

# Fort Davis

## National Historic Site

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Curriculum Materials Grades 6-8

Teacher Notes: Introduction

Dear Teacher:

Thank you for using these curriculum materials. Student activities are designed to acquaint students with Fort Davis information prior to their on-site visit. However, these lessons can be used to teach concepts such as western expansion and frontier settlement without visiting Fort Davis National Historic Site.

Each lesson contains two sections:

1. Teacher Notes—goals, assessment ideas, background information, and additional resources
2. Student Activities—background reading materials, as well as discussion questions and activities that further enhance the concepts

These lessons provide students a multi-disciplinary framework to encourage development of skills in a wide range of content areas necessary to succeed in state and national testing.

A matrix of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for grades 6-8 is included. As each lesson is used, you can easily locate the TEKS covered.

Included are many resources aimed at enhancing students' learning experience. Present information in the manner and time frame you find most appropriate for your class. Adapt and use the units according to your students' needs.

We always welcome your feedback about our curriculum materials.

Thank you.

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