## Texas School Board beats back anti-evolution proponents in approving new science textbooks

The Texas State Board of Education recently voted to adopt high school biology and environmental science textbooks which include accurate instruction on evolution and climate change, scoring a win for science education in the state.

Despite opposition from some board members and political activists, the board voted to adopt all textbooks and instructional materials submitted by 14 publishers for high school biology and high school environmental science, none of which call into question the overwhelming evidence supporting evolution and climate change science.

"It's hard to overstate the importance of today's vote, which is a huge win for science education and public school students in Texas," said Texas Freedom Network President Kathy Miller. "Four years ago this board passed controversial curriculum standards some members hoped would force textbooks to water down instruction on evolution and climate change. But that strategy has failed because publishers refused to lie to students and parents demanded that their children get a 21<sup>st</sup>-century education based on established, mainstream science."

Read the full, original story here: BREAKING NEWS: Science Education Wins in Texas!

Additional Resources:

- "Why We Must Teach Evolution in Our Public Schools," Independent Voter Network
- "Are We Sliding Backward on Teaching Evolution?" Time