

**OFFICE OF CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER**  
**Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**May 16, 2024**

**OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT**

02.C. Action: Renew the contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) for Fiscal Year 2025 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: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH)  
Boston, MA

Scope of Project: This MAAP-A contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2025. The contractor will provide services and products related to programmatic, development, technical, and psychometric assessment activities of these assessments for the final year of a ten-year procurement including, but not limited to, the following:

- Fall testing of 4x4 EOC SCD students; includes SCD retest students
- In-person item writing meetings with teachers of SCD students
- In-person training for districts for personnel administering tests

This is year ten (10) of a ten (10) year contract. Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employee.

Scope of Contract:

- July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025: \$ 2,155,641
- Method of Award: Request for Proposals

Funding Source: Federal and General Funds

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

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None