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#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

It is a privilege to be a member of the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors, and an honor to serve as President for the 2024 – 2025 fiscal year. The Board has a legacy of very capable leadership in the president position, most recently held by Mr. Patrick Martino, PS. Mr. Martino provided exceptional leadership through a year of significant transition in personnel, registration protocol and physical re-location of the Board office.

For the first time in the history of the Board we have an Executive Director who has a degree in engineering. Ms. Monica Gilmore holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Mississippi State University. Under her capable leadership the staff is working diligently to review and upgrade procedures and protocols to improve efficiency in all aspects of Board operations.

A team of Board members led by Mr. Steve Twedt, PE, has done an excellent job of re-writing and re-organizing the Rules and Regulations to more concisely reflect the NCEES Model Law and Mississippi Statute. Be on the lookout for the release of the updated rules and regulations in early 2025.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the engineering and surveying professions in the State of Mississippi. We are grateful for your service. Please do not hesitate to call on us as needed.

Carey Hardin, PE Board President 2024 – 2025

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# We've moved!

Please update your records to include our new office location:

455 North Lamar Street, Suite 208

Jackson, MS 39202

Office: 601-359-6160

Email: <u>information@pepls.state.ms.us</u>



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# Board Leadership for the 2024-2025 Fiscal year

Each year at its July meeting, the Board elects new officers. Officers for the 2024 – 2025 fiscal year are:



Board President Carey Hardin, PE Starkville, Mississippi Post 3, 3rd District, Northern, Appointment expires 07/01/2022



Board Vice President Joseph E. Lauderdale, PE Jackson, Mississippi Post 4, 1st District, Central, Appointment expires 07/01/2019



Board Secretary / Treasurer Blake Collins, PS Brandon, Mississippi Post 7, 1st District, Central, Appointment expires 07/01/2024



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# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Engineering Workplace

An article written by Dennis D. Truax, P.E., PhD

A lot is being said about the shortage of engineers. The pool of college-age students is shrinking as the post-war population ripples continue. Worse still, today's youth are questioning the need to take on hundreds of thousands of dollars of debit to get a college education given their perception that the promise of success after graduation is hollow and that debt will prevent them from having the life they expect. So, what is to be done by those of us in this profession?

As professionals, we need to accept the challenge of promoting our profession to high school students and providing resources to the STEM programs that prepare students to pursue the education needed to practice in our professions. Engaging university programs with our time, talent, and resources is also vital. In all cases, we need to craft a positive message of impact, change, and importance which our professions facilitate. Studies repeatedly show that younger generations want to find value in where they work and what they do. Millennials are drawn to mission-driven work.

Furthermore, we must recognize that individual expectations differ based on gender, race, ethnicity, religion, etc. All this means that the workplace must address individual needs and corporate needs alike. It means that rewarding our professionals with money is not the only issue. Work-life balance is valued. It does little good to attract individuals into our profession only to have them leave because they find the workplace hostile, indifferent, or ignorant of their personal and professional goals. Equal is not equitable, and if you do not understand the difference, learn it...quickly.

Additionally, given the shortage of professionals, we must adapt the workplace to facilitate the return of those who left our profession. Decades of cookie cutter management and commoditization of our engineers have disenfranchised uncountable numbers of creative, innovative, and impactful individuals. They can be a valuable resource in meeting workforce needs.

Lastly, we must adapt to a new paradigm of who can do engineering work and how we build a team that ensures the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Is it the best use of an engineering graduate to do drafting, inspection, or site management? Maybe not! Developing a team led by a professional who trains and oversees technicians and technologies helps address a host of the issues we face.



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Congratulations to these successful examinees for the period of January 1, 2024, through September 30, 2024

#### **Fundamentals of Engineering**

Jordan Ainsworth William Anderson Chiedo Atuegwu Chase Aubry James Aultman Joshua Baker Jeremy Barner **Benjamin Bell** Wilson Benton Eric Benton Matthew Bickerstaff Matthew Blacksher Madison Boler Mitchell Bowie Lillian Brav **Travis Brown** Paxton Brown Thadd Buck Nicholas Carl Nathan Chandler **Braxton Chewning** Ethan Claunch Thomas Clemens Jared Collum **Baron Davies** Adara Davis Brandon Dew Colton Diamond Olivia DuPuv Walid l Ahnaf **Breland Ellis** Perry Foster Alexander Gagne Christian Gidlund

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# Exam News:

The **Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) Exam** - The FE exam is designed for recent graduates and students who are close to finishing an undergraduate engineering degree from an EAC/ABET-accredited program. It is a computer-based exam designed and administered by NCEES and available year-round at NCEES-approved Pearson VUE test centers. The FE exam includes 110 questions. A \$225 exam fee is payable directly to NCEES.

In Mississippi, the FE exam is required for enrollment as an Engineer Intern. The application fee for Enrollment as an Engineer Intern is \$25. The application is submitted online at www.pepls.ms.gov.

The **Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) Exam** – The FS exam is designed for recent graduates and students who are close to finishing an undergraduate surveying degree from an ABET-accredited program. It is a computer-based exam designed and administered by NCEES and available year-round in testing windows at NCEES-approved Pearson VUE test centers. The FS exam includes 110 questions. A \$225 exam fee is payable directly to NCEES.

In Mississippi, the FS exam is required for enrollment as a Surveyor Intern. The application fee for Enrollment as a Surveyor Intern is \$25. The application is submitted online at www.pepls.ms.gov.

The **Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) exam** tests for a minimum level of competency in a particular engineering discipline. It is designed for engineers who have gained a minimum of four years post-college work experience in their chosen engineering discipline. The PE exam is offered in 27 disciplines. Learn more about exam-specific information and requirements on the NCEES website at this link: <u>https://ncees.org/exams/pe-exam/</u>

In Mississippi, both the FE and PE exams are required for licensure as a Professional Engineer.

The **Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) exam** is designed for surveyors who have gained at least four years of professional experience. The PS exam is designed and administered by NCEES and is given year-round via computer-based testing (CBT) at approved Pearson VUE test centers. A \$300 exam fee is payable directly to NCEES.

In Mississippi, the FS and PS exams as well as the Mississippi Section Exam are required for licensure as a Professional Surveyor.

The **Mississippi Section (Section) Exam** is designed for surveyors who have passed both the FS and PS exams and who are seeking to become licensed surveyors in the State of Mississippi. It is a 100question exam and is designed to test applicant knowledge of specific surveying related information in the State of Mississippi. Currently, the Section exam is administered three times per year, typically in January, May and September.

Applicants for licensure as Surveyors in the State of Mississippi are permitted to take the Section exam only after passing both the FS and PS exams. Currently, applicants are permitted six attempts at passing the Section exam before a new application for licensure is required.



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### **Fundamentals of Surveying**

Grayson Amacker Jonathan Buckley Jonathan Henry Chuck McGinty Nolan Steele Wyatt Turner Bryce Waggoner

# Make it Official using your

# **NCEES Digital Badge**

NCEES has partnered with Credly to provide a digital badge to examinees who pass the FE or FS exam. These badges can be displayed on social media, in email signatures, and on digital resumes. Visit your MyNCEES account (<u>https://account.ncees.org/</u>) to get yours today!



Danny Swain

# Available now – NCEES Honor cords

NCEES now offers honor cords for students who have successfully passed their FE and/or FS exams to wear during their graduation commencement exercises. Ask your Dean or school counselor about them to ensure that they are made available at your school.





### Join us for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual P2P Mississippi Gulf Coast career fair on November 20 & 21, 2024

Pathways2Possibilities (P2P) is an interactive, hands-on, career exploration experience, designed for 8th graders in public and private schools as well as home-schooled students. Since 2013, more than 120,000 8<sup>th</sup> graders have experienced the career exploration opportunities afforded through P2P. P2P is hosted annually in Mississippi on the Mississippi Gulf Coast and in the Mississippi Delta. Learn how you can get involved at <u>https://www.pathways2possibilities.org</u>.

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### **Principles and Practice of Engineering**

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### **Principles and Practice of Surveying**

Christopher Bankston Joshua Dickerson Phillip Dymen Benjamin Gaillard Zachary Hebert Michael Miller Tarrin Prassenos

#### **Mississippi Section Exam**

Christopher Bankston Zachary Davies Joshua Dickerson Phillip Dymen Ben Gaillard Paul Hawkes Zachary Helbert Tarrin Prassenos



# **NCEES EXAMINEE GUIDE**

Are you preparing to take an NCEES exam? The NCEES Examinee Guide is the official guide for the policies and procedures for all NCEES exams. View and download your free copy here: <u>https://ncees.org/exams/examinee-guide/</u>.

So, you have the three E's of Licensure:

Education...... Exams......Experience.

So what's next..... we suggest that you also have a NCEES Record. What is an NCEES record you ask?

# What is an NCEES Record?

#### What is an NCEES Record?

An NCEES Record is a verified compilation of information an applicant is required to submit to a state licensing board as part of the licensure application process.

#### What information will my completed Record include?

Each completed Record is a verified compilation of an applicant's official academic transcripts, full employment history, professional references, and exam results.

#### How will an NCEES Record benefit me?

An NCEES Record eliminates the hassle of resubmitting your academic transcripts, exam results, employment history and verifications, and professional references each time you apply for comity licensure. It saves time and simplifies the application process when you need to practice in multiple states.

#### Do all U.S. state licensing boards accept an NCEES Record?

Yes. The NCEES Record is accepted by all U.S. state licensing boards for COMITY licensure application.

### <u>To learn more about NCEES records</u>

or to establish your record, visit www. NCEES.org

# Renewal Season opens on October 1, 2024



Licensees can begin to renew their professional engineer and / or surveyor and/or Certificate of Authority license in the month of October of each year through December 31<sup>st</sup>.

After December 31<sup>st</sup> additional fees to renew may be applied.

Every licensee shall meet the CPC requirements of the rules and regulations for professional development as a condition for licensee renewal.

Access more information on the CPC requirements at the link below:

https://www.pepls.ms.gov/continuing-education

### Are you Retiring?

Notify the Board in writing at <u>information@pepls.state.ms.us</u> or via regular mail along with your renewal fee.

"The Three E's—education, experience, and examination —constitute the essential benchmarks that licensed professionals must meet. These standards collectively uphold professional proficiency and prioritize public safety." - Alliance for Responsible Professional Licensing

> ARPL Alliance for Responsible Professional Licensing



# **1929...And Counting**

An article written by Dr. John T. Wade, PE, FPE

1929 was the year everything started for the Wade family in the engineering profession. It was the year that my grandfather, Baxter F. Wade, Sr., graduated from the University of North Carolina (UNC) with a degree in Civil Engineering. After getting married to my grandmother, they settled in the Jackson area, where my grandfather was in the engineering and construction industry until his retirement.



Baxter F. Wade, Sr. (ca 1930)



Baxter F. Wade, Jr. (ca 2019)

Since 1929, four generations of fathers and sons, plus a nephew, have graduated from engineering schools and achieved registration as professional engineers in the State of Mississippi. Ninety-five years later in 2024, my son, Dylan Wade, PE became the latest member of our family to become a professional engineer. Dylan has now placed his signature and recorded his Mississippi PE number inside the front cover of a 1929 edition of the Civil Engineering Handbook along with the rest of the professional engineers in our family.



Preston Caldwell, P.E.

I remember visiting my grandfather prior to his death in 1999. He was so immensely proud that I had graduated from engineering school at Mississippi State University (MSU). We used to sit and look through his old notes from classes at UNC in the late 1920's as he reminisced about his time in college. I could remember working similar Calculus problems at Mississippi State in the early 1990's like he had worked on at the UNC in the 1920's. He handed me a stack of engineering books from the early 1900's, and I still have his first edition Steel Construction Manual.

Headed into my fourth year as an engineer intern, I had one goal...I wanted to become a registered professional engineer before my grandfather passed away. Back then, the exams were "show your work" exams, and they were graded by hand. I took the first of two PE exams in different engineering disciplines in October of 1999. It took until late December to get the test results back. I missed my goal by a couple of months, and my grandfather passed away prior to me receiving registration as a professional engineer.

My grandfather taught my dad how to use a slide rule, and he sent my dad to school at MSU with that slide rule. When I got ready to go to engineering school, I took the same slide rule to Starkville with me, even though it was not necessary. I had a shiny new HP-48 calculator, just like all the other students of that era, but I knew how to use that slide rule. When my son attended MSU, he took that very same slide rule to school with him, and I made sure he knew how to use it, also.

I like to tell the story of how most of the engineers in my family knew Dewey McCain at MSU. My grandfather was a friend and a professional peer of Dewey McCain. When my dad attended college in Starkville, Dewey McCain was a professor in the College of Engineering and taught several classes to my dad. My son and I both took classes at MSU in the McCain Engineering Building. We all had interactions with McCain, but in quite different ways. As an interesting side note, my dad's PE license, initially issued in 1966, is signed by the namesake of the electrical engineering building at MSU, Harry Simrall.

My grandfather, my dad, and my nephew all studied civil engineering. My son studied mechanical engineering. I initially studied mechanical engineering, but I took a little detour into graduate school for fire protection engineering. I followed up my previous registration as a Mechanical PE by taking the fire protection PE exam and passing it. According to the former director of the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Surveyors, I was the first person to take and pass the fire protection PE exam in the State of Mississippi.

My grandfather was one of the first people registered as a professional engineer in the State of Mississippi. His PE number was 575, and it was issued in 1946. Following that was my dad, Baxter F. Wade, Jr. at PE 3705 in 1966, me at PE 14461 in 1999, my nephew Preston Caldwell at PE 32769, and Dylan Wade at PE 35073.

The Wades have four generations of professional engineers, plus a nephew. We have a long history of engineering in the State of Mississippi, and it is not over yet!

Baxter F. Wade, Jr., passed away in June of 2024. He was glad to be able to see two of his grandchildren become professional engineers.

# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)**

In each newsletter we hope to share information on the most frequently asked questions.

#### 1. How long will it take to process my application?

The Agency attempts to process all applications within a timely manner; but usually within 45 days of receipt of the application and /or all supporting documents.

#### 2. What is needed for an application to be considered COMPLETE?

Typically, this means that the application and all supporting information and/or documents have been received and there are no missing documents or information needs.

#### 3. I'm an Engineer Intern (EIT) in another jurisdiction, but I am now located in Mississippi. Do I need to apply for Engineer Intern certification in Mississippi?

No. Engineer Intern certification simply signifies that you have passed the national Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) examination. Mississippi does not have a process to transfer EI status from another state into Mississippi; it is not necessary.

# 4. I have moved since my last communication with the Board. How can I update my contact information?

Log in to your account in our online system via our website. To change your personal information, click on General Information (over on the left side) and then click on "Edit Personal Detail".

Alternatively, you can download the address change form and email it to information@pepls.state.ms.us and we will make the change for you.

More FAQ information can be found at the following link: <u>https://www.pepls.ms.gov/frequently-asked-questions</u>

Looking for resources to support your STEM outreach efforts?

Discover E has lots of them. Learn more at the link below:

https://discovere.org/stem-activities/



# **About Licensees**

#### How can I search for licensed individuals or firms?

You can search for licensed individuals or firms on our website home page (www.pepls.ms.gov). Look for the following (Licensee Search function) and proceed accordingly. If licensed you will find the individual's or firms name, contact information, date of initial licensure and their current date of license expiration.

You can also search for professional engineers or surveyors by county location.

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#### FOR EXAMPLE:

TO SEARCH FOR LICENSED ENGNEERS IN ADAMS COUNTY.

FIRST SELECT LICENSE TYPE, THEN SELECT THE STATE AND THEN THE COUNTY

LASTLY, CLICK THE SEARCH BUTTON.

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#### ALMOST IMEDIATELY, THE REQUESTED INFORMTION IS POPULATED!

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### Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors participated in the historic signing of a Mutual Recognition Agreement between NCEES and the United Kingdom Engineering Council

#### An article written by Devonte L. Wells

In a landmark event that underscores the growing global within the collaboration engineering profession, representatives from the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Surveyors (Board), as well as 30 other member licensing boards, participated in the signing of a historic Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) between the United Kingdom Engineering Council (EC) and the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES). The ceremony, which took place on August 13, 2024, at the NCEES 103rd annual meeting in Chicago, marks a significant step forward in the international mobility of professional engineers.



*Mississippi representatives at the historic event included William C. "Bill" Mitchell, P.E. / P.S., and Dr. Dennis D. Truax, P.E.* 

For the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Surveyors, the signing of the MRA clearly indicates the state's commitment to maintaining high professional standards while embracing the opportunities that come with global engagement. Participation in this event by Dr. Dennis D. Truax, P.E., and Mr. William C. "Bill" Mitchell, P.E./P.S. on behalf of the Board highlights Mississippi's proactive approach to ensuring the state's engineers are competitive internationally and well-positioned to succeed in an increasingly interconnected world.



Dr. Dennis D. Truax, P.E. signing the Mutual Recognition Agreement between the US (NCEES) and the UK Engineering Council (EC).

The MRA is built upon the International Professional Engineers Agreement (IPEA) framework and is designed to uphold the highest discipline-specific and jurisdictional standards. This agreement ensures that engineers seeking to practice internationally meet stringent professional requirements, safeguarding the integrity of the engineering profession while expanding opportunities for collaboration across borders.



NCEES Member Boards and the UK Engineer Council.

**Reference:** Nebesky, M. (2024). *NCEES signs historic mutual recognition agreement with the Engineering Council-UK*. NCEES. https://ncees.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/NCEES-signs-MRA-with-ECUK.pdf

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# **MISSISSIPPI SPOTLIGHT FEATURES**

The Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors seeks to shine a spotlight on the licensed professionals who practice in the engineering and surveying professions in the State of Mississippi Learn more about these individuals on our website under the *Community & Advocacy tab* at the following link: **https://www.pepls.ms.gov** 







William Morrison, PE, SI July 2024





Kimble Slaton, P.S. April 2024



Sara Berman, P.E. August 2024



Troy Hill, P.S., E.I. September 2024

# Introducing the October 2024 Spotlight features



Learn more about our October 2024 spotlight feautres on our website at <u>www.pepls.ms.gov</u> under the community & advocacy tab.

Spotlight features are selected randomly from a pool of respondents. To be considered, you must have responded to the spotlight feature questionnaire and provided a photograph for use, when selected.

Self-nominations are accepted.

Please email your nominations to us at *information@pepls.state.ms.us* 

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# **Disciplinary/Legal Actions**



The Board is authorized by state law to regulate the practices of engineering and surveying in the State of Mississippi. If an unlicensed person practices engineering or surveying, the Board is authorized to pursue disciplinary action, and perhaps even legal action, against that person.

The Board is further authorized to pursue disciplinary action against a licensee for any violation of the licensure laws and the Board's rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the Code of Conduct, and the Standards of Surveying.

The Code of Professional Conduct is outlined in Part 901 Chapter 17 of our Rules and Regulations and can be accessed at the following link: <u>https://www.pepls.ms.gov/rules-regulations</u>

The Standards of Surveying can be accessed at the following link: <u>https://www.pepls.ms.gov/surveying-standards</u>

The Board's authority, however, does not extend to individual business matters such as contract disputes, disagreements regarding fees, boundary line disputes or financial damages that may be incurred because of an improper survey. Gross negligence in the performance of an engineer's or surveyor's work, though, may be actionable upon presentment of substantial evidence to the Board.

Each year the Board post a listing of the Disciplinary cases for the past year to its websites. You can find the list on our website under the Board Disciplinary Actions at the following link:

### https://www.pepls.ms.gov/board-disciplinary-actions



# Notice to update your Contact Information

In its efforts to become more efficient and cost effective, the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Surveyors will be moving toward a paperless work environment. To that end, future correspondences with applicants and licensees will occur primarily via email and /or text correspondence.

General agency notifications, where applicable, will be posted on our agency website and social media feeds.

To that end, we are asking all licensees to please update your contact information with the agency to include the following:

- Email address
- Mobile telephone number

#### To opt in for text notifications (see the instructions below)



Receive important news, alerts and reminders by scanning the QR code to quickly opt-in!

> Text PEPLS to 844-328-7575 or Scan the QR Code



(standard date rates app)

Don't miss vital information such as renewal and expired license notices. Update your contact information today! See attached form to update your information or go online at https://www.peps.apps.its.ms.gov/ home.aspx.



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Engagement for the next generation of Engineers

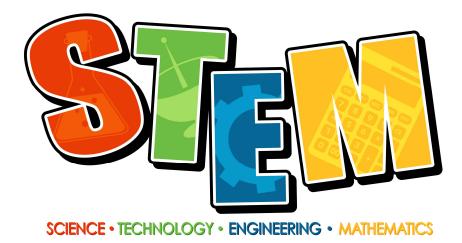
Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Surveyors WWW.pepls.ms.gov

### Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors Contact Information Form

Please use the form below to update your E-mail address, mobile phone, address and employment information with the Board. Please complete the form in its entirety (including signing and dating the form). Once received, your information will be updated.

Print/Type Full Name	Mississippi Licensure Number(s)
Your E-mail Address         Your mobile phone         If you reside in Mississippi, what is you county of residence?         Your official Address of Record with this Board:	r Receive important news, alerts and reminders by scanning the QR code to quickly opt-in!
Street	
City State Zip	Text PEPLS to 844-328-7575 or Scan the QR Code
Employer	Job Title
Daytime Telephone Number with area	code
Name / Signature	Date

You can email the completed form to <u>information@pepls.state.ms.us</u>.



# **The Engineering & Surveying Community**

#### **Events & Activities**

Pathways 2 Possibilities Career Expo (Gulf Coast and Mississippi Delta) Mississippi Museum of Natural Science - Science Makers and Science Fest events NSBE – Summer Engineering Experience for Kids (SEEK) program United States Department of Agriculture APHIS - AG Discovery program MDOT- Mississippi Summer Transportation Institute (MSTI) program

#### High schools with engineering clubs and/or programs

Jackson Public Schools (various campuses) Madison Central High School – Academy of Engineering Vicksburg Warren School District – Academy of Innovation

#### **Colleges & Universities**

Milsaps College Mississippi College Pearl River Community College Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Northeast Mississippi Community College Delta State University Jackson State University Mississippi Valley State University Mississippi State University (various campuses) University of Mississippi University of Southern Mississippi (various campuses) Belhaven University Dual Major programs with MSU and UM Tougaloo College 3-2 program with MSU

If you know of other program, events, schools, colleges, or universities, please send us an email at <u>information@pepls.state.ms.us</u> and tell us all about it.

# **PEpLS In the Community**

## Science Fest 2024



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Contact Us

#### Mississippi Board of Licensure for PEpLS

455 North Lamar Street, Suite 208 Jackson, MS 39202 601.359.6160 Email: Information@pepls.state.ms.us www.pepls.ms.gov

#### **BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE**

Currently, there are two board meetings\* remaining for 2024 as indicated below:

October 2, 2024

#### December 4, 2024 (tentative)

\*Dates and times subject to changee.

Meeting location: Conference Room, Suite 208, 455 North Lamar street, Jackson, MS 39202. You can access the meeting minutes from prior board meetings on the agency website at the following link:

https://www.pepls.ms.gov/board-meeting-dates-and-minutes



### HOW TO FOLLOW AND CONTACT US

### On Twitter: @PeplsM

### On LinkedIn: Mississippi Board of Licensure for PEpLS

### Website: www.pepls.ms.gov

General correspondences can be sent to the agency at the following Email address: <u>information@pepls.state.ms.us</u>

Have a news suggestion for us! Send your information along with your name and contact information by Email to <a href="mailto:mgilmore@pepls.state.ms.us">mgilmore@pepls.state.ms.us</a>