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**TEXARKANA ISD VIRTUAL ACADEMY NOW ENROLLING
FOR 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR**

Texarkana, TX – TISD's newest innovative educational program, in partnership with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and Calvert Education Services (CES), is now accepting applications for Grades 3-6 for the 2011-12 school year.

The Texarkana ISD Virtual Academy will provide online learning for any public school student who is motivated to learn academic content in a customized educational setting with the daily support of a responsible adult. Students will be challenged and encouraged to achieve the highest academic level of learning while at the same time fostering their ability to integrate ideas and concepts across subject areas. Enrollment for the 2011-12 school year is limited to 75 enrollees.

Through the collaboration with Calvert Education Services, the Texarkana ISD Virtual Academy will offer a customized version of the world-renowned Calvert School curriculum that is also aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). All students enrolled in the academy will have the same accountability measures required by the State and will be required to take all annual assessments.

Enrolled students will have course studies that offer flexible pacing and customized instruction in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Physical Education, Health and Fine Arts.

Supervising teachers will monitor the virtual classroom along with the student's progress. They will help problem-solve, lead discussion, demonstrate via webcam, offer intervention, remediation and enrichment for the student and the managing parent/guardian.

For more information or to enroll, visit www.texarkanaisdvirtualacademy.com or contact Marsha Burris at 903.793.5632 or burrism@txkisd.net.

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