## OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items April 11, 2019

## OFFICE OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

03.C. Action: Renew contract with Research and Curriculum Unit, Mississippi State
University for Fiscal Year 2020 for the operation of the Mississippi Career and
Planning and Assessment System, Third Edition (MS-CPAS3) [Goals 1 and 2 –
MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Research and Curriculum Unit

Mississippi State University Starkville, Mississippi

Starkville, Mississippi

Scope of Project: The MS-CPAS3 contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2020 and will provide occupation-specific tests to assess the performance of secondary and postsecondary CTE students. Test results are used to measure technical-skill attainment, which is one of the core indicators of performance required for Perkins IV reporting. The contract will provide services for the third year of a ten-year procurement including, but are not limited to the following:

- Test Development aligned with current MS Career and Technical Education Curriculum Frameworks for all CTE Programs of Study
- Administration of all tasks necessary to conduct online computer-based testing, return test results, and prepare data reports
- Test Security and Customer Service
- Delivery of Professional Development
- General Project Management

This is year three of a 10-year contract. Renewal of contract 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 of Education employees.

• 2019-2020 Renewal Cost: \$1,301,874

Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: State funds

This item references Goals 1 and 2 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2020 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None