

TEXAS HISTORY

1ST QUARTER

Students will study Texas geography (the physical make-up of Texas, areas, cities and populations). Then, we will examine the Native Texas tribes, their locations in Texas, their life styles and the contributions to the state. The Spanish period and Spanish explorers are covered in depth and their association with Texas is noted. Also, the appropriate French contacts are studied.

2ND QUARTER

This nine weeks begins with the study of the Spanish colonization and mission period. The roles of empresarios are covered as well. We will analyze the growing Anglo colonization (the Austins) and the increasing Anglo/ USA conflicts with Mexico. The students will identify the path of disagreements, which will lead to the Texas Revolution.

3^{TD} QUARTER

Students will study the Texas Revolution, its impact on Texas and the relationship of the United States to Texas and Mexico. The Republic of Texas will be examined and how the Republic dealt with things such as the competing policies of Sam Houston and Mirabeau Lamar and the “debt and the Indian problem”. The issues of statehood and annexation will be identified and we will look at the causes leading to the Texas-Mexican War. The effects of slavery and manifest destiny will be covered also.

4TH QUARTER

The final nine weeks the student will look at Texas role in the Civil War and how Reconstruction affected it, the exploration of the cattle kingdom and cowboy era, the oil boom and economic impact on Texas society, and the increasing industrial progress in the USA. Evaluation of the Texas government and the Progressive era will follow and we will end with Texas in the modern era.

*Subject to change based on scheduling.