

OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
July 18-19, 2013

OFFICE OF CHILD NUTRITION

- B. Approval to award competitive contracts to various produce distributors to supply and deliver produce to local organizations in the State Food Purchasing Program (Six Regions in the State)

Awarded Vendor: Four Seasons Produce, Inc.
Moss Point, MS

Merchants Foodservice
Hattiesburg, MS

Mid South Produce
Grenada, MS

Scope of Project: Under the State Food Purchasing Program (MS Code Section 37-11-7{3} and State Board Policy 2008), sealed, competitive bids were solicited for distribution of produce on behalf of participating organizations. The contracts are being awarded to the lowest and most responsive bidders. The contracts will be issued for a one-year period with an optional one-year renewal period. Contractors will deliver the produce to participants of the Child Nutrition programs in six regions of the state. Payment will be made directly to the contracted distributor by the local organizations.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: August 1, 2013 – July 31, 2014
- Cost of Contract: No MDE funds will be expended
- Method of Award: Invitation for Bids

Funding Source: N/A

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

ATTACHMENT 1

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Office of Healthy Schools and Child Nutrition
Produce Bid Recap**

Distributor	Region	Bid Amount
Mid South Produce	1	\$207,105.87
Merchants Foodservice	3	\$126,526.03
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Merchants Foodservice	6	\$107,535.33
Four Seasons Produce, Inc.	7	\$45,441.84