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17. <u>Approval to contract with Educational Awareness to provide school level, group level and individual student outcome data analysis professional development to the staff at the ten schools supported by the Teacher Incentive Fund provided by the US Department of Education</u>

> Awarded Vendor: Educational Awareness
>   Memphis, Tennessee

<u>Scope of Project</u>: The purpose of this contract is to retain the services of Educational Awareness as a consultant to the Mississippi Department of Education to provide professional development relative to student data analysis as a part of the professional learning communities established under the Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) grant.

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

The TIF grant is a competitive grant that focuses on performance-based compensation, principal and teacher evaluations, student growth data, and targeted professional development within ten targeted schools in MS awarded by the US Department of Education in the fall of 2010. All schools have implemented adult collaboration through professional learning communities and ongoing observation and analysis of building-level performance during the first two years of support indicate a need for more individualized training on student data analysis and correlation between student outcomes and individualized instruction in order to meet the instructional and learning objectives within each classroom. Educational Awareness will utilize All In Learning resources provided to each school as a resource for data analysis and instructional intervention and will provide on-site professional development tailored to each school's staff training needs.

<u>Scope of Contract</u>:

- Term of Contract: July 18, 2014 – June 30, 2015

- Total Amount to be Awarded: $99,000

- Method of Award: Pool of Service Providers

<u>Funding Source</u>: Federal Funds

Recommendation: Approval