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According to KRS 156.400 (3), the chief state school officer may delay the purchase of textbooks due to insufficient funds. Due to the inadequate amount allocated for textbooks in the current state budget, the textbook cycle will be delayed until sufficient funds are in place to continue the process.

Consequently, reviews of basal instructional materials have not taken place for the following subjects: social studies, language arts, reading, and literature, and arts/humanities.



Kentucky Textbook Adoption Updates

State Textbook Commission Approves New ELA Evaluation Tools

On Sept. 6, 2013, the Kentucky State Textbook Commission approved new evaluation instruments for Adoption Group I: language arts, reading and literature. Since contracts for Adoption Group I expired in 2012 and a new state multiple list is not available, any basal instructional resource purchases for language arts, reading and literature items must follow the Off-List Notification process, which includes the use of the new evaluation tools listed below.

Adoption Group I

Language arts, reading and literature

[Language arts, reading and literature \(K-2\) – Word](#)

[Language arts, reading and literature \(K-2\) – PDF](#)

[Language arts, reading and literature \(3-12\) – Word](#)

[Language arts, reading and literature \(3-12\) – PDF](#)

The District Off-List Notification process statutory guidelines can be found at this [link](#). The process includes gathering items noted in the checklist below.

- ____ Signature of the school council or principal and date signed
- ____ Signature of the superintendent or designee and date signed
- ____ State-approved evaluation instrument for the appropriate content area, completed, signed and dated
- ____ Rationale stating why the item better meets the needs of students than items on the state multiple lists
- ____ Letter from the vendor stating the cost of the item and the gratis items, if any, with purchase
- ____ Completed [Form B](#) for a print basal resource (provided by the vendor)
- ____ Completed [Form M](#) for a digital basal resource (provided by the vendor)

The District Off-List Notification process must be used for all basal resources purchased for social studies, language arts, reading, literature or arts/humanities since current state multiple lists are not available for those subjects. Contracts are still in place for items on state multiple lists for [science](#), [mathematics](#) and [practical living, career studies, and career and technical education](#).

Helpful Links

[Main KDE Textbooks Web Page](#)

[District Off-List Notification Process](#)

[Sample District Textbook Purchasing Plan](#)

[Approved/Not Approved Supplemental Purchasing Information](#) (with textbook funds)

[Archived Kentucky Textbook Adoption Updates newsletters](#)

[Kentucky Educational Publishers Association](#)