



### Main Office – Textbook and Instructional Material Ordering Process

### 3. PROCESS AREA/BUSINESS AREA DESCRIPTION

- Step 1.0: School decides what books/materials to order
- Step 2.0: Search FMS for the title/ISBN for items needing to purchase
- Step 3.0: Are these items in FMS?

If yes, proceed to Step 4.0. If no, skip to Step 15.0.

- Step 4.0: Select the books/materials and the correct quantity needed
- Step 5.0: Complete the check-out process (include account number, approves and notes to buyer)
- Step 6.0: Send requisition to principal for approval
- Step 7.0: Once approved, forward requisition to buyer requisition pools for release to supplier
- Step 8.0: Buyer releases requisition into a purchase order (PO) and sends it to supplier

Requisitions may be sent via fax, email or snail mail.

Step 9.0: Order is shipped to Supply Warehouse

Step 10.0: Shipment is inspected for damage and quantity against PO

#### Step 11.0: Are materials correct?

If yes, proceed to Step 12.0. If no, skip to Step 14.0.

### Step 12.0: Place materials in box with copy of PO

If appropriate, materials may be placed in an envelope instead of a box.

# Step 13.0: Seal box, add computer printed label with school name and staff contact name

# Step 14.0: Notify sender of the error and contact vendor for prepaid return label

Vendor provides a prepaid return label when errors in orders exist. MCPS then returns the incorrect/damaged item(s) for correction.

# Step 15.0: School consults with Evaluation and Selection (E&S) staff to verify that text is approved



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#### Step 16.0: School completes a Non-Catalog Request

Please provide all of the information for the book in FMS.

#### **Step 17.0: School completes FMS check-out process**

Please include account number, approvers and any additional notes to the buyer.

#### Step 18.0: Requisition is sent to school principal for approval

## Step 19.0: Once approved, requisition is sent to E&S for verification and approval

