

The Center for Inquiry Austin and the Austin Evolution Meetup present

Will **TEXAS** Support 21st Century Science **EDUCATION?**

A Briefing by Texas Citizens for Science

Wednesday, January 16th at 7:00 pm

Mangia Pizza's Chicago Room • Austin, Texas

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Steven Schafersman

President of Texas Citizens for Science

Chris Comer

Former Director of Science at the Texas Education Agency

Dr. Steven Schafersman of Texas Citizens for Science (<http://www.texscience.org>) will discuss the mounting threats to science education in Texas. He will cover the forthcoming revision of Texas K-12 science standards, the forced resignation of Chris Comer at the Texas Education Agency, and the effort by the Dallas-based Institute for Creation Research to obtain Texas certification to grant master's degrees in science education.

After the briefing we will have a Q&A session and open discussion. Chris Comer will also be on hand to answer questions about science education in Texas.

What Can You Do?

GET INFORMED

Texas Citizens for Science: www.texscience.org

Texas Freedom Network: www.tfn.org/standupforscience/index.php

National Center for Science Education: www.ncseweb.org

GET ACTIVE

Dr. Raymund Paredes THECB: Raymund.Paredes@thecb.state.tx.us

Texas Education Agency: www.tea.state.tx.us/tea/contact.html



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