

TIMELINE FOR OPENING EMAT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2006-07. For school year 2006-07, only currently-adopted materials will be available for requisitioning by local districts and charter schools. No new materials were adopted by the State Board of Education in November 2005 and none will be available for requisitioning in the spring of 2006. All requested instructional materials are expected to be delivered to school districts on time, provided they are requisitioned on time. The Educational Materials and Textbooks (EMAT) system will be closed for a total of 15 days starting March 22, 2006. Instructional materials that are urgently needed before EMAT reopens may be ordered on an emergency basis during that period. For emergency orders, school districts are asked to send a requisition by fax to Instructional Materials and Educational Technology at (512) 463-8728. More detailed information regarding requisitioning of materials for the upcoming school year will be provided in future announcements. Please note the following significant dates associated with the opening of EMAT for school year 2006-07:

March 22: EMAT will be closed to receipt of new requisitions from school districts for school year 2005-06. School districts will be able to view other areas of EMAT, but will not be able to create requisitions. In case of emergencies, schools should fax a requisition to Instructional Materials and Educational Technology at (512) 463-8728. Division staff will enter the requisition into EMAT and the order will be sent by Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) to the appropriate depository.

March 31: At noon EMAT will go offline so that the system may be prepared for school year 2006-07.

April 6: EMAT will be reopened for receipt of requisitions from school districts and charters schools for school year 2006-07.

June 1: Textbook depositories will begin shipment of instructional materials to school districts and charter schools.