

**Ector County Independent School District
Odessa, Texas**

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Wendell Sollis, Superintendent of Schools
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF ELECTIVE COURSE (BIBLE LITERACY [BG-G, C, D])
DATE: April 26, 2005

Attached is a letter from State Board of Education listing two courses available in the TEKS under which districts may choose to offer Bible course curriculum:

- 1) Special Topics in Social Studies, TAC §113.38, Social Studies (attached)
- 2) Literary Genres, TAC §110.51, English Language Arts (attached)

The Division of Instruction seeks approval from the Board of Trustees for the District Subject Area Coordinators to review Bible Literacy curriculum options to be implemented for the 2006-07 school year.

The intent is to offer an academic, non-devotional, elective class that will not proselytize to the students or train them in a particular religion.

Respectfully submitted,

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