

### TEXCURSIONS PROGRAM GUIDE

TEKS-BASED, EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PROGRAMS

### 2024/2025 SEASON

PROUDLY SERVING STUDENTS AND TEACHERS ACROSS NORTH TEXAS



## **ABOUT US...**

A NONPROFIT THAT SPECIALIZES IN CURATING AND HOSTING TEKS-ALIGNED, EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS ACROSS NORTH TEXAS

ECHO Education is a 501(c)3 designated nonprofit organization that serves students and teachers across North Texas. We invite you to explore Texas by booking a TEXcursion for your students this year! Elevate your field trip experience this year by booking a 100% hosted educational program that focuses on the specific TEKS-based subject of your choosing.

### WHETHER YOU WANT TO ENGAGE IN A SPECIFIC SCIENCE OR WANT TO EXPLORE TEXAS HISTORY, WE HAVE A PROGRAM FOR YOU!

Each program is crafted to encourage extensive learning in an experiential and educational atmosphere. From the moment you and your students step aboard safety-first charter buses, ECHO Education staff engages your students through activities, lessons, and games that explore the subject chosen by you. That's right- your day is completely hosted and guided by ECHO Education Facilitators!

Choose your educational adventure, and ECHO Education handles the rest. To make the process as easy as possible for your teachers and staff, all programs are planned in their entirety by our team. From venue scheduling to t-shirt orders, lesson plans, transportation, and activities on the buses, we handle all planning and day-of operations for you!



# TEXCURSIONS

### **3RD GRADE**



#### ICE AGE: TEXAS \$110/PARTICIPANT

VENUES: WACO MAMMOTH NATIONAL MONUMENT & THE MAYBORN MUSEUM



### **DIGGING UP HISTORY** \$120/PARTICIPANT

VENUES: WACO MAMMOTH NATIONAL MONUMENT & INNER SPACE CAVERN





TEXAS HISTORY & SCIENCE ALIVE \$120/PARTICIPANT

VENUES: TEXAS STATE CAPITOL. TEXAS STATE VISITORS CENTER. & INNER SPACE CAVERN



### TEXAS HISTORY ALIVE \$120/PARTICIPANT

**VENUES: BULLOCK TEXAS** STATE HISTORY MUSEUM. TEXAS STATE CAPITOL & TEXAS STATE VISITORS CENTER \*ADD-ON OPTION: TEXAS STATE CEMETERY TOUR (+ \$10/PARTICIPANT)



**5TH GRADE** MAKING WAVES WITH WATER

\$90/PARTICIPANT

VENUE: JOHN BUNKER SANDS WETLAND ADAPTABLE FOR 6TH GRADE



### DIGGING UP HISTORY \$120/PARTICIPANT

**VENUES: WACO MAMMOTH** NATIONAL MONUMENT & INNER SPACE CAVERN

25% OFF PROGRAM FEE FOR 1 TEACHER PER 25 STUDENTS! **VIEW COMPLETE LIST OF PROGRAM INCLUSIONS ON NEXT PAGE!** 



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### **TEXCURSIONS PROGRAM INCLUSIONS**

- Entry to all venues on program itinerary
- ECHO Education planning coordinator
- Program Facilitators and Director lead all activities/tours on day of trip
- Pre-program activities to prepare for day-of
  Safety-first charter transportation experience
- Post-program activities to extend program curriculum beyond your trip
- Snacks (2) + 1 Meal

- Participant souvenir t-shirt
- Activity Guides (including educator guides)
- Program souvenir for students
- School souvenir
- Free and simple program registration
- 25% program fee 1 Teacher/25 Students
- Program fee for Lead Teacher and one

#### Administrator covered by ECHO Education!

Note: Participants bring their own lunch on all programs except Ice Age: Texas & Making Waves with Water.



**NEW IN 2024/2025! 1** Teacher for every 25 students receives 25% off their program fee!

"ECHO Education was phenomenal to work with on our field trip to Austin. Our students were immersed in engaging activities and education the entire day. We will definitely book again next year and would love to even try another tour!" - Teacher, McKinney ISD





Very organized and wellrun! Easy to book with open lines of communication. **Staff is very accepting and accommodating of ALL kids** and their specific needs!

- TEACHER, ALEDO ISD

"I would like to express my gratitude to your company for providing such an outstanding field trip for our 4th grade students to Austin. I was impressed with all the details for the trip – because every "i was dotted and every t was crossed!" I have planned this trip for many years along with teachers. It takes a great deal of time to organize a trip like this and I can't tell you how pleased I was... The price was very affordable and the kids learned and had fun...we are already looking forward to next year's trip."

- PRINCIPAL, MANSFIELD ISD



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Our daughter just went on the Austin trip and the excitement when she got home was amazing! **She told story after story about the history of TX.** Thank you for such an amazing opportunity for the

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kids!

- PARENT, EAGLE MOUNTAIN-SAGINAW ISD

Our first, and definitely not last, trip with ECHO Education. **Highly** recommend them!

- TEACHER, CO-EDUCATIONAL PARISH, DALLAS, TX

"We liked that there was no time wasted and that ECHO Ed staff guided us all day. Our students were engaged the whole time. The students were very prepared by your staff for what they would be seeing and experiencing during the Austin visit. All of your staff was professional and courteous to our teachers and students. We look forward to next year!!"

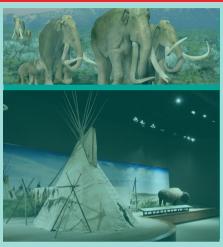
- TEACHER, CARROLLTON-FARMERS BRANCH ISD

### RECOMMENDED PROGRAMMING BY GRADE

### **3RD GRADE** ICE AGE: TEXAS

#### TEXAS GEOLOGY, PALEONTOLOGY, & NATURAL SCIENCE

Participants visit the Waco Mammoth National Monument where students examine the remains of an entire nursery herd of mammoths and learn about the Ice Age in Texas. The group then travels to the Mayborn Museum where they delve into the Texas' natural history, wonders, and curiosities!





### 4TH GRADE TEXAS HISTORY & SCIENCE ALIVE

#### TEXAS HISTORY, GOVERNMENT & NATURAL SCIENCE

Participants tour the State Capitol of Texas and the Texas State Visitors Center in Austin before ending the day at Inner Space Cavern in Georgetown. The day is filled with learning about our state government and leaders, tales, and heroes at the Capitol and Visitors Center before taking a look underground to learn about the ancient history of this great state! Double the subjects, double the souvenirs, too!

### **5TH GRADE** MAKING WAVES WITH WATER

#### TEXAS ECOLOGY, SUSTAINABILITY, SYSTEMS & CYCLES

Participants on the Making Waves With Water program learn about the ecology of a wetland and their role in the overall health of our ecosystem. They will collect and analyze macroinvertebrate data at the John Bunker Sands Wetlands Center, discover if they are a "Water Saver" or "Water Waster," and will learn the power of mimicking nature as they learn about vermicomposting and different naturally occurring cycles!



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