

Instructional Materials Allotment

DISD Board of Trustees

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Instructional Materials Allotment (IMA)

- July 19th, 2011 Gov. Perry signed into law the provision of SB 6.
- August 1, 2011 the Texas Education Agency (TEA) began implementing the provisions of SB 6.
- August 3, 2011 the TEA distributed initial information and a [link to the IMA amount](#) for each district.

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- August 8, 2011-The Educational Materials System (EMAT) opened for schools to order materials [adopted under proclamation 2011](#), Supplemental Science, continuing contracts, and the Commissioner's List of Electronic Textbooks through the EMAT system.
- According to TEA staff, the one day record for EMAT requisitions was set by 11:00 am August 8, 2011.

Instructional Materials Allotment (IMA)

- For the first time, districts should consider the cost comparisons, and the content coverage before making a final decision.
- The balance between content and cost is the early initial measure of the effectiveness of the new IMA.

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- Each LEA (Local Education Agency) will receive the full amount over the biennium. (70 % in year 1, 30% Year 2)
 - 70% is approximately \$2,526,054.00
 - 30% is approximately \$1,082,594.00
 - An approximate total \$3,608,648.00
- The technology allotment allocation from past years is included in this amount.

Allowable Purchases and Uses of IMA

- commissioner's list of electronic materials;
- instructional materials regardless of whether the materials are on the SBOE-adopted list;
- consumables including workbooks;
- materials for use in bilingual education classes;
- SBOE-adopted supplemental materials; state-developed open-source materials;

Allowable Purchases and Uses of IMA

- Materials and technological equipment under continuing contracts of the district as of September 1, 2011;
- Technological equipment necessary to support the use of materials districts are allowed to purchase with the IMA. Allows IMA funds to be used to pay for educator training in the appropriate use of technological equipment for instructional purposes,
- To pay for the salary and other expenses of employees who provide technical support in the use of equipment directly involved in student learning.
- Requires each district to certify annually to the commissioner that the district IMA has been used only for the allowable expenses referenced above.

New Adoptions...

- Prekindergarten Systems
- Handwriting, Grades 1-3
- Spelling, Grades 1-2
- Spelling, Grades 3-6
- English Language Arts, Grades 2-8
- Spanish Language Arts, Grades 2-6
- English as a Second Language, Grades K-8, Student Material
- English as a Second Language, Grades K-8, Teacher Material
- Speech, Grades 6-8
- English, Levels I-IV

District Planning for New Adoptions

Short Term

- Spring 2011- Textbook selection committees reviewed all materials as in years past. Materials have been identified.
- Summer 2011- Re-evaluation of materials to ensure ALL materials adopted and selected are needed, or are their other sources.
- Materials to be ordered pending fall enrollment

District Planning for Existing Adoptions

Short Term

- Summer 2011- Complete needs assessment of current textbook inventory as compared to enrollment, classroom sets, etc
- Additional materials to be ordered pending enrollment.

District Planning for Existing/New Adoptions

Long Term

- Summer 2011- Established a committee inclusive of technology, the business office, curriculum and instruction, to explore possible hardware uses of IMA (electronic textbooks). This group to expand to include campus personnel.
- Complete needs assessment based on current allocation.

Discussion...