Libraries partner to assist local teachers

Scenic Regional Library and the Washington Public Library have partnered to offer a teachers' assistance service to educators in Franklin, Gasconade, and Warren counties.

The free service, which launches April 1, allows teachers to submit a request online for their classroom and have library materials delivered to their school. Teachers can also choose to pick up the materials at the branch or library nearest to their school. When the materials are delivered, the teacher can also schedule a pickup time.

The service is available to educators at preschools, daycares, private schools, and public schools. The teacher assistance request form can be found at www.scenicregional.org/teacherform.

Teachers can request up to 50 items at a time, including DVDs, CDs, books, and audiobooks. They can request specific titles or materials about a subject, such as "children's books about planets". Educators can also use the service to request materials to assist with lesson planning. The libraries ask that a teacher provide the library with at least two weeks to fill a request.