

PARIS JUNIOR COLLEGE LAUNCHES NEW TEXAS COORDINATING BOARD PILOT PROGRAM

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The Paris Junior College Adult Education and Family Literacy Department, under the direction of Louisa Kessel, recently received notification from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) that it is the recipient of a new pilot grant program targeting recent GED graduates.

Participants in the Intensive Summer Program (ISP) must have received a GED between July 1, 2007 and July 1, 2009. According to THECB, "The purpose of the Intensive Summer Program (ISP) is to promote successful transition and college success for recent GED graduates. The ISP program will provide academically at-risk students opportunities to gain skills associated with persistence and success in college."

The Paris Junior College ISP will hold classes from noon

to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, July 8 through Aug. 13.

Students participating in the program will receive intensive instruction in reading, writing and study skills. In addition, participants will be given a weekly stipend to assist with associated expenses, such as childcare and transportation. Participants who complete the program will also receive a book scholarship to PJC in the fall. All tuition and program materials, including textbooks, will be provided to students free of charge.

Linda Vandiver will be the instructor for the ISP. Ms.

Vandiver retired from PJC in 2007 as director of the Educational Opportunity Center, a federally funded program created to provide college enrollment and academic assistance to adults. Ms. Vandiver is also currently a part-time instructor in the Adult Education Department and is an adjunct instructor in developmental English at the college.

For additional information, contact the Adult Education Department at Paris Junior College at 903-782-0424. Class size is limited, so interested participants should call to reserve

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