

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER**  
**Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**June 16, 2022**

**OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT**

04.B. Action: Renew contract with NWEA for Fiscal Year 2023 to administer the English Language Arts and Mathematics in grades 3-8; Science Grades 5 & 8; and High School Algebra I, English II, and Biology I as part of the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program - Alternate, (MAAP-A) for students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (SCD) [Goals 1 and 2 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: NWEA.  
Portland, Oregon

Scope of Project: NWEA acquired assets from Questar Assessments, Inc on February 1, 2022. NWEA will continue to provide products and technical services for the Mississippi Academic Assessment Program (MAAP). This MAAP contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2023. The contractor will provide services and products related to programmatic, development, technical, and psychometric assessment activities of these assessments for the eighth year of a ten-year procurement including, but not limited to, the following:

- Fall testing of 4x4 EOC students
- Alignment Study for the science grades 5, 8, and Biology
- Math, ELA and Science Practice Items

This is year eight (8) of a ten (10) year contract. Renewal of contract shall be contingent upon the successful completion of services from the preceding fiscal year's contract and the availability of funds. Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employee.

Scope of Contract:

- July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023: \$ 2,158,311
- Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: Federal and General Funds

This item references Goal 1 and 2 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

Mississippi Academic Assessment Program, Alternate (MAAP-A)  
 English Language Arts, Mathematics – Grades 3-8  
 Grades 5 & 8 Science  
 Alternate English II, Alternate Biology, Alternate Algebra I (EOC)

<b>Questar Assessment, Inc.</b>	<b>AWARDED AMOUNT</b>
Year 1	\$1,798,128.00
Year 2	\$3,300,000.00
Year 3	\$2,300,000.00
Year 4	\$2,201,470.00
Year 5	\$2,201,424.00
Year 6	\$1,964,182.00
Year 7	\$1,068,623.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,833,827.00</b>

<b>NWEA</b>	<b>AWARDED AMOUNT</b>
Year 7	\$ 1,068,623.00
Year 8	\$ 2,158,311.00
Year 9	
Year 10	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,226,934.00</b>