NOTICE OF RANKIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER REDISTRICTING PROCESS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

The BOARD OF EDUCATION OF Rankin County School District gives notice that it intends to schedule public hearings to obtain public input and comments concerning the process of redistricting the Trustee election districts in order to comply with the one person, one vote principle based on the results of the 2020 U.S. Census and to facilitate any other communications with the Board, on the dates and at the following times and on the dates set forth herein, and shall publicize and give notice of such public hearings in order to assure that the citizens of RCSD and the members of the general public will have a full, open and equal opportunity to attend, participate and provide input, as follows:

1. The Board will hold two public meetings and hearings in the RCSD Board Room at 1220 Apple Park Place, Brandon, Mississippi 39042.

2. The first public meeting and hearing will be scheduled for May 11, 2022 at 8:30 am to consider the law, redistricting criteria and public participation and for RCSD's demographic experts with **CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**, an organization with substantial experience in developing redistricting plans and options for state and local governments, to present maps for consideration by the **BOARD OF EDUCATION OF RCSD**. These maps will be placed on RCSD's Redistricting Website and will be available at each public meeting and hearing for public viewing and comments on mapping options;

3. The second public meeting and hearing will be scheduled for May 25, 2022, at 8:30 am for the close of the public comment period and a time when the **BOARD OF EDUCATION OF RCSD** will be asked to select a new Redistricting Plan based on the 2020 Census Data. That plan, upon adoption, will be forwarded to the Secretary of State and to the Rankin County Election Commission and the Registrar for Rankin County for implementation. It will then control future elections for trustees and members of the **BOARD OF EDUCATION OF RCSD** until the 2030 Census is published, and the process starts over again.

This **NOTICE OF THE RANKIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REDISTRICTING PROCESS** shall be published and posted in the usual manner for public notices and through local media accessible to the citizens of RCSD and the general public.

PLEASE NOTE that this is not a school zone redistricting plan. It will <u>NOT</u> affect where your student attends school. It will only affect the board member that represents your district.

This 27th day of April 2022.

RANKIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Scott Rimes, Superintendent, RCSD