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[Defender Restored] Evolution vs. Creationism

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Crystal,

Below in red are the responses from Curtis Smith, our Science Curriculum Coordinator for grades 6-12. He prefers not to do an interview on camera, but is happy to answer your questions via email or phone. Also attached is ACT 473 that allows teachers to bring in supplemental materials in addition to the textbook on certain topics.

Here are a few questions I'd like to ask on camera to a curriculum on camera.

1. When is Darwin's Theory of evolution taught in schools in Bossier? What year and the classes? It is introduced in Middle School but not in any detail by the curriculum in 7th grade Life Science by having students explain how some members of a species survive under changed environmental conditions. Again in 8th grade students investigate how fossils show the development of life over geologic time. Darwin's Theory is discussed in more detail in 10th grade Biology. It is also discussed in Earth Science in the same way as in 8th grade in more detail concerning fossils and geologic time.

2. Are teachers/ schools asking you to approve supplemental

materials? Yes or no and what age group? If they don't want to name names, is it elementary, middle, high school? Does it match up to the year when evolution is taught? 1. Teachers have been covering the State approved curriculum and State approved textbooks that include the concepts discussed for the Grade Level Expectations in each of our science classes where evolution is discussed. I have never received a request from any teacher or school to cover any concepts outside of what is expected for students to know on end of course test or high stakes tests. 2. So the answer is no for any teachers asking me to approve supplemental materials. 3. Teachers teach evolution concepts when they are covered in the textbook or in the State Approved curriculum timeline.

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