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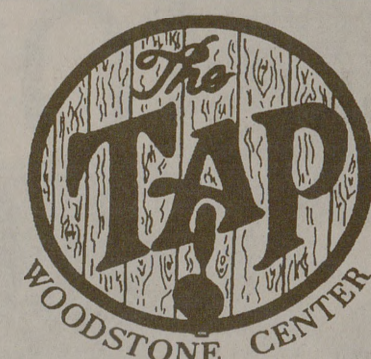
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## TEXAS TEXT

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At the present time, TTE includes approximately 450 students and has registered 250 books to their online database.

Before the program was developed, students with various disabilities had to rely on cassette-tape versions of necessary textbooks. The process of recording and distributing these tapes required long hours of preparation and were often of poor quality.

"I had the idea of transferring these textbooks online. E-texts had been used before for the visually impaired, but it wasn't traditional," Sweeney said.

At the beginning of the program, Sweeney scanned one page at a time. Although it started out time consuming, the method quickly turned into an effective combination.

Once the texts started to go online, Sweeney began speaking with other universities around Texas about similar programs.

"I started talking to these other universities and found out that they were attempting similar ideas, and that we were duplicating a lot of the same books," Sweeney said. "We were wasting a lot of effort working separately."

With the help of Toby Boenig, project coordinator for TTE, Sweeney sent outlines of the program and invitations to colleges and universities around Texas.

"We sent out 100 invitations, and we got an enormous response," Sweeney said. "We already have 25 schools online with us. Southwest Texas State [University] was the first to respond to our invitation."

Legal issues are a concern for Sweeney and Boenig.

"We are working off of a 1996 Copyright Amendment and Section 121 of the Copyright Code," Sweeney said. "A&M is the first university to create and organize a program like this specifically for students with disabilities. I think other universities are hesitant about this type of program because of the possible legal ramifications."

## INTERACTIVE

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Andrea Pool, communication specialist in the College of Rural Public Health, said the college has placed health educators in various rural parts of the state and uses TTVN as a learning tool.

"The rural areas do not always have as much access to the latest health care information, so we help them with the tele-video," Pool said.

Pool said another effort being

made by the college is the Education Rural Outreach program, a mobile medical program that visits rural areas.

The HERO van contains various medical supplies, including x-ray equipment.

When dental x-rays are in the field, they can be transmitted digitally to the College of Dentistry so the student can view and analyze them.

Street said health educators sometimes hesitate to emerging medical technology.

## SCHOOL

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David Jones, chair of medical school admissions at the University of Texas Medical School at San Antonio, said A&M students are accepted into the school at a high rate.

"Applicants who are successful in

getting into the University of Texas Medical School at San Antonio are academically prepared, and they demonstrate those personal qualities that predict success as a physician," Jones said.

"Those accepted are motivated, ethical, responsible and well informed. A&M has the highest number of students in its first-year medical class."

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