



## MPB Classroom FAQ

### 1. What is MPB Classroom TV?

MPB Classroom TV is an instructional television channel dedicated to providing over-the-air classroom lessons taught by certified teachers. The purpose of this channel in the short term is to support Mississippi students, teachers and families as they navigate through the beginning of an unprecedented school year by providing access to direct instruction in the content areas. The long-term purpose is to ensure that through public television broadcasting, all Mississippi students can have access to high quality instruction delivered straight into their homes.

### 2. Why did MPB create this channel?

Educational equity is still an issue in Mississippi, and we have seen this highlighted due to COVID-19. By providing direct instruction to students via MPB, we can better support students who still do not have access to reliable internet or the technology frequently utilized in virtual instruction. This will also guarantee that learning does not have to stop, even if “brick and mortar” school does.

### 3. How will MPB Classroom TV help students?

Students can expect to see instruction that resembles what they receive in the classroom, with familiar patterns and strategies so they know what is expected and can follow along. Students can also expect to see instruction presented by knowledgeable and engaging teachers.

### 4. How will MPB Classroom TV help parents?

Parents can expect to see direct instruction provided to their children by a certified teacher, and they can rely on the fact that instruction will be aligned to the Mississippi College and Career Readiness Standards. Parents can also expect to see the teachers using high quality instructional materials, ensuring they children are receiving lessons of the highest caliber and content.

### 5. How will MPB Classroom TV help educators?

Educators can continue doing what they love to do – provide the best possible instruction for their students. By providing this instruction on MPB Classroom TV, educators can point their students to the channel when they are in an out-of-school situation as their primary lesson, and they can use the lessons to supplement what they teach in the classroom.

### 6. Is the content on this channel supplemental instruction, primary instruction or a little of both?

The content on this channel can work as both. By providing the channel schedule to educators and parents a week in advance, viewing can be planned based either on current instruction or on specific instructional needs. Content will vary based on the status of schools - in a hybrid or virtual learning setting, content may work as primary instruction. Content accessed for on-demand viewing online can be supplemental, helping students to learn on nights, weekends and during the summer.

### 7. How can I watch this channel or access the content on the channel?

Programming will air on television weekdays from 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. If you have cable, you will need to purchase a digital antenna that fits your television and change the “input” setting from cable to antenna. If you do not have cable, you will have to rescan your television and the new channel should automatically appear. See this link for a detailed access guide ([shorturl.at/IFJX7](https://shorturl.at/IFJX7)). See number eight (8) to locate the channel in your area. Visit [education.mpbonline.org](https://education.mpbonline.org) to see content online.

### 8. Based on where I live in Mississippi, what channel will MPB Classroom TV be on?

- WMAH/Biloxi 19.5
- WMAE/Booneville 12.5
- WMAU/Bude 17.5
- WMAO/Greenwood 23.5
- WMPN/Jackson 29.5
- WMAW/Meridian 14.5
- WMAB/Mississippi State 2.5
- WMAV/Oxford/Univ. 18.5

### 9. I have cable services but cannot find this channel on TV, what do I need to do?

See access guide ([shorturl.at/IFJX7](https://shorturl.at/IFJX7))

### 10. I only use an over-the-air antenna to watch television, what do I need to see this channel?

Refer to number eight (8) and see access guide ([shorturl.at/IFJX7](https://shorturl.at/IFJX7))