

# Texas State Capitol Teacher Guide 2nd-3rd Grade Tour

A field trip to the Texas State Capitol provides an exciting and unique experience for students of all ages. The Texas Capitol has stood for more than 130 years and has become a dynamic symbol of the state.



The Capitol has **FREE** guided tours that are offered daily. The tours focus on architecture, Texas history and the legislative process. For more information and to schedule your tour please call 512.305.8402.

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The 2nd-3rd Grade tour emphasizes the role of leadership and citizenship in Texas. Students will discover characteristics of good citizenship and heroic deeds of state leaders. Students will also learn about the foundations of state government in the very building where laws are enacted.

Students generally do the following:

- ★ **View** the statues of early Texas leaders Stephen F. Austin and Sam Houston in the *South Foyer*.
- ★ **Discover** the role of civic leaders by seeing the governor portraits in the *Rotunda*.
- ★ **See** portraits of diverse Texas heroes including Lorenzo DeZavala and Barbara Jordan in the *Senate Chamber*.
- ★ **Explore** the symbol of the Lone Star expressed throughout the *House of Representatives Chamber*.
- ★ **View** the Goddess of Liberty and her Lone Star from the *Capitol Extension*.

The tour meets the following Social Studies TEKS objectives:

## 2nd Grade

- ★ 2.1A & 1B
- ★ 2.2A & 2B
- ★ 2.4A & 4B
- ★ 2.6B
- ★ 2.11A
- ★ 2.12A, 12C & 12D
- ★ 2.13A, 13B, 13C & 13D
- ★ 2.14C & 14D
- ★ 2.18A & 18B

## 3rd Grade

- ★ 3.1A, 1B & 1C
- ★ 3.3A
- ★ 3.9A & 9B
- ★ 3.11A & 11C
- ★ 3.12A
- ★ 3.14A & 14B
- ★ 3.17A

