

News Release

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The Governor's Commission on Physical Fitness and Sports (GCPFS), in collaboration with Mississippi Department of Education's Office of Healthy Schools, is proud to announce the 2007 winners of the Physical Education School Certification Awards. The 8th annual awards ceremony took place Tuesday, March 4 at the Governor's Mansion.

The Excellence in Physical Education School Certification award recognizes public and private schools in Mississippi for promoting quality physical education programs. Applicants can qualify for a Gold, Silver or Bronze level of certification.

Schools who apply for the award are evaluated on frequency of fitness tests, physical education requirements, use of physical education daily lesson plans, and inclusion of a knowledge component, among other criteria. Answers to questions about the criteria determine a point value that is used to determine the Gold, Silver or Bronze certification levels.

The Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports is dedicated to improving the quality of life for Mississippians through the promotion of physical fitness, sports and healthy lifestyles. For more information about the school certification program or GCPFS, contact Cathy Ward at (601) 576-7742 or Cward@msdh.state.ms.us.

GOLD

Margaret Green Junior High (7-8) • Cleveland
Shadow Oaks Elementary • Desoto
Rawls Springs Attendance Center (K-6) • Forrest
Milam Elementary School (4-6) • Lee
Stokes Beard Elementary (PreK-4) • Lowndes
Denman Junior High • McComb
Higgins Middle School (5-6) • McComb
Kennedy Elementary (3-4) • McComb
McComb High School (9-12) • McComb
Otken Elementary (K-2) • McComb
Charlotte Hyatt (k-6) • Moss Point
Ocean Springs Middle (6-8) • Ocean Springs
Northwest Rankin Middle School (6) • Rankin

SILVER

Hunt Intermediate (5-6) • Columbus
Purvis Lower Elementary (Pre K - 2) • Lamar
Madison Avenue Lower Elem. (K-2) • Madison
East Park Elem (K-6) • Moss Point
Escatawpa Elementary (K-6) • Moss Point
Magnolia Junior High (7-8) • Moss Point
Moss Point Alternate (K-4) • Moss Point
Magnolia Park (K-4) • Ocean Springs
Oak Park Elementary (K-4) • Ocean Springs
Pecan Park Elementary (K-4) • Ocean Springs
Della Davidson Elementary (4-5) • Oxford
Gautier Middle School (6-8) • Pascagoula
Martin Bluff Elementary (Pre K - 5) • Pascagoula
Iuka Elementary • Tishomingo
Parkway Elementary (K-3) • Tupelo

BRONZE

Hernando Elementary - (K-1) • Desoto
Hernando Hills Elementary - (2-3) • Desoto
Oak Grove Central Elementary (4-5) • Desoto
Lizana Elementary (K-6) • Harrison
Oak Grove Lower Elementary (2-3) • Lamar
Madison Station Elementary (K-5) • Madison
North Pontotoc Elementary (K5) • Pontotoc County
Central Elementary School (5-6) • West Point