
2026-2027

Call for Bids: Schedule of Events

ANNUAL DATES	TASKS
Wednesday, July 1 – Wednesday, July 15, 2026	Advertisement for the Call for Bids in the Clarion Ledger and on the Mississippi Instructional Materials Matter website
Friday, July 17, 2026	Intent to Submit (Appendix A) should be submitted through the Textbook SharePoint Portal
Tuesday, July 21, 2026	Publisher Orientation Session (link will be posted on the Mississippi Instructional Materials Matter website)
Friday, July 24, 2026	Questions regarding bid procedures or standards alignment should be submitted through the Textbook SharePoint Portal
Tuesday, July 28, 2026	Questions and Responses will be posted on the Mississippi Instructional Materials Matter website
Tuesday, August 18, 2026	Textbook Bid Packages are due by 2:00 p.m. See Section 4 of the Call for Bids regarding required documents and print materials
Monday, September 14 – Friday, September 18, 2026	State Textbook Rating Committees will meet to review materials Print materials will need to be delivered to the State Textbook Rating Committee no later than Monday, September 15. Paid return postage should be included.
Tuesday, October 13, 2026	Anticipated date of the Notice of Intent to Award letters will be sent to publishers
Thursday, November 19, 2026	Adoption results are presented to the SBE for final approval
Thursday, November 19, 2026	Adopted titles will be posted on the Mississippi Instructional Materials Matter website
Wednesday, December 2 – Friday, December 4, 2026	Districts will receive training on adopted titles, purchase protocols, and the caravan timeline during the Mississippi Literacy Association Conference
Monday, January 4, 2027	Contracts sent to publishers/vendors for signature
Thursday, January 7, 2027	Final pricing options are due to Ingram Education Services



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Tuesday, January 19, 2027	Contracts and bonds due from Publishers
Tuesday, February 2 – Thursday, February 4, 2027	In-person caravan (Tupelo, Jackson, Hattiesburg)
Friday, February 19, 2027	Intent to Adopt due from districts
Tuesday, February 23, 2027	Publishers will receive the results of the Intent to Purchase, and direct communication can start between vendors and districts
Thursday, April 1, 2027	Contract effective start date and materials available at the TN Book Company
