

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**May 1, 2024**

**OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT**

02. Action: Approval of a sole source contract with The Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Cambridge acting through its department Cambridge University Press & Assessment for the Corinth School District to administer the High School Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) assessments in place of the end-of-course MAAP assessments for Fiscal Year 2024 [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Cambridge University Press & Assessments  
Cambridge, CB2 8EA, United Kingdom

Scope of Project: The purpose of this contract is to administer Corinth School District the Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) for High School End-of-Course Assessments in GCSE First Language English, IGCSE Biology, IGCSE Mathematics, and IGCSE U.S. History.

The United States Department of Education granted approval in December 2022 for Corinth School District to use the Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) as a locally selected nationally recognized high school assessment (LSNRHSA) in place of the MAAP assessments. Specifically, the Cambridge IGCSE Mathematics will replace the MAAP Algebra I, IGCSE Biology will replace the MAAP Biology, IGCSE First Language English will replace the MAAP English II, and IGCSE U.S. History will replace the MAAP U.S. History for Corinth School District. These assessments are designed to align with the Cambridge International syllabi for IGCSE First Language English, IGCSE Biology, IGCSE Mathematics, and IGCSE U.S. History.

The assessment administration will include online registration for the high school students and exam entries; customer support before, during, and after testing; administration manuals; and exam delivery (packing, shipping, and scanning/processing of test booklets) for Fiscal Year 2024. The contractor will provide services and products related to customer support, scoring, and reporting of the high school IGCSE assessments as approved by the United States Department of Education.

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

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: May 17, 2024 – June 30, 2024
- Amount to be Awarded: \$ 74,130.00
- Method of Award: Sole Source Procurement

Funding Source: State funds

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

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None