

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

**OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT**

02.E. Action: Contract with ACT, Inc. to administer the ACT test to all juniors (approximately 34,000 students each year) in the State of Mississippi [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor:       ACT, Inc.  
                                  Iowa City, Iowa

Scope of Project: This ACT will provide services and products related to curriculum - and standards-based educational and career planning assessment activities for the first year of a five-year procurement including, but not limited to, the following:

- Delivery of a paper-based test administration and an online testing system which securely delivers test setup, administration, and reporting functions;
- Interest Inventory that provides valuable career and educational planning; and
- Student Profile Section that provides a profile of a student's work in high school and his/her future plans.

Renewal of contract for year five (5) shall be contingent upon the successful completion of preceding year's contract and availability of funds. Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employees.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract:                               July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027
- Amount to be Awarded:                       \$6,200,000
- Method of Award:                               Legislative Exemption

Funding Source: State Funds

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

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

**ACT, Inc.**  
**Four-Year Contract Award**  
**July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027**

<b>YEAR 1</b>	<b>\$1,550,000.00</b>
<b>YEAR 2</b>	<b>\$1,550,000.00</b>
<b>YEAR 3</b>	<b>\$1,550,000.00</b>
<b>YEAR 4</b>	<b>\$1,550,000.00</b>
<b>YEAR 5</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,200,000.00</b>