

SAN FELIPE

state historic site

EDUCATOR GUIDE

San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site preserves the location where Stephen F. Austin established his colony for 297 American families in 1823. Walk in the footsteps of Texas' early pioneers at what was once the social, economic, and political center of Texas, as well as the first capital of the provisional government of the new Republic in 1836.

Contact Information

San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site
15945 FM 1458
San Felipe, TX 77473
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Hours and Reservations

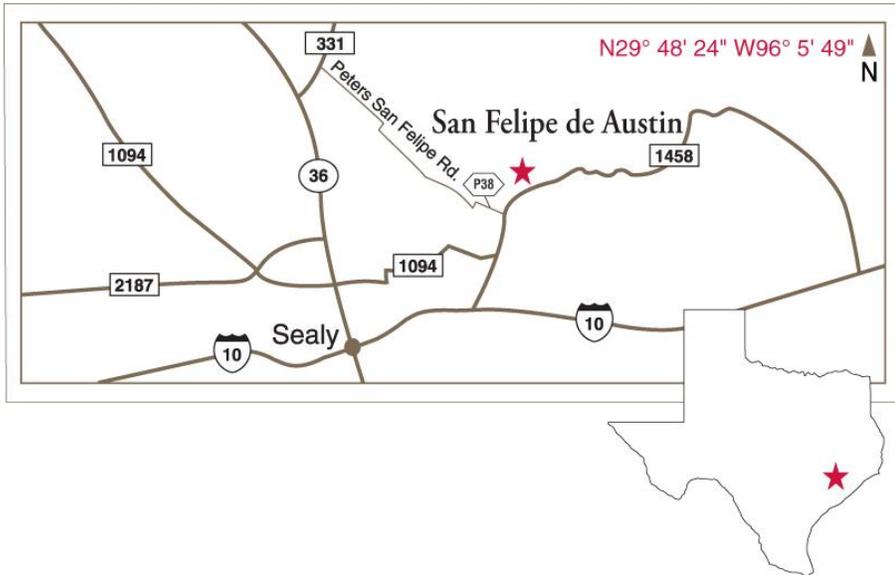
Guided school tours are offered Tuesday through Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please request a school tour at least two weeks in advance by contacting the site. For more information or to schedule a visit, please call 979.885.2181.

General Admission

Admission to the site is free. Please note that we recommend a ratio of one adult supervisor to every 10 students. There are no additional fees charged for educational programs.

Directions

From I-10, travel north on FM 1458 through San Felipe. The site is located on the left just past Park Road 38.



Social Studies TEKS Connections

4.2(D), 4.3 (A), 4.9(A-B), 4.11(B), 4.15(B), 4.16(A-B), 4.19(B), 4.20(A-C), 4.22(A)
7.2(E), 7.3(A, C, D), 7.11(A-B), 7.20(A), 7.21(A)

Things to Consider

- Please notify us of cancellations or changes in group size as soon as possible.
- Allow plenty of time for travel to San Felipe de Austin. Sometimes extenuating circumstances will force a group to arrive later than scheduled. If you are running late please contact us, if possible.
- Please arrive 10-15 minutes early for restroom breaks.
- Check the weather. In case of a weather cancellation, we will reschedule your group.
- The tours and programs take place outside. Please wear appropriate clothing and shoes, and bring plenty of water to drink.
- Schools are responsible for students' lunches.
- Rubbings of any marker or monument are not allowed. Photographs are allowed.
- Students are expected not to climb, sit, stand on, or kick the monuments and markers.
- Please keep pencils, pens, and paints at a distance from the monument and markers.

School Programs

Texas Icons (Pre-K–Kindergarten, grade 3–5, grades 6–8)

Historical markers and designations are tools you can use to interpret, promote, and protect historic and cultural resources that are worthy of preservation. Students will connect with various monuments on site through various activities, allowing the students to comprehend symbolism, history, and heritage. Components of our Texas Icons program include:

- Texas State Quarter
- Texas State Symbols
- San Felipe de Austin Park Heritage
- The Texas State Flag and the San Felipe Flag of 1836

Archeology (Grades 3–5, grades 6–8)

Students will use critical thinking to analyze data, problem solve, and make decisions as they learn about the importance and relevancy of archeology. Components of our Archeology program include:

- Hands-free archeology
- Screening, sorting, and identification
- Artifact puzzle and reconstruction

Austin's Colony (Grades 3–5, grades 6–8)

Our Austin's Colony program provides an understanding of colonial development at San Felipe de Austin. Students will analyze the political, economic, and cultural characteristics of colonial life at San Felipe de Austin. Components of our Austin's Colony program include:

- Land Grant Office
- Historic Surveying
- Pioneer Printing
- Colonial Games

Outreach

Did you know many of our programs are adaptable to your classroom? Contact us at 979.885.2181 for more information on campus-based educational programs.

