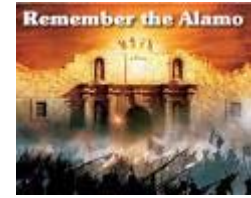


Texas Tour '10 Information:



1. The 7th Grade Texas Tour will be taking place on **May 2-5, 2010**.
2. The paperwork (**along with a copy of the students' report card**) for the Texas Tour is due on **Thursday, February 25, 2010**. Please refer to the following page titled, "Lottery system" for information on that night. We have to check the eligibility of each child. ***Please do not turn in any money until Monday March 1, 2010***. We have to check the eligibility of each child.
3. The total cost for the trip last year was **\$350**.

Important Dates to remember:

- **Thursday, February 25, 2010**: Parent Sign up and Collection of paperwork: All of the paperwork must be COMPLETED. NO MONEY will be taken on this date. This is based on a lottery system that will be explained at the parent meetings and on the **following page!!**

For the "Top 100" Who qualify

March 1-5, 2010 (payments will now be taken)- The top "100" who **qualify** for the trip will be posted on the doors of each Texas History class. Students will then pick up roommate request forms from your Texas History Teacher

- A. Coach Gumm will be collecting money from 8:30AM-12:30 PM in the front office or the ISS room on Monday-Friday.
- B. Mr. Lacy will also be collecting money on **Monday-Friday** between 5:30 PM and 6:30 PM only in Room D103.
- C. Please pay by either **cash** or **money order** only. Pay in order of Westbriar Middle School.

Friday, March 5, 2010 Deadline for Texas Tour payment!!!

Lottery System

The lottery system was designed to establish a fair and equitable way to help determine which students will go on the trip.

What is the lottery system?

- ✓ Parents and students will have the opportunity to draw a number in order to secure a seat on the trip. The top 100 numbers will have the first chance to go on the trip.

Who qualifies for the trip and lottery system?

- ✓ Students must first meet all the criteria for the trip which includes: Grade average of 75 and above in all classes. Good conduct (no ISS, no OSS, no excessive discipline record).
- ✓ Students with complete paperwork – Paperwork will be handed out at the parent meeting and available in class.
- ✓ Thursday, February 25, 2010 lottery numbers will be drawn in the Auditorium from 6:30 – 8pm.
- ✓ Parents/Students with complete paperwork will turn in paperwork and then draw a random number – paperwork will be confirmed prior to drawing a number...includes the Notary.
- ✓ The number will determine their place in line on the trip.
- ✓ No money will be accepted the night of the drawing.
- ✓ If the parent can not attend the drawing the student may turn in the paperwork and draw the number.

What happens next?

- ✓ The history team will confirm that the students with the lowest 100 numbers meet the criteria of the trip.
- ✓ Once the teachers confirm acceptance they will notify the students in class verbally.

What if my child is not in the top 100 numbers?

- ✓ We will create a waiting list and as spaces become available will be moving names forward on the list.

What happens after my child is in the top 100 numbers?

- ✓ Payments will be accepted from March 1-5. The payment of \$350 for the trip is *due by Friday March 5th*. Payment can be turned into Coach Gumm in the front office or the ISS room between 8:30am – 12:30PM. Payment will also be accepted by Mr. Lacy, (Room D103) between 5:30 and 6:30 PM.
- ✓ Payment must be in the form of cash or money order made out to West Briar Middle School. No checks.
- ✓ Students who do not turn in their payment by Friday March 5th will be dropped from the trip and the next student will be moved up the list.