

**OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**June 20-21, 2013**

**OFFICE OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS**

09. Approval to contract with the Research Foundation for the State University of New York (SUNY - ESCORT) to provide technical assistance and professional development for the Migrant Education Program

Awarded Vendor: Research Foundation for the SUNY - ESCORT  
Albany, New York

Scope of Project: The purpose of this contract is to retain the services of ESCORT as a consultant to the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE). The contractor will perform the following services:

- Update the federally required Comprehensive Service Delivery Plan (SDP) in the areas of pre-school and K-12 services for migrant children and families (*NCLB Title I Part C Sec. 1306*);
- Assist MDE with the planning and facilitation of the annual Migrant Education Coordination Meeting with the Migrant Education Service Center (MS MESC);
- Facilitate interstate coordination of migrant education activities with states that “send” migrant children and families to Mississippi and states that “receive” children from Mississippi (*NCLA Title I Part C Sec. 1308*);
- Conduct site visits of migrant summer schools for the purpose of identifying areas of program improvement; and
- Provide the state with ongoing consulting services and technical support.

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

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014
- Total Amount to be Awarded: \$79,775
- Method of Award: Pool of Service Providers

Funding Source: Federal funds

Recommendation: Approval