



TMM Educational Program: Exploration & Settlement

Overview: This program will focus on the settlement of Texas in relation to the coast. Students will learn about the first explorers and settlers of Texas and how that has shaped the state throughout history. Historical figures such as Cabeza de Vaca and Rene Robert Cavalier, Sieur de La Salle are discussed for their roles in the exploration and settlement of Texas. Students will also learn about Native American settlements, as well as early European settlements.

Audience: This program is designed for elementary age students, but may be adapted for other grade levels.

Theme: The theme of this program is the exploration and settlement of Texas from the Gulf Coast.

Goal: The goal of this program is for the participant to learn about early explorers, settlers and their influence on Texas history.

Activities: Build your own compass, Navigation activity.

Vocabulary:

- Compass
- Settlement
- Exploration
- Navigation
- Maps