

# Which Path Will Your School Take?

## Scenario #2:

Delayed Adoption  
(early May)\*

- The bookstore receives requisition from a department or professor and determines that 50 books will need to be ordered.
- Since the book was used during the previous semester, the bookstore will buy back approximately 20 copies from their students.
- The bookstore has found out that 12 used copies are available for purchase from the wholesaler at a low price.
- The bookstore now must order 18 new copies from the publisher for full cost.
- **All books are available to students at the first day of class, but some will have to either pay for the new book price or shop elsewhere.**

## Scenario #1:

On-Time Adoption (mid-April)\*

- Bookstore receives requisition from a department or professor and determines that 50 books will need to be ordered.
- Since the book was used during the previous semester, the bookstore will buy back approximately 20 copies from their students.
- The bookstore then finds out that 30 used copies are available for purchase from the wholesaler at a low price.
- **All books are available on the first day of class to students at a competitive price.**

## Scenario #3:

Last-Minute Adoption  
(mid-August)\*

- The bookstore receives requisition from a department or professor and determines that 50 books will need to be ordered.
- Since buyback has passed, there is no opportunity for students to sell back their books. The bookstore must pursue other options.
- The bookstore finds out that there are no used copies available for purchase from the wholesaler.
- The bookstore now must order 50 new copies from the publisher at full cost.
- **Depending on how late the school's adoption was turned in, the books they need may or may not be available. Students now must purchase new books at a higher price or look elsewhere for cheaper alternatives.**

**Remember to get your adoptions  
in as early as possible!**

*\*Dates may vary depending on your school's term structure.*