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Byars named PERS Employee of the Quarter



Cindy Byars, of Flowood, has been named Employee of the Quarter for the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS) by the Board of Trustees for the third quarter of FY 2026, which runs from January through March 2026.

As the investment accounting manager for Accounting, Byars was named Employee of the Quarter for her deep knowledge of accounting processes, consistent high-quality work, and emphasis on collaboration.

Byars graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi with a bachelor's degree in accounting. She has also completed the Mississippi Certified Public Manager program and is a member of the Association of Government Accountants.

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