

OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Item
April 14-15, 2011

OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

14. Approval to renew contract with Riverside Publishing for Fiscal Year 2012 for the Elementary (Grade 5) and Middle (Grade 8) Grades Science Assessment Program

Awarded Vendor: Riverside Publishing Company
Rolling Meadows, Illinois

Scope of Project: The Science Assessment Program contract renewal includes services for Fiscal Year 2012. The contractor will provide services and products related to printing, scoring, and reporting of these assessments for the ninth year of the ten-year procurement including, but not limited to, the following services:

- One annotated Practice Test for each grade will be delivered;
- One form for Braille and Large Print Test Booklets will be printed and distributed;
- Five Braille copies and 75 Large Print copies of two Grade 5 and two Grade 8 practice tests will be delivered;
- Item development, data, and bias review meetings will be held in Jackson, Mississippi;
- The contractor will provide technical information and support and participate in the bi-annual Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meetings; and
- An updated Technical Manual will be delivered to the Mississippi 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 Renewal: September 1, 2003 – June 30, 2012
- Cost of Current Contract: \$6,859,838
- Renewal Increase: \$1,068,722
- Total Cost of Contract Renewal: \$7,928,560

• Method of Award: Request for Proposals

• Funding Source: Federal funds

Recommendation: Approval