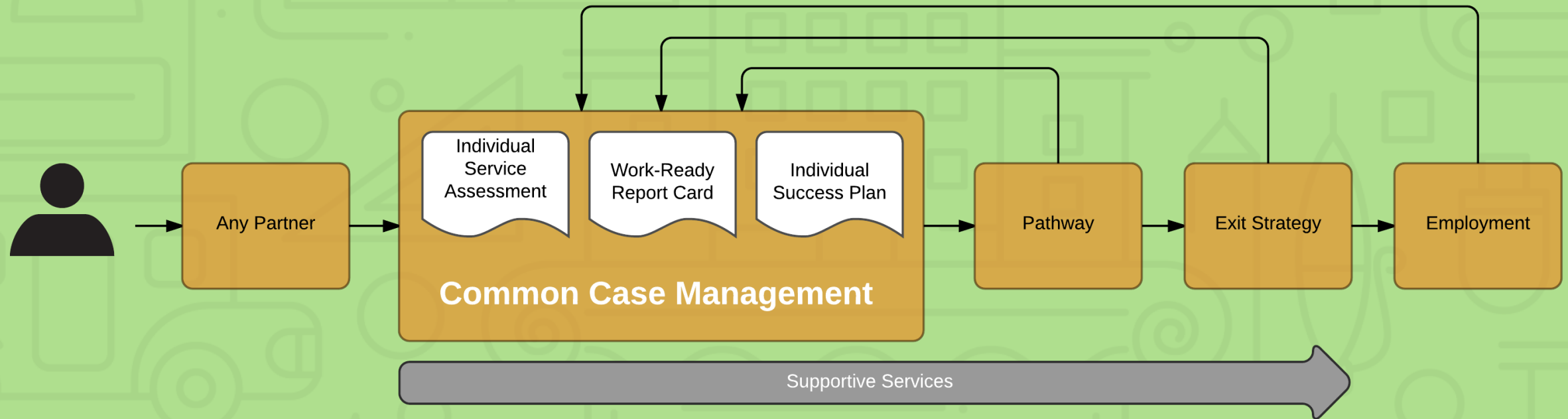
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You can post a job that will be seen by thousands of qualified college graduates.



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Questions?