

## **In-Service Days for 2005-2006**

The Director of Staff Development would like to request at least three early release days from the 2005-2006 school calendar to devote to professional development for our staff. The curriculum department is excited about building on the work we did this year on early release days. By providing our staff with the time to work together collaboratively, we are communicating how much we value the work they do and their need for continuous improvement.

The requested dates are as follows:

Wednesday, August 31, 2005

Thursday, October 6, 2005 – this is the Thursday prior to a student holiday, so it will simply extend the weekend for students and parents.

Thursday, April 27, 2006 – This is the Thursday before the proposed Friday, April 28, weather day. If we do not need to come to school on that day, our early release day will again extend the 3-day weekend. This is also the week after TAKS testing occurs and before AP testing begins.