

OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
April 19-20, 2012

OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

10. Approval to renew contract with NCS Pearson, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2013 for the Mississippi Subject Area Testing Program, Second Edition (SATP2)

Awarded Vendor: NCS Pearson
 Iowa City, Iowa

Scope of Project: This SATP2 contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2013. The contractor will provide services and products related to printing, scoring, and reporting of these assessments for the fifth year of a ten year procurement including, but not limited to, the following:

- Item Development at a reduced rate of 40% for English II and Algebra I and 60% for Biology I and U.S. History;
- Reduced number of days for Data, Item and Bias Review Meetings;
- Reduced number of passages and Bias Review Meeting;
- A one-day U.S. History Standard Setting Meeting;
- Revised Technical Manual; and
- Policy Review Meeting and participation in the fall and spring Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meetings.

Renewal of contract for years six through ten will be determined annually and 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 employee.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract Renewal: April 20, 2009 – June 30, 2013
- Cost of Current Contract: \$16,076,934
- Renewal Increase: \$ 4,815,715
- Total Cost of Contract Renewal: \$20,892,649
- Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: State and Federal funds

Recommendation: Approval