

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER**  
**Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**February 20, 2020**

**OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AND READING**

02.E. Action: Renew contract with Curriculum Associates, LLC to provide a comprehensive early learning observational screener as part of the effectiveness evaluation for pre-kindergarten programs [Goal 3 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Curriculum Associates, LLC  
North Billerica, Massachusetts

Scope of Project: The Curriculum Associates, LLC contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2021. The contractor will provide the Brigance observational comprehensive developmental screening tool for four-year-old children in Early Learning Collaboratives and other public-school pre-k classrooms. The Brigance screener measures whole child development and the growth children make from fall to spring.

The contractor will provide the screener to public school pre-k programs for the following purposes:

- gather information to drive classroom instruction;
- identify the need for additional screening, including health screenings;
- provide additional information to families about developmental milestones of their children.

The observation tool will measure children’s development and growth over time related to social and emotional development, language development, cognition and general knowledge, physical well-being and motor development, and approaches to learning.

This is year two (2) of a five (5) 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 employees.

- July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021: \$ 37,406.80
- Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: State/Other funds

This item references Goal 3 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

**Curriculum Associates, LLC**

<b>MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT</b>	<b>AWARDED AMOUNT</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>\$ 97,565.16</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>\$ 37,406.80</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$134,971.96</b>