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Senator Robert Nichols

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Nichols meets with local superintendents

Shepherd -- Sen. Robert Nichols (R-Jacksonville) met with local superintendents from San Jacinto and Polk counties. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss education issues in preparation for the 85th Legislature which convenes in January.

"The Legislature faces many challenges this session, and we cannot make good decisions unless we are listening closely to those we represent," said Nichols. "Education is and always will be one of the most important issues we face as a state."

Before each legislative session Nichols meets with each of the school district Superintendents in Senate District 3 to listen to their priorities and discuss issues facing the local education community.

"The policy decisions made in Austin have a significant impact on our school," said J.W. Kirkham, Shepherd ISD Business Manager. "It was good to meet with Senator Nichols and share with him what our education priorities are for next Session."

Senate District 3, which includes over 100 school districts throughout 19 counties, encompasses the greater part of East Texas and Montgomery County.

"These meetings help me to understand how decisions in Austin impact local schools," stated Nichols. "I appreciate the opportunity to meet with superintendents and discuss how we can continue improving our education system. Our combined goal is to ensure children have the educational tools they need to be successful."

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Photo L-R: Coldspring-Oakhurst ISD Superintendent Dr. Leland Moore, Shepherd ISD Business Manager J.W. Kirkham, Senator Robert Nichols, Goodrich ISD Superintendent Dr. Gary Bates, Jody Cronin, Big Sandy ISD Superintendent Eric Carpenter, Onalaska ISD Superintendent Lynn Redden