

GPISD Proclamation 2025 Hearing: LOTE Textbook Adoption Process

In preparation for the GPISD Proclamation 2025 Hearing, the District LOTE Department actively engaged in one-on-one meetings with Region 10's World Language Consultant to thoroughly evaluate state-approved instructional materials for Spanish for Heritage Speakers courses. Our primary focus was on instructional resources that fully support the LOTE TEKS and align with the ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines.

During these collaborative meetings, we worked diligently to develop a comprehensive rubric with clearly defined criteria for evaluating instructional materials. The LOTE textbook evaluation framework is structured into six key categories:

- The Three Modes of Communication
- Tools for Performance Level Assessment
- TEKS Alignment / ACTFL Alignment
- Tasks and Activities
- Technology Integration
- Resources for Students and Teachers

To ensure a thorough and informed selection process, our team participated in a dedicated session to review and understand the elements of the rubric, which was developed in collaboration with Region 10. On February 20, 2025, we formally presented two instructional resources for the Spanish for Heritage Speakers courses, following a comprehensive review process that included two weeks of digital access for teachers to independently explore available materials.

A dedicated committee of eight LOTE teachers, all actively teaching these courses, attended the LOTE Textbook Adoption Hearing. Each educator was required to participate in all sessions to guarantee that every recommendation presented to the board was meticulously evaluated. After extensive deliberation, our LOTE teachers have officially selected *Anécdotas* from One Way Education as the premier instructional resource for Spanish for Heritage Speakers Level 2 and Level 3 Advanced courses. This selection reflects our unwavering dedication to providing high-quality, standards-aligned materials that enhance student learning and proficiency.