

# WEDNESDAY GAME PLAN



**BREAKOUT SESSIONS  
1:30 - 5:00**

**REGISTRATION 7:30-12:00**

**LUNCH & KICKOFF 12:00-1:30**

<p>ROOM <b>CAMELIA -A-</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 - 2:30</b> SAM GENERAL NEW USER SUSAN WALTERS</p>	<p><b>2:45 - 3:45</b> WHAT'S NEW IN SAM: SAM UI, SAM SCAN, &amp; OSR J. SHERMAN, M. SOHA, &amp; L. KERSH</p>	<p><b>4:00 - 5:00</b> PARENTSQUARE PLAYBOOK WITH PEARL RIVER BALL, WHITE, &amp; FRANATOVICH</p>
<p>ROOM <b>CAMELIA -B-</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 - 2:30</b> GAME PLAN TO A SUCCESSFUL BUDGET (FY 2026) EMILY BEACH &amp; KAREN BENEFIELD</p>	<p><b>2:45 - 5:00</b> END OF FISCAL YEAR/NEXT YEAR BUDGETING KIM CATHEY</p>	
<p>ROOM <b>AZALEA -A,B-</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 - 2:30</b> EMPOWERING EDUCATORS: OVERCOMING ANXIETY IN EDUCATION R. MATTHEWS &amp; DR. C. BENJAMIN</p>	<p><b>2:45 - 3:45</b> REACH THE GOAL LINE WITH GOOGLE SHEETS TARA POOLSON</p>	<p><b>4:00 - 5:00</b> MDE: PERSONNEL PLAYBOOK FOR MSIS PERSONNEL CERTIFICATION MELISSA BANKS &amp; BARBARA YOUNG</p>
<p>ROOM <b>AZALEA -C,D-</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 - 2:30</b> PREVENTING FUMBLES &amp; BLOCKING ERRORS WITH ADEQUATE INTERNAL CONTROLS MELBA BEASLEY &amp; JENNIFER CLANTON</p>	<p><b>2:45 - 3:45</b> CHARTER SCHOOL LOCAL SUPPORT PAYMENTS FOR LEAs LETITIA JOHNSON</p>	<p><b>4:00 - 5:00</b> MSIS 2.0: TEAM HUDDLE &amp; LOTS OF GRACE LINDA JOHNSON</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -E-</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 - 2:30</b> SAM ATTENDANCE MODULE JACKIE WALLEY</p>	<p><b>2:45 - 3:45</b> SAM DISCIPLINE MODULE JACKIE WALLEY</p>	<p><b>4:00 - 5:00</b> GRADE SCRIPT EVALUATION GARMAN JENKINS &amp; LUKE BLAKENEY</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -F-</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 - 2:30</b> BUSINESS MANAGER 101 D. NESTER, L. JOHNSON, D. COCHRAN</p>	<p><b>2:45 - 3:45</b> THE QUARTERBACK SNEAK: PAYROLL TIPS, TRICKS, &amp; UPDATES EMILY BEACH &amp; KAREN BENEFIELD</p>	<p><b>4:00 - 5:00</b> BOOSTING BUSINESS OFFICE EFFICIENCY: TIPS, TRICKS, &amp; COMMUNICATION HACKS FOR BUSINESS MANAGERS AMBER GEISER</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -G-</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 - 2:30</b> GEAR UP FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN MSIS MELISSA BANKS &amp; BARBARA YOUNG</p>	<p><b>2:45 - 3:45</b> INSTANT REPLAY: LESSONS FROM THE OCTOBER MSIS CERTIFICATION TAMALA MATTHEWS &amp; LARHONDA SMITH</p>	<p><b>4:00 - 5:00</b> SEPARATING PROMISE FROM PERIL: PURPOSE-BUILT AI WITH STUDENT PRIVACY AT ITS CORE JOHN KENNEDY</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -H-</b></p>	<p><b>1:30 - 2:30</b> ACTIVEAPPLICANT DEMO: IT'S JUST A TRY OUT! SARAH COTNAM</p>	<p><b>2:45 - 3:45</b> ACTIVEAPPLICANT ROUNDTABLE SARAH COTNAM</p>	<p><b>4:00 - 5:00</b> ACTIVEAPPLICANT TRAINING: LET'S GO FROM JV TO VARSITY SARAH COTNAM</p>

GENERAL SESSIONS

SAM SESSIONS

MARATHON SESSIONS



# THURSDAY GAME PLAN



**BREAKOUT SESSIONS  
8:30 - 12:00**

## BREAKFAST 7:30-8:30

<p>ROOM <b>CAMELIA -A-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> HOW TO FORGIVE WHEN YOU CAN'T FORGET JACKIE WALLEY &amp; RACHEL COCHRAN</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> IT'S ALL ABOUT PERSONALITY PART I STEPHANIE PERMENTER</p>
<p>ROOM <b>CAMELIA -B-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> UPDATES &amp; CURRENT ISSUES FROM THE STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE PAT DENDY &amp; RHUEL DICKINSON</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> BEING AN OFFENSIVE PLAYER ON TEAM PAYROLL E. BLURTON, K. BENEFIELD, E. BEACH</p>
<p>ROOM <b>AZALEA -A,B-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> SCORE BIG WITH SIMPLE QUERIES TARA POOLSON</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> QUARTERBACK YOUR DATA: FLAGS, TAGS, &amp; FILTER GROUPS BROOKE WALTER</p>
<p>ROOM <b>AZALEA -C,D-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> BUSINESS MANAGER 101 D. NESTER, L. JOHNSON, D. COCHRAN</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> EMPLOYMENT LAW: FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE &amp; EMPLOYMENT LEAVE JOHN HOOKS</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -E-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> HOW TO MAKE SAM WORK FOR YOU IN MSIS 2.0 JAMES SHERMAN &amp; CARMAN JENKINS</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> WHAT'S NEW IN SAM: SAM UI, SAM SCAN, &amp; OSR J. SHERMAN, M. SOHA, &amp; L. KERSH</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -F-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 10:45</b> UNLOCKING THE POWER OF PERSONALIZED INSURANCE SOLUTIONS ERIC TUPPER &amp; BUDDY DEWEASE</p>	
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -G-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 10:45</b> ISP &amp; MESA: USEFUL TOOLS FOR SCHEDULING, ENDORSEMENTS, &amp; CREDIT CHECKS COLE LOPER &amp; TAMMY QUARLES</p>	
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -H-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> MISSISSIPPI STUDENT FUNDING FORMULA CHECK LIST FOR FY2026 LETITIA JOHNSON</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> REMOTE LINK KIM CATHEY</p>



**11:00 - 12:00**

**LIVE AT THE  
BEAU RIVAGE THEATER!**

**CHRIS  
SINGLETON**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

 GENERAL SESSIONS

 SAM SESSIONS

 MARATHON SESSIONS



# BREAKOUT SESSIONS 1:30 - 5:00

## LUNCH 12:00-1:30

## DINNER & RECEPTION 6:30-10:00

<b>ROOM</b> <b>CAMELIA</b> <b>- A -</b>	<b>1:30 - 2:30</b> <b>IT'S ALL ABOUT PERSONALITY PART II</b> <b>STEPHANIE PERMENTER</b>	<b>2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>FIRST THE BEES, &amp; NOW ME: PREVENTING MENTAL &amp; EMOTIONAL EXTINCTION</b> <b>DR. NOEL &amp; LAURA COCHRAN</b>	<b>4:00 - 5:00</b> <b>THE ULTIMATE TEAM GOAL: IMPROVED COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT</b> <b>ALLISON TEMPLE</b>
<b>ROOM</b> <b>CAMELIA</b> <b>- B -</b>	<b>1:30 - 2:30</b> <b>CAPITAL ASSETS &amp; ASSET CONNECT</b> <b>EVELYN BLURTON &amp; LINDA JOHNSON</b>	<b>2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>BANK RECONCILIATIONS</b> <b>EVELYN BLURTON &amp; KIM CATHEY</b>	<b>4:00 - 5:00</b> <b>HUDDLE UP: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, EFT's, &amp; VOIDING CHECKS</b> <b>KIM CATHEY &amp; LINDA JOHNSON</b>
<b>ROOM</b> <b>AZALEA</b> <b>- A,B -</b>	<b>1:30 - 2:30</b> <b>PARENTSQUARE PLAYBOOK WITH PEARL RIVER</b> <b>BALL, WHITE, &amp; FRANATOVICH</b>	<b>2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>EVERY NUMBER HAS A NAME. EVERY STATISTIC TELLS A STORY</b> <b>BILL FRENZEL</b>	<b>4:00 - 5:00</b> <b>WHAT'S NEW AT PARENTSQUARE? LATEST UPDATES AND Q&amp;A</b> <b>BILL FRENZEL</b>
<b>ROOM</b> <b>AZALEA</b> <b>- C,D -</b>	<b>1:30 - 2:30</b> <b>EMPLOYMENT LAW: FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT &amp; OVERTIME LAW</b> <b>JOHN HOOKS</b>	<b>2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>EMPLOYMENT LAW: MISSISSIPPI STATE STATUTES</b> <b>JOHN HOOKS</b>	<b>4:00 - 5:00</b> <b>CURRENT &amp; EMERGING ISSUES IN SCHOOL AUDITS</b> <b>S. PALMERTREE &amp; J. ASHLEY</b>
<b>ROOM</b> <b>MAGNOLIA</b> <b>- E -</b>	<b>1:30 - 2:30</b> <b>DDI - DISTRICT DATA INTEGRATOR</b> <b>JAMES SHERMAN &amp; DOUGLAS LASS</b>	<b>2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>LEVELING UP YOUR CYBERSECURITY GAME: THE POWER OF TECH &amp; TEAMWORK</b> <b>JONATHAN BAILEY &amp; MICHAEL RIEGER</b>	<b>4:00 - 5:00</b> <b>3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY DATA INTEGRATIONS USING DDI</b> <b>SUMMER TYER</b>
<b>ROOM</b> <b>MAGNOLIA</b> <b>- F -</b>	<b>1:30 - 2:30</b> <b>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE</b> <b>LOGAN CRANE &amp; TERRY CRANE</b>	<b>2:45 - 5:00</b> <b>PERS: RULES &amp; REGULATIONS</b> <b>CENTRON LENOIR &amp; CHEYANN WASHINGTON</b>	
<b>ROOM</b> <b>MAGNOLIA</b> <b>- G -</b>	<b>1:30 - 2:30</b> <b>INTERVENTIONIST CORNER: TIPS &amp; TRICKS FOR EFFECTIVE TIER DATA</b> <b>COLE LOPER &amp; TAMMY QUARLES</b>	<b>2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>SAM: GENERAL NEW USER</b> <b>SUSAN WALTERS</b>	<b>4:00 - 5:00</b> <b>THE QUARTERBACK SNEAK: PAYROLL TIPS, TRICKS, &amp; UPDATES</b> <b>EMILY BEACH &amp; KAREN BENEFIELD</b>
<b>ROOM</b> <b>MAGNOLIA</b> <b>- H -</b>	<b>1:30 - 2:30</b> <b>KEY THINGS TO KNOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM</b> <b>K. LYLES, L. KING, &amp; E. HOLLIS</b>	<b>2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>MISSISSIPPI STUDENT FUNDING FORMULA CHECK LIST FOR FY2026</b> <b>LETITIA JOHNSON</b>	<b>4:00 - 5:00</b> <b>KEY THINGS TO KNOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM</b> <b>K. LYLES, L. KING, &amp; E. HOLLIS</b>
<b>ROOM</b> <b>BEAU RIVAGE</b> <b>- THEATER -</b>	<b>2:45 - 3:45</b> <b>MSIS UPDATES: THIS SEASON AND BEYOND</b> <b>JOHN KRAMAN &amp; DEBORAH DONOVAN</b>		

# FRIDAY GAME PLAN



**BREAKOUT SESSIONS  
8:30 - 12:00**

## BREAKFAST 7:30-8:30

<p>ROOM <b>CAMELIA -A-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> SCORE BIG WITH SIMPLE QUERIES TARA POOLSON</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> MDE: SAM + MSIS LINEUP: MAPPING SAM FIELDS TO MSIS MELISSA BANKS &amp; BARBARA YOUNG</p>	<p><b>11:00 - 12:00</b> MDE: PERSONNEL PLAYBOOK FOR MSIS PERSONNEL CERTIFICATION MELISSA BANKS &amp; BARBARA YOUNG</p>
<p>ROOM <b>CAMELIA -B-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> MARATHON ADMIN KIM CATHEY</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> INSPIRE, EMPOWER, &amp; ENGAGE: HELP EMPLOYEES TAKE CONTROL OF THEIR BENEFITS DANIEL PICKERING &amp; SCOTT MILEY</p>	<p><b>11:00 - 12:00</b> BOOSTING BUSINESS OFFICE EFFICIENCY: TIPS, TRICKS, &amp; COMMUNICATION HACKS FOR BUSINESS MANAGERS AMBER GEISER</p>
<p>ROOM <b>AZALEA -A,B-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> EMPOWER STUDENT MOBILITY &amp; DISTRICT WIDE EFFICIENCY MADDIE LINDSEY &amp; MONICA FISHER</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> WELLNESS, TECHNOLOGY, AND LITERACY SHANNON DOUGHTY</p>	<p><b>11:00 - 12:00</b> THE HAIL MARY OF EFFICIENCY: AUTOMATING PROCESSES TARA POOLSON</p>
<p>ROOM <b>AZALEA -C,D-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> 16<sup>th</sup> SECTION: FIRST &amp; 10 LINDA JOHNSON</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 12:00</b> 16<sup>th</sup> SECTION: LEASES &amp; ANNUAL REPORTING KECIA FLEMING, DREW PETTUS, &amp; SHELLI BOUNDS</p>	
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -E-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> EMPOWERING EDUCATORS: OVERCOMING AI ANXIETY IN EDUCATION DR. CARLENA BENJAMIN &amp; REGGIE MATTHEWS</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> SAM ATTENDANCE MODULE JACKIE WALLEY</p>	<p><b>11:00 - 12:00</b> WHAT'S NEW IN SAM: SAM UI, SAM SCAN, &amp; OSR J. SHERMAN, M. SOHA, &amp; L. KERSH</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -F-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> GAME PLAN TO A SUCCESSFUL BUDGET (FY 2026) EMILY BEACH &amp; KAREN BENEFIELD</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> MARATHON ROUNDTABLE MARATHON STAFF</p>	<p><b>11:00 - 12:00</b> SCHOOL BUSINESS LEGAL ISSUES UPDATE BONNIE GRANGER</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -G-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> SAM ROUNDTABLE SAM STAFF</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 10:45</b> GRADE SCRIPT EVALUATION CARMAN JENKINS &amp; LUKE BLAKENEY</p>	<p><b>11:00 - 12:00</b> SAM DASHBOARD CARMAN JENKINS</p>
<p>ROOM <b>MAGNOLIA -H-</b></p>	<p><b>8:30 - 9:30</b> PERS BASICS CENTRON LENOIR &amp; CHEYANN WASHINGTON</p>	<p><b>9:45 - 12:00</b> PERS PRE-RETIREMENT CENTRON LENOIR &amp; CHEYANN WASHINGTON</p>	

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