

Texas State Capitol Teacher Guide Kindergarten-1st 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 120 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.

The Kindergarten-1st Grade tour emphasizes symbols and government. Students will discover the contributions of people of various racial and ethnic groups to Texas. Students learn about the foundations of state government in the very building where laws are enacted.

Students generally do the following:

- ★ *See* the monumental painting of Texas hero David Crockett in the *South Foyer*.
- ★ *Discover* the symbols on the seals of the six sovereign nations that have governed Texas on the *Rotunda* floor.
- ★ *Learn* about how laws (rules) of Texas are made 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:

Kindergarten

- ★ K.2A & 2B
- ★ K.3B
- ★ K.4A
- ★ K.8A & 8B
- ★ K.9A & 9B
- ★ K.10D
- ★ K.14A & 14B

1st Grade

- ★ 1.1A
- ★ 1.2A
- ★ 1.3A
- ★ 1.11A & 11B
- ★ 1.12A, 12B & 12C
- ★ 1.13A & 13C
- ★ 1.14A & 14D
- ★ 1.17A & 17B

