1. What is the state trying to accomplish by instituting AOL@SCHOOL?

 "Our children need technology skills to succeed in the 21st century workforce, and the AOL@SCHOOL program offers the safest and most effective way for us to both give students more experience with interactive technology and harness the Web's power in the classroom," said Governor Musgrove. "We are thrilled that students across the state of Mississippi will have the opportunity to take advantage of the AOL@SCHOOL learning system to bolster their education with a world's worth of learning resources."

2. How much did it cost and where did the funding come from?

 AOL@SCHOOL is a free service to public schools in Mississippi.

3. State Focus feature?

 The State Focus is a new feature which provides Mississippi oriented information selected by our state education officials. It features live content windows in each of AOL@SCHOOL's six learning portals, which can then be programmed to spotlight information targeted for different age groups of students, as well as teachers and administrators. This will provide direct online access to Mississippi's content standards, including instruction, training and assessment resources, as well as Mississippi planning calendars and other useful information.

4. When will AOL@SCHOOL begin?

Mississippi schools will start using this program when school starts in August.

5. Any future plans for Mississippi schools?

Mississippi will complete the Governor's Computers in the Classroom initiative by the end of this year placing an Internet accessible computer in every classroom in our state.