
List of State Approved Textbooks - Section D (Social Studies; World Languages; CTE Arts, Marketing, Finance, Business Management & Administration)

The Background:

The State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission (Commission) has prepared a preliminary list of textbooks and instructional resources for Section D (Social Studies; World Languages; CTE Arts, Marketing, Finance, Business Management & Administration).

T.C.A. § 49-1-302(a)(9) states that it is the duty of the Board, and the Board has the power to, “prescribe the use of textbooks and other instructional materials, based on recommendations of the state textbook and instructional materials quality commission, for the various subjects taught or used in conjunction with the public schools.” T.C.A. § 49-6-2202(a) requires the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission to prepare “a list of standard editions of textbooks and instructional materials for approval by the State Board of Education for the use in the public schools of the state.” This item presents the preliminary list of textbooks for approval.

In the March 19, 2018 meeting, the Commission recognized an advisory panel consisting of 74 teachers to provide feedback to the Commission on Textbooks and Instructional Materials for Section D.

The panelists will conduct independent reviews during the months of June, July, and August and will submit their reviews on June 11, 2018, (Section 1 Review) and August 23, 2018 (Final Review). These reports will be disseminated to the Commission members, the respective publishers, and others as designated by the Process for Public Review of Textbooks in Tennessee Department of Education policy. The Commission will meet on September 6, 2018, and September 25, 2018, to review the recommendations from the panelists, hear publisher’s final responses to the panel reviews, and hear any public comments, either written or verbal. The Commission will meet on September 25, 2018, to determine which textbooks and instructional materials to recommend to the Board for approval.

Samples of all textbooks and instructional materials bid for Section D are available for review online in digital format. Links and instructions on how to access the materials are posted on the Online Samples page of the Department of Education’s website: <https://www.tn.gov/education/textbook-services/textbook-online-samples.html>.

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends acceptance of this item on first reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation