



GOOSE CREEK

CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Goose Creek CISD to experience delay in the delivery of textbooks

Because of the late close of the 82nd Legislative Session and pending implementation of Senate Bill 6, the Instructional Materials Allotment for Texas Public Schools, there will be a delay in the delivery of some textbooks to school districts this fall.

Goose Creek CISD will begin the year without kindergarten through second grade math textbooks. The school district will also begin the school year short in the following subjects: Biology, U.S. History, World History, Chemistry, Algebra 2, Pre-Calculus, and Literature grades 10 and 11.

Fortunately, there are enough textbooks on the campuses to utilize them as classroom sets, and teachers will check out textbooks to students who may need them for homework.

Because textbooks are only one resource used by teachers in Goose Creek CISD, the school district will not allow this delay to interfere with the quality of instruction provided to students.

Goose Creek CISD will utilize the textbooks on hand and will distribute additional books and materials as soon as they are received from the publishers.

The preparation of differentiated, varied, and high interest materials for instruction is currently under way for the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year on Aug. 22.

Teachers use multiple sources of materials to teach each content area and instructing beyond textbooks is a vital component of the district's core curriculum and instructional program.

The new TEA ordering system and other changes required by Senate Bill 6 will revamp how districts buy books.

Under the outgoing system, districts ordered books from the state, which paid for them. The new system creates an instructional materials fund for each district and broadens the types of books and other services the districts can buy with the money.

School districts will also be able to use their allotments to buy books not on the approved lists of the state education board. Previously, school districts wanting off-list books had to buy them with local funding.

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