

## **“MISSISSIPPI MINUTE”**

**Welcome to the first broadcast of “Mississippi Minute.” Each week I’ll be spending a minute with you to discuss the issues that affect every Mississippian – issues like jobs, education, health care, and public safety.**

**I’ll also talk, from time to time, about the people and places that make Mississippi a special place to live, work and raise a family.**

**Today, I want to speak to what we’re doing in our schools. Our teachers are being paid as the professionals they are. Test scores are up. Internet-accessible computers are being placed in every public school classroom, and nearly 6,000 of those computers are being built from scratch by students across the state.**

**We’ve chosen a path in education that’s covered with challenges and surrounded by opportunities. How we walk that path and use our resources will determine our success for generations to come.**

**There's work to be done in Mississippi, work that should focus on the issues that are important to you. We've been working hard already, and it's paying off.**

**Thank you for listening.**