

Jill Biden visited Mississippi as COVID-19 vaccination rate sputters

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By Will Stribling

First Lady Jill Biden visited COVID-19 vaccination sites in Jackson last Tuesday as part of the Biden Administration's nationwide tour to reach Americans who haven't been vaccinated and promote vaccine education.

The visit came as Mississippi continues to rank last in the nation in the share of its population that has been vaccinated. Only 32% of Mississippians have been fully vaccinated despite significant gains made in recent months in vaccinating the most vulnerable and making vaccine access more equitable.

Mississippi is also the state furthest behind in reaching President Joe Biden's goal of getting at least one COVID-19 shot into the arms of 70% of adults by July 4. Just over 36% of Mississippians are currently vaccinated, providing no hope the state will reach even 50% by Independence Day. If vaccination rates don't improve significantly, the state wouldn't reach that 70% threshold for well over a year.

No significant improve-



First lady Jill Biden comforts a young man who expressed his fear of needles as he received a vaccination during her visit to a COVID-19 vaccination site at Jackson State University in Jackson, Miss., Tuesday, June 22, as part of the administration's nationwide tour to reach Americans who haven't been vaccinated and promote vaccine education. (AP Photo/Rogelio V. Solis)

ment is on the horizon as the state's vaccination rate continues to tank. The 15,073 shots given last week represent a decrease of over 87% from February's peak.

As the state's vaccine rate continues to sputter, Gov. Tate Reeves announced last week that the last remnants of COVID-related government policy in Mississippi — the state's COVID-19 emergency orders — will expire on Aug. 15, more than

a year after the orders were first enacted.

"While a State of Emergency should no longer be necessary after August 15, all Mississippians should remain vigilant, get vaccinated, and follow public health guidance," Reeves said in a statement.

Even though Mississippi has remained under a state of emergency order due to the pandemic, there have been virtually no safety protocols in effect for months.

Reeves also announced that emergency COVID-19 operations with the Mississippi National Guard will end on July 15. The guard's

involvement has been an essential component of the state's vaccine rollout, assisting the Mississippi State Department of Health with the logistical challenges of operating vaccination sites and putting shots in the arms of thousands of Mississippians.

"The governor's timeline to lift Mississippi's State of Emergency declaration on August 15, 2021, ensures our over 1,500 service members complete all necessary out-processing requirements and receive the benefits and entitlements they have earned during their dedicated service to our state," Maj. Gen. Janson Boyles, the adjutant general of the Mississippi National Guard, said in a written statement.

The Mississippi Department of Health reported on Friday that 1,071,623 people in Mississippi — about 36% of the state's population — have received at least their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine. Nearly 953,000 people have been fully inoculated since the state began distributing vaccines in December.



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LEGALS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CHARLIE L. SOUTHERN PLAINTIFF
VERSE CAUSE NO. 21-0036
AMY LUCKETT SOUTHERN DEFENDANT

SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: Amy Luckett Southern
WHEREVER SHE MAY BE

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
You have been made a Defendant in the suited filed in this Court by Charlie Southern, Plaintiff, seeking a divorce.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint to Damon R. Stevenson, the attorney for the Plaintiff, whose mailing address is 1010 N. West Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39202. Your response must be mailed or delivered not later than thirty days after the 24th day of June, 2021, which is the date of the first publication of this summons and complaint or a judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 14th day of June, 2021
Holmes County, Mississippi
(Seal) Charlie Luckett,
Chancery Clerk
By: /s/ Dominique Bullocks D.C. 6-24;7-1,8b

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNIE MAE GIBSON BROWN, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: P2021-0084
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 14th day of June 2021 by the Chancery Court of Holmes County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of Annie Mae Gibson Brown, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of this court for probate and registration according to the law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This the 16th day of June, 2021.
/s/ Samuel L. Brown
SAMUEL L. BROWN
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF ANNIE MAE GIBSON BROWN, DECEASED

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NOTICE OF SALE
CDE Storage, 109 E. Cedar Street, Durant, MS, will sell the contents of Unit #30 leased to Kendall Simmon, 103 MLK Dr., Durant, MS, on Saturday, July 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. 6-24;7-1b

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 26CH1:21-cv-00069
IN RE: LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JERRY DUBARD, DECEASED
DWAYNE DUBARD, EXECUTOR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted to the undersigned by an order of the Chancery Court of Holmes County, Mississippi, under date of June 9, 2021, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of Jerry DuBard, Deceased, to have the same probated and registered by the clerk of the Chancery Court of Holmes County, Mississippi, within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors or that they will be forever barred.

WITNESS my signature, on this the 9th day of June, 2021.
DWAYNE DUBARD
Executor of the Estate of Jerry DuBard, Deceased
JASON M. WHITE
Attorney at Law
Solicitor. 6-17,24;7-1,8b

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CALVIN LEWIS, DECEASED NO.: 21-0043
BIANCA HESTER PETITIONER

SUMMONS
TO: ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF CALVIN LEWIS, DECEASED
NOTICE TO RESPONDENTS

You have been made Respondents in the Petition filed in this Court by Bianca Hester seeking an adjudication of Heirship of Calvin Lewis, Deceased.

You are required to appear on August 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., at Holmes County Chancery Court in Lexington, Mississippi, in the Courtroom of the Honorable Robert G. Clark, III, to respond to the Petition for Determination of Heirship filed against you.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO APPEAR AND FAILURE TO APPEAR WILL RESULT IN JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE MOTION. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER. If you do, you must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterword.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, this the 9th day of June, 2021.
CHARLIE LUCKETT
CHANCERY CLERK,
HOLMES COUNTY
BY: /s/ Charlie Luckett 6-17,24;7-1b

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNIE MAE GIBSON BROWN, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: P2021-0084
SUMMONS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HOLMES
TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW ANNIE MAE GIBSON BROWN, DECEASED

You have been made a Defendant in the Petition filed in this Court Samuel L. Brown, Administrator, seeking authority to determine the heirs-at-law of Annie Mae Gibson Brown, Deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action and show cause, if you can, that you are an heir-at-law of Annie Mae Gibson Brown, deceased, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 1st day of September, 2021 in the Courtroom of Chancellor Robert G. Clark, II at the Madison County Chancery Courthouse at Canton Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 25th day of June, 2021.

CHARLIE LUCKETT
CHANCERY CLERK
BY: /s/ Charlie Luckett Clerk

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY BRIDGERS ARCHER, DECEASED CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 21-0059
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been issued on June 11, 2021 to the undersigned as Executor of the above estate by the Chancery Court of Holmes County, Mississippi, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to file the same with the Clerk of said Court for probate and allowance as required by law within ninety (90) days of the date of the first publication of this notice, or the same will be forever barred.

THIS 11th day of June, 2021.
JACK DAVIS BRIDGERS
EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF MARY BRIDGERS ARCHER, DECEASED

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELOISE M. ALDERMAN, DECEASED CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. 21-0092
EDITH ALDRIDGE, EXECUTRIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of June, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Holmes County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Eloise M. Alderman, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This the 23rd day of June, 2021.
s/ Edith Aldridge
Edith Aldridge,
Executrix of the Estate of Eloise M. Alderman, deceased
Katherine B. Riley, MSB #99109
Don Barrett, P.A.
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Fax: 662-834-2628
Attorney for Estate 7-1,8,15b

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Holmes County Consolidated School District Board of Education will receive sealed bids in the Office of the Superintendent of Education until 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, August 11, 2021, for the Sale of School Buses.

Bid specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Superintendent of Education, 313 Olive Street, P.O. Box 630, Lexington, MS 39095, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All bids must be sealed and labeled: "Sale of School Buses" and delivered or mailed to the address above.

The Holmes County Consolidated District Board of Education reserves the right to reject any/or all bids.
Approved By:
/s/ Debra Powell
Dr. Debra Powell, Superintendent 7-1,8,15b

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Holmes County Consolidated School District Board of Education will receive sealed bids in the Office of the Superintendent of Education until 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, August 11, 2021, for the Sale of Mobile Classrooms.

Bid specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Superintendent of Education, 313 Olive Street, P.O. Box 630, Lexington, MS 39095, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All bids must be sealed and labeled: "Sale of Mobile Classrooms" and delivered or mailed to the address above.

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Approved By:
/s/ Debra Powell
Dr. Debra Powell, Superintendent 7-1,8,15b

MSDH partners to offer cancer survivors free help

JACKSON, Miss. - The Mississippi State Department of Health's (MSDH) Comprehensive Cancer Control Program announces its partnership with Pack Health, a patient engagement platform, to provide personal health coaching to Mississippi cancer survivors through phone calls, texts and emails. This Survivorship Program will be provided free to qualifying residents through Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) grant funding. To be eligible for this program, individuals must have finished primary cancer treatment or be continuing long-term maintenance therapy, be 18 or older, live in Mississippi, and read and speak English.

The 12-week health coaching program is intended to benefit individuals following the completion of their primary cancer therapy and focuses on life and health beyond treatment. The program prioritizes topics that are most important to cancer survivors, such as physical, financial, emotional and social needs.

"The Mississippi Comprehensive Cancer Control Program (MCCCP) is excited to partner with Pack Health to offer free health coaching to Mississippi cancer survi-

vors. We hope this program will empower and promote health and wellbeing in our citizens," said Brad Martin, Director of the Mississippi Comprehensive Cancer Control Program at MSDH.

Upon enrollment, members are matched with a personal health advisor who provides one-on-one support. Over the duration of the program, members learn practical methods to improve their health behaviors and develop long-term strategies that lead to a healthier life.

For more information or to enroll in the Survivorship Program today, please visit packhealth.com/MCCCP or call (855) 375-5715.

The Mississippi's Comprehensive Cancer Control Program was established in 2002 when MSDH received funding from the CDC. Continued funding has enabled MSDH to strengthen comprehensive cancer control efforts in the state. The MCCCP addresses the entirety of cancer control, from prevention and detection, to treatment, survivorship and end-of-life care.

For more information about the Mississippi's Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, visit the MSDH website at www.HealthyMS.com/cancer or call 601-206-1559.



NCPDD WORKFORCE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT Workforce Career Pathways Recruiter

Duties and Responsibilities: Primarily responsible for the day-to day operations of Workforce Program activities and services in Attala, Carroll, Grenada, Holmes, Leflore, Montgomery and Yalobusha Counties as assigned. Duties include the following: recruit and enroll participants in the program; processing paperwork and documentation; and assist youth to get jobs. Official worksite will be in Winona, MS, you but will be assigned to provide services in specific counties of the seven-county service area.

Qualifications: Qualified candidate must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college (an associate degree with four years of work experience or an equivalent combination of eight years of education and work experience in social/human relations or community services in case management may be substituted). Must possess a valid Mississippi driver's license, have access to an insured automobile, be able to travel, have home internet, have a mobile phone, and able to set-up a remote home office.

Required Skills and Abilities: Excellent written and verbal communication skills; Excellent human relations and leadership skills; Ability to communicate with all sectors of the community; Excellent organization skills and time management skills; Excellent computer and internet skills; Detail oriented; Able to work without direct supervision; Positive attitude; Presents a professional image; Excellent attendance history; Aggressive recruiting and sales abilities; and Superior work ethics.

Submit cover letter, resume with salary history, 3 professional references to:

North Central Planning and Development District, WIOA Youth Program, ATTN: J. B. Ringo, Workforce Director, 28 Industrial Park Blvd, Winona, MS 38967 or
E-MAIL: jbringo@ncpdd.org or
Fax to: Attention of Workforce Director at 662-283-5875
NO TELEPHONE CALLS!

NO IN PERSON SUBMISSIONS OR DROP OFF!
Deadline for Submission via postal mail, fax, or email is 5:00 pm on Friday, July 9, 2021.

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