Questions and Answers to RFP 2017-05 District Formative Assessments

1. What SIS does the District use?
   SAM Spectra

2. Does the district use DIBELS or MAP?
   The district does not currently use DIBELS.
   The district currently uses the Mississippi Assessment Program (MAP) state assessment.

3. Does the district use Fontas and Pinnell or GoMath?
   The district does use GoMath.

4. What Assessment System is the District Currently using?
   Assessment Technology, Incorporated

5. Please confirm student count for pricing purposes.
   The student count in grades 3-8 is approximately 12,332.
   The student count for Algebra I is approximately 1875.
   The student count for Biology I is approximately 2275.
   The student count for English II is approximately 2102.
   The student count for US History is approximately 1977.

6. From the third paragraph of RFP page 5, we see mention of "5 to 10 formative assessments…" Could the District please clarify the total number of forms desired, by subject, and the number of times per year they are to be administered?
   The 17-18 assessment calendar is under development; however, I am projecting that we will administer formative assessments for grades 3 – 8 and High school English II and Algebra I seven times throughout the year. This would be a total of 98 assessments. If we include 5th and 8th grade Science, Biology, and US History, the total will be 126.

7. From the same paragraph on page 5, does the District have any district pacing guide(s) available for our preview?
   The pacing guide is undergoing revision and will be made available after a contract has been approved and signed.

8. From Page 6, last row of table…References: "Vendor must provide documentation of past performance that proves ability to successfully manage the printing needs of the Office of Research, Evaluation, and Assessment. This requires specific references to substantiate past and current performance." Could you please clarify this requirement?
   The statement should read "Vendor must provide documentation of past performance that proves ability to successfully manage the online assessment needs of the Office of Research, Evaluation, & Assessment. This requires specific references to substantiate past and current performance.

9. Will you consider a response by two organizations that would result in separate JPSD contracts for each organization but which is fundamentally a teamed approach for a complete solution?
   All responses meeting the submission deadline will be considered.

10. Will we receive responses to these questions via a return email, a posting to your website, or other?
    Responses will be emailed and posted in the district's website.

11. How many students will be taking the assessments in grades 3-8?
    See question 5.