

OFFICE OF QUALITY PROFESSIONALS & SPECIAL SCHOOLS
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
May 17-18, 2012

OFFICE OF THE MISSISSIPPI TEACHER CENTER

30. Approval to contract with Cambridge Education to provide training on the Mississippi Statewide Teacher Appraisal Rubric

Awarded Vendor: Cambridge Education
Westwood, Massachusetts

Scope of Project: The MS Department of Education has developed a comprehensive statewide teacher appraisal rubric, M-STAR. MDE will need to train a cohort of trainers to provide training to administrators, teachers, and other stakeholders on the use and scoring of the rubric. This training will include a review of the concept of multidimensional performance, facilitated practice using and scoring the rubric, a discussion of common rater errors, an exercise to initially calibrate ratings and field training located in area summer school classrooms to ensure inter-rater reliability.

Cambridge Education's broad diversity of skills and training expertise ensure that this training will be of the highest quality.

Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employees.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: May 21, 2012 – June 30, 2012
- Total Amount to be Awarded: \$82,362.23
- Method of Award: Pool of Service Providers

Funding Source: State funds

Recommendation: Approval