

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER**  
**Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**May 18, 2023**

**OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT**

02.C. Action: Contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) for Fiscal Year 2024 to administer the English Language Arts and Mathematics in Grades 3-8, End-of-Course (EOC) in Algebra I, English II, and options for Geometry and Algebra II as part of the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program, (MAAP) [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH)  
Boston, MA

Scope of Project: HMH acquired assets from NWEA on April 28, 2023. HMH will continue to provide products and technical services for the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program (MAAP). This MAAP contract includes services for Fiscal Year 2024. The contractor will provide services and products related to programmatic, development, technical, and psychometric assessment activities of these assessments for the ninth year of a ten-year procurement including, but not limited to, the following:

- Development of new passages
- Increase test forms for ELA and Math
- Additional cyber security screening for Grade 3 reading results

This is year nine (9) of a ten (10) year contract. Renewal of contract shall be contingent upon the successful completion of services from the preceding fiscal year's contract and the availability of funds. Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employee.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024
- Amount to be Awarded: \$ 8,306,618
- Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: Federal and General Funds

This item references Goal 1 and 2 of the *Mississippi Board of Education Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None

**Mississippi Academic Assessment Program, (MAAP)  
English Language Arts, Mathematics – Grades 3-8  
English II, Algebra I (EOC)**

<b>Questar Assessment, Inc.</b>	<b>AWARDED AMOUNT</b>
Year 1	\$ 12,346,830.60
Year 2	\$ 10,990,109.00
Year 3	\$ 11,485,109.00
Year 4	\$ 8,538,929.00
Year 5	\$ 8,697,203.00
Year 6	\$ 7,509,844.00
Year 7	\$ 4,131,259.00
Total	\$ 52,709,174.60

<b>NWEA</b>	<b>AWARDED AMOUNT</b>
Year 7	\$ 4,131,259.00
Year 8	\$ 8,306,618.00
Total	\$ 12,437,877.00

<b>HMH</b>	<b>AWARDED AMOUNT</b>
Year 9	\$ 8,306,618.00
Year 10	
Total	\$ 8,306,618.00