

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
May 26, 2022

OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

05.C. Action: Renew contract with Lydia Boutwell for Fiscal Year 2023 for Early Childhood Coach [Goal 4 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Lydia Boutwell
Meridian, Mississippi

Scope of Project: This contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2023. The contractor will provide professional development and technical assistance to elementary school and community early learning teachers and administrators on classroom instruction and family engagement for the (third) year of a (five-year) procurement including, but not limited to the following:

The contractor will provide the following:

- Support the implementation of the Early Childhood Kellogg grant and the expansion of early childhood education efforts throughout Mississippi.
- Provide a non-threatening, open, professional, collaborative mentor relationship while modeling effective early childhood teaching strategies, support and trainings for pre-k teachers and administrators in Head Start centers and childcare centers; and
- Identify needs, communicate the impact of developmentally appropriate practices and supporting the utilization of the Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) tool to effectively ensure school success.

Renewal of contract for years three (3) through five (5) shall be contingent upon the successful completion of the preceding year's contract and the availability of funds. Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employees. The contractor is a PERS retiree.

Scope of Contract:

- July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023: \$49,518
- Method of Award: Request for Applications

Funding Source: State funds

This item references Goal 4 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

Early Childhood Coach

Year 1 FY21	\$ 49,518
Year 2 FY22	\$ 49,518
Year 3 FY23	\$ 49,518
TOTAL	\$148,554