

Materials Contracts – Your options in FY2009

Hi

I hope this email finds you well.

I wanted to send a quick reminder to everyone that NTRLS will no longer be able to offer the materials contracts to you effective 9/1/2008. The Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) has decided to centralize this function in Austin. You will find handouts on how to utilize the Texas Contracts for materials. The Library Contract Instructions will outline what has been done so I recommend reading that first. There is also a matrix of the discounts available as well as the needed form to receive the discounts. TSLAC has offered to have a conference call for NTRLS libraries if needed.

The Library Foundation of North Texas(LFNT) has also come to terms with material vendors for discounts. The vendors have agreed to extend discounts in FY2009 to NTRLS member libraries by transferring the existing contracts to LFNT and renewing for another year. LFNT received the FY2008 NTRLS discounts. In other words, you will be able to receive the same vendor discounts from the FY2009 LFNT contracts that you did from the FY2008 NTRLS negotiated contracts. Of course, libraries are not official members of LFNT so you probably need to check with your city purchasing departments to make sure you are able to legally use the contracts.

For more information concerning the State Contracts, contact Chris Jowasis.
For more information on the LFNT contracts, please contact me.

A day without laughter is a day wasted

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