

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
December 17, 2020

OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

- G. Approval of emergency contract with Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) for the Fiscal Year 2021 to administer the LAS Links, English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT)

Awarded Vendor: Data Recognition Corporation
Maple Grove, Minnesota 55311

Scope of Project: The MDE was unable to negotiate a contract with the only vendor who responded to the Request for Proposals (RFP) in June 2020 and recommended by an external evaluation panel for the administration of the ELPT. The MDE did not have sufficient time to release a second RFP for the administration of an ELP assessment during the spring 2021 testing window, as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) for English learners.

This contractor will provide programmatic, technical, and psychometric assessment activities for services in Fiscal Year 2021. The contractor will provide services and products related to printing, scoring, and reporting of the English Language Learner assessments for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

This is a seven (7) month emergency contract. Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employee.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: December 18, 2020 – June 30, 2021
- Amount to be Awarded: \$ 327,000
- Method of Award: Emergency Procurement

Funding Source: Federal funds

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None