

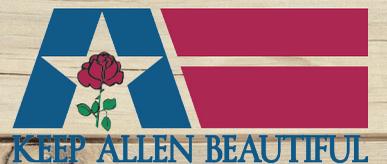
2016 Educator Expo

A Showcase of Free Educational Programs

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

PEOPLE, PLACES & THINGS

(grades 2-3)

Mayor Terrell presents "People, Places and Things," a 25-minute program highlighting City government and services. The program covers topics ranging from how Allen relates to the world economy to how the Allen City Council directs policy and services for its citizens. Students will visit the Council Chambers and have a class picture taken with the Mayor.

Limited tours are offered during the school year to provide learning opportunities with a variety of departments such as the Mayor's Office, Engineering, Police, Water Conservation and Parks & Recreation. All tour requests must be scheduled through the City Secretary's Office at least 30 days in advance.

CITY HALL TOUR

(Girl and Boy Scouts)

Tour City Hall and see, up close and personal, how City government works in Allen. A variety of discussions can be arranged with City experts including staff from Parks & Recreation, Community Development and Engineering.

MEET THE MAYOR

(all grades)

Invite Mayor Terrell to come visit your class. He is available for small and large groups. Programs are varied and can be tailored to your needs.



Watch ACTV for monthly programs, news, meetings and events coverage.

(Available on Time Warner Cable 16, AT&T Uverse 99, Frontier Communications 15, Grande Communications 15 and online at **AllenTV.org**.)

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PROGRAMS, PRESENTATIONS & FIELD TRIPS

EARTHFEST

Held the first Saturday in April, this come-and-go environmental educational day involves over 30 organizations with interactive displays and hands-on activities. You don't want to miss this terrific event where everyone has a great time in the outdoors while absorbing environmental concepts. Visit [Facebook.com/EarthFestAllen](https://www.facebook.com/EarthFestAllen) for more information.

RECYCLED ART CONTEST (grades K-12)

Keep Allen Beautiful (KAB) sponsors a recycled art contest every year in conjunction with Allen Recycles Day in November. The contest is only open to students enrolled in the Allen Independent School District. Each school's PTA Environmental Chairperson will receive information regarding the contest. KAB publicly recognizes and awards prizes to grade-level winners.

ARBOR DAY POSTER CONTEST (grades 4-5)

KAB sponsors the local Arbor Day Poster

Contest each year. The Allen winner is publicly recognized and a tree is planted at his/her school in recognition of the winning entry. A KAB Education Specialist is available to help your class plan and create posters.

TREE TRAIL GUIDES

KAB has four tree trail guides available for trails in Allen: Suncreek Greenbelt, Cottonwood Greenbelt, Watters Crossing Greenbelt, and the Shadow Lakes Greenbelt. An Education Specialist is available to enhance a group's experience of the trails.

ENVIRONMENTAL JEOPARDY

This game is based on the popular television show format with a focus on Allen. Students must compete in teams.

(grades 4-5)

Includes questions about Litter, Waste/Trash, Recycling, Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), Compost, and Water Conservation

(grades 8-12)

Students learn about common types of HHW and why some items we think are innocuous are considered HHW.

SCOUT WORKSHOPS

Our workshops are fun, informative, and help your scouts meet requirements. Each workshop is unique and planned according to age and abilities. Call today to set up your interactive, hands-on workshop. Ten scout minimum with at least two adults per group. Call 214.509.4552 to arrange a workshop. Service projects for scouts are available from KAB and the City of Allen upon request.

SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE SERIES

(adults)

The City of Allen Water Conservation Division presents the Sustainable Landscape Seminar Series each spring (January through May) to educate homeowners on sustainable landscape techniques and practices that reduce waste and conserve resources. Topics vary each year but focus on best management practices for north Texas. The Water Conservation Division occasionally holds programs in the fall related to rainwater harvesting and other topics. Many of the presentations are filmed by Allen City Television and may be viewed at AllenTV.org or [YouTube.com/AllenCityTV](https://www.youtube.com/AllenCityTV). For more information about the Sustainable Landscape Seminar Series visit CityOfAllen.org/WaterEducation.

READER'S THEATRE

(grades Pre-K-7)

Reader's Theatre is a dramatic presentation of a written work in script form. We offer two versions: modified and full. For Pre-K to 3rd grade, a select number of students wear costumes and act out a book for their peers while being read to by an education specialist. For 4th through 7th grade, a select number of students perform a work by reading from a script. The performance is facilitated by an education specialist. The focus is on expression, gesture, and an environmental lesson. Choose from:

- **The Wartville Wizard:** An old man fights litter by magically sticking each piece of trash to the person who dropped it. The program demonstrates what litter looks like and explains its harmful effects.
- **The Giving Tree:** Follow the lives of an apple tree and a boy who are able to communicate with each other. The program teaches about seasons and forest stewardship. Perfect for National Planting Day, Earth Day or Arbor Day!
- **All the Way to the Ocean:** An uplifting story about friends who learn that litter can harm waterways. This program illustrates what happens to hazardous household waste and litter once it enters storm drains.

LITTER BAG

(grades 3-5) (Waste in Place)

Students will examine items in a prepared "litter bag," rank the items from most desirable to least desirable according to their own criteria and

explore why littering occurs, why it can be dangerous and why littering is behavior that can be changed. Students will learn how to properly dispose of litter and what items can be recycled or composted.

3-Rs: REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

(grades K-6)

Explore how recycling conserves resources for the future. Investigate Allen's single stream recycling program and discover all of the household items that are recyclable and non-recyclable. Compare single stream recycling at home to school recycling. Optional: Recycling Relay sorting game is available.

PLASTICS BY THE NUMBERS

(grades 5-12) (Waste in Place)

Are you familiar with plastic container identification codes and why they are needed? Based upon information provided to the students, they will discuss the role of home, school and community in plastics recycling efforts. They will also identify and sort different types of plastics and calculate the percentages.

ENVIROSCAPE MODELS

(grades 4-12)

These interactive lessons use a model to show students how their daily habits impact the environment. Choose from one of four different models, including:

1. Modern landfill versus the town dump;
2. Stormwater protection;
3. Hazardous waste; and
4. Drinking and wastewater treatment.

Maximum group of 25 students in one lesson. Multiple lessons can be scheduled during one day.

EVERY DROP COUNTS

(grades K-12)

Delve into the concept of water conservation and its importance. Students will understand the importance of indoor and outdoor water conservation, strategies to reduce consumption, the local watershed, climate and drought. Students will learn that every drop counts!

H2O GUESSTIMATE!

(grades 4-12)

This lesson will engage students regarding just how much water is used in everyday items, with the hopes of developing a conscientious attitude about the true worth of water. Students will "guesstimate" how much water is used for making a piece of paper, a hamburger, blue jeans and more!

FACT OR FICTION: OCEANS, RIVERS AND LAKES

(grade 1)

In this lesson, students will identify and describe a variety of natural sources of water, including streams, lakes and oceans. A short lecture is provided with a video and a fun memory game to conclude. Students will also participate in an interconnected water model demonstration, as well as color and label their own river, lake and ocean template.

RELAY 4 WATER

(grades 1-6)

Students will illustrate how multiple users of water resources can affect water quality and quantity, as well as examine the complexities of providing water for all users. The lab consists of a hands-on activity where students are timed through rounds to simulate water



depletion. They will learn that water is a finite resource and think critically about water use and consumption.

FREDDY THE FISH

(grades K-5)

Students in this hands-on activity will understand how water becomes polluted from everyday activities. Most may not be aware of the various local sources which may impact our natural waterways. Freddy the Fish will be our guide on this journey of stormwater mayhem!

JEOPARDY H2O

(grades 3-12)

Jeopardy H2O is an interactive game based on the popular television show format, which includes questions about the water cycle, water conservation, stormwater, water quality and more. This game can be catered to a grade level and TEKS requirements. This is a great review in preparation for end-of-the-year testing or reinforcing any water unit you may cover.

THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY

(grades 3-8)

Students will become water molecules moving through the various stages of the water cycle. They will journey through stations including groundwater, rivers, lakes, glaciers and clouds. Along their journey, they will design a memory bracelet with beads to recount their Incredible Journey.

PUMP STATION FIELD TRIP

(grades 3-12)

Start your water adventure with a presentation about North Texas Municipal Water District's water treatment plant in Wylie and the City of Allen's water

distribution system. After the presentation, classes will split into smaller groups to tour the pump station. Field trips are offered on a limited basis.

BIOTIC VS. ABIOTIC

(grades 5-6)

Is water a biotic or abiotic factor? How about algae? This lesson provides a fundamental understanding of the difference. Students will enjoy a presentation and trivia game, followed by an interactive worksheet reinforcing the lesson. Students will also have the opportunity to draw their own ecosystem and include their own biotic and abiotic factors.

HOW CLEAN IS YOUR WATER?

(grades 5-12)

Summertime fish kills, high pH and suspended solids...something may be wrong with the water quality! This lab will engage students as they begin to understand the interdependency of water quality and surrounding life. Students will sample a local stream and test for pH, dissolved oxygen, temperature and turbidity.

THE ROCK CYCLE

(grades 5-6)

Students will explore the processes that led to the formation of sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks as well as fossil fuels! Each group of students will explore the rock cycle as they are given their own materials to simulate the different processes required to form sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks. **Heated water and safety glasses are needed for this lab.*

STREAM BANK EROSION TRAILER

(grades 5-12)

Weather, erosion and deposition? Texas A&M AgriLife Extension has created a stream trailer to demonstrate just that. This trailer is a dynamic educational tool that demonstrates erosion patterns, natural vs. man-made erosion control measures, siltation and water quality. This is a hands-on demonstration!

WATER AHEAD!

(grades 7-8)

In this lesson, students will model the effects of human activity on surface and groundwater in their own watershed. A lecture and hands-on lesson will be provided. Students will be grouped to create and model their own watershed! Pollutants will be added to mimic surface water runoff.

TEXAS STREAMS & AQUIFERS

(grades 9-12)

This engaging lesson reviews the 18,000 square-mile Trinity River Basin, Lake Lavon's watershed, and the most historic cases in groundwater to date in Texas. Students will learn the interdependency of surface and ground waters, riparian law, rule of capture and prior appropriation.

MURKY WATERS: STORMWATER POLLUTION 101

(grades 11-12)

This lesson teaches the true meaning of polluted water. Students will engage in their own research about the East Fork Trinity River while learning about various sources of point source and non-point source pollution. Bacterial, toxic, nutrient, sediment pollution and more are covered in this lesson!





LESSON PLAN RESOURCES & SUPPLIES AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT

LESSON PLANS & RESOURCES FOR TEACHING ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES (grades K-8)

This guide covers it all: air, water and land. Environmental topics include pollution prevention, recycling, composting, landfills, water conservation and waste management. Each lesson provides background information, activity ideas and TEKS standards. Created by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

POP BOTTLE SCIENCE KIT (grades 2-6)

Explore 79 fun and fantastic experiments and science projects that probe the worlds of chemistry, physics, biology, geology, weather and astronomy. Make a working water cycle in your classroom or try one of the other great activities. Kit comes with a 2-liter soda bottle and activity book.

WATER EDUCATION FIELD GUIDE (grades 4-8)

A short guide prepared by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for a hands-on field study of Texas rivers and streams. Basic water quality education is followed by an assortment of activities and data collection sheets.

BIODEGRADABLE SEEDING POTS Introduce children to gardening by recycling newspaper into seeding pots they create themselves. A seed is planted in

the paper pot and buried in the garden. Four sets available.

INSECTS & SPIDERS CARD GAME

(ages 7 & up)

This game is for 2-8 players. It has 30 large illustrated game cards that combine trivia, true or false, and multiple choice questions. The cards feature easy and hard levels to keep students interested and challenged. Instruction sheet included.

JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER CURRICULUM

1. Literature in the Garden (grades 1-5)
2. Wildlife Gardener (grades 1-5)
3. Operation Thistle: Seeds of Despair (grades 6-8)
4. Operation Water: Dr. Thistle Goes Underground (grades 6-8)

The level 1 and 2 curricula for the Junior Master Gardener program combines the teacher/leader guide with reproducible pages for students. Through dozens of exciting activities, students can investigate plant growth and development, take part in service learning projects, and earn certification — all while on an urgent mission to defeat Dr. Thistle!

TRASHED

(60 minutes DVD) (grade 7 to adult)

The story of garbage...American style. The film examines a fundamental element of modern American culture: the disposal of what our society defines as "waste." What are the effects of

½ billion tons of waste annually on our strained natural resources? Why is so much of it produced and who wants America to make more? This is a thought-provoking film for anyone interested in the future of sustainability.

THE LIVING PLANET: A PORTRAIT OF THE EARTH (DVD) (grades 6-12)

Explore the earth from land to sea, desert to tundra, and even the air above us! Originally filmed as a BBC series, there are 4 DVDs and 12 hours of footage. Great for time at the end of the school year!

SECCHI DISK

A Secchi Disk measures the transparency of surface water. This black and white acrylic disk is slowly lowered into water until it can no longer be seen. An attached line measures the depth of visibility. Excellent addition to studies of water quality in the field!

HAND-HELD MICROSCOPES (SET OF 5)

HAND MAGNIFIERS (SET OF 12)

COMPASSES (SET OF 4)

STOPWATCHES (SET OF 4)





CLASSROOM BOOKS

Environmentally-themed books can be used to develop reading comprehension, out-loud reading skills, and satisfy TEKS reading and English language requirements, at the same time developing environmental awareness.

- All the Way to the Ocean
- Brother Eagle, Sister Sky
- Garbage Collectors
- The Gardener
- Great Trash Bash
- Just a Dream
- Ms. Rumphius
- Plantzilla
- Tops and Bottoms
- The Wartville Wizard
- Weslandia

EDUCATOR IN-SERVICE WORKSHOPS

Call us for more information about how your school or organization can host a workshop on these award-winning environmental education programs. Fees may apply.

PROJECT WILD (grades K-12)

PROJECT WET (grades K-12)

WASTE IN PLACE (grades K-6)

Through each of these six-hour workshops, you will learn interdisciplinary environmental lessons that teach important concepts related to each project's theme. Each project comes with an activity guide containing hands-on activities in lesson plan format, cross-

referenced by topic. Lessons are correlated to national science standards and participants receive SBEC and TEEAC credit hours.

COMMUNITY WASTE DISPOSAL

Contact Robert Medigovich (972.392.9300, ext. 226) or the City of Allen Recycling/Trash Educator (214.509.4552)

VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP TO MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY (MRF)

(grades K-3)

Younger children take a virtual tour of CWD's Materials Recovery Facility (MRF). Explanation of photos taken at CWD, hands-on examination of recyclables and "buy recycled" items make this lesson memorable.

FIELD TRIP TO MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY

(grades K-12)

Please note ages of field trip tours at CWD; this is an industrial facility and not appropriate for younger students. To schedule a tour, visit CommunityWasteDisposal.com and select "Tour our MRF" from the menu. Tours are best scheduled during cooler months as this is a facility open to the outdoors. Thirty days' notice is required for field trips.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Contact: 214.509.4160

CityofAllen.org/Community-Development

CODE COMPLIANCE

Code Compliance is responsible for addressing nuisance and property maintenance violations to ensure a safe and healthy environment for the community. These violations include high weeds and grass, trash and debris, fences and illegal dumping. The main goals of this program are to resolve violations, reduce neighborhood deterioration and help maintain property values. Through code compliance efforts, the City of Allen works to gain willing compliance and to encourage citizen participation and cooperation in maintaining their property. To report code violations, visit CityofAllen.org/Report-Code-Violation.

OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program provides financial assistance for home repairs to low and moderate income families. Homes must be located in one of five target neighborhoods: Hillside Villages, Oak Hill, Collin Square, Timberbend or Windridge Estates.

Contact the Community Development Department at 214.509.4160 for more information.



Service Projects and Volunteer Opportunities



Keep Allen Beautiful (KAB) offers many volunteer opportunities to encourage environmental stewardship. For more information, visit KeepAllenBeautiful.com.

Youth service projects are available from KAB and the City upon request. Guidelines for Advanced Scout Projects are available online at CityOfAllen.org/Scout-Projects.

Contact Josué Diaz at 214.509.4555.



ALLEN HERITAGE GUILD

Contact: 972.727.2772
AllenHeritage.org

The Allen Heritage Guild is dedicated to preserving and promoting Allen's heritage. The Guild and the City of Allen have worked to depict Allen's history as a farming community at the Allen Heritage Village. Two of the houses, the I House and the Lynge House, were restored this past year. The Allen Christian Church, St. Mary Baptist Church and the Bolin House are also renovated and ready for visitors. Contact the Guild to schedule tours.

The Guild also hosts a Civil War Encampment in the fall. Visit AllenHeritage.org for information.

ALLEN HERITAGE VILLAGE

The Allen Heritage Village features structures that represent a range of architectural styles: frontier, prairie style, Queen Anne and Craftsman Bungalow. The Allen Christian Church contains the original stained glass windows that are adorned with the names of Allen pioneer families. Book your wedding, family or civic event at this wonderful example of a prairie style church.

FIELD TRIPS

Students can learn about the history of Allen beginning at the Old Stone Dam, moving on to the Train Depot and ending at the Heritage Village where students will rotate through six different learning stations: clothing, cotton, supply and demand, geo caching and maps, artifact trash, and a village tour. Field trips are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. There is no cost for an educational tour of Allen's history.

Traveling trunks of Allen's history are available for third graders. Guild volunteers can come to your campus for the day and lead the hands-on activities that are in the trunks. History of Allen programs for second graders can also be scheduled at your campus. Contact Anne Gifford at 972.727.8985 to schedule.

ALLEN HERITAGE CENTER/ TRAIN DEPOT

The Allen Heritage Guild sponsors exhibits at the Allen Heritage Center (100 E. Main Street). A photographic history of Allen is on permanent display. Special exhibits are featured periodically throughout the year.

Exhibit hours are second and fourth Saturdays: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Exhibits are free and no reservations are required. To schedule group tours, please contact the Guild.

Sam Bass Day is scheduled the last Saturday of February every year at the Depot to celebrate the train heritage of Allen. Model trains are on display in March. Flag Day is celebrated each June. Check the Guild web site for information on exhibits and special events.

VIDEOS

The following videos have been produced by Allen City Television (ACTV) to depict historical Allen. For historical and resource information, contact Tom Keener at 214.509.4911.

ALLEN CEMETERY

(grades 3 & up)

The Allen Cemetery is the final resting place for Allen's pioneers such as Wash and Parmelia Ford and RB Whisenant. Beginning with the cemetery's organization by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the video continues with an interpretation of symbols on the tombstones. Then listen carefully to the rest of this 8-minute video to explore a narrative history of the historic Allen Cemetery.

ST. MARY BAPTIST CHURCH

(grades 3 & up)

This 7-minute video showcases the only surviving one room school in Allen, St. Mary Baptist Church. Enjoy a delightful narrative of a building that once served Allen's African American population as a school and church. This video discuss-

es the church's historic role and how it stands as a monument to Allen's African American history.

INTERURBAN

(grades 3 & up)

Experience a narrative and photographic history of the electric railway that connected Allen to Dallas, McKinney and Sherman. In an era with few cars, Interurban allowed Allenites to work and shop other communities. This 8-minute video shows original photos of Interurban cars and workers, yielding a wonderful glimpse of an important bygone era.

STONE DAM

(grades 3 & up)

Discover the history of the only stone dam in Texas still standing that was used for railroad purposes. This 8-minute video contains rare archival photographs with a narrative history of the dam, its importance to Allen and the Guild's efforts to preserve it for future generations.

ALLEN TELEPHONE COMPANY

(grades 3 & up)

Did you know Allen had an independently operated mom-and-pop phone company between 1913 and 1956? This 8-minute video discusses its importance to the Allen community and the communication challenges and advantages that citizens faced during the switchboard era.





FIRE DEPARTMENT

Contact: 214.509.4413
AllenFire.org

At least two weeks' notice is required for scheduling programs and presentations.

STATION TOURS

See how the firefighters live! Observe where the firefighters eat, sleep and exercise at the fire station. Take a walk through the station and into the “bay” where the trucks, engines and ambulances are housed.

ALLEN'S LEED-CERTIFIED FIRE STATION 5

A working example of how homes and workplaces can fit into the environment with as little impact as possible. Designed for grades 1-2 showcasing the environmental principals used to build this station.

SCHOOL VISITS

BUNKER GEAR/APPARATUS DISPLAY PRESENTATIONS

Firefighters will show what they look like before and after they are called to a fire to prepare children if they ever have to come to a home. Children will have the opportunity to get an up-close look at a fire engine.

CHILD-SIZE BUNKER GEAR

Authentic firefighter bunker gear in sizes small, medium, large and extra-large for teachers to borrow for their students. Each gear bag includes boots, helmet, suspenders, gloves, jacket and pants.

RISK WATCH (grades PreK-8)

Risk Watch is an injury prevention pro-

gram designed to teach skills and knowledge so children make positive choices about their personal safety and well-being. Risk Watch meets TEKS health objectives through lessons on vehicle and bike safety, poison prevention, firearm injury prevention and more.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING (6TH GRADE TEKS)

This digital simulator lets kids experience fire extinguisher operation without leaving the classroom. This safe, smoke-free training meets 6th grade science TEKS requirements.

SUGGESTED PROGRAMS

HEAD START/PRE-K/ KINDERGARTEN

Apparatus display and child-sized bunker gear

1ST GRADE

Apparatus display, child-sized bunker gear or tour of fire station

2ND GRADE

A tour of a fire station

3RD GRADE

911 Dispatch contact information (contact publiceducation@cityoffallen.org)

4TH GRADE

“Where There’s Smoke There’s Science” (DVD)

5TH/6TH GRADE

New video with firefighter visit or Safety Trailer demonstration

MATERIALS AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT

WIGGLES AND GIGGLES LEARN POOL SAFETY (Ages 2-4)

A water safety program for young children and their families (*English and Spanish*). Helps keep children safe around water and reduces the number of accidental drowning and injuries from nonfatal drowning. *Suggestion: end of May/ Summer Day Camp.*

SAFETY RANGERS SPOT DANGER! STAY AWAY FROM FIRE (Preschoolers)

Children learn about fire and burn prevention tips, smoke alarms and home fire escape plans “Code Red Rover Grown Up Come Over” DVD (11 mins).

I SPOT SOMETHING HOT (Ages 4-6)

Start Safe: A Fire and Burn Safety Program for preschoolers and their families on how to identify and stay away from things that are hot.

SAFETY RANGER SPOT DANGER (grades K-3)

A book and board game to develop an awareness of hazard areas, falling, poisoning, fire/burns, choking and drowning.



SAY “NO” TO DANGER

(grades K–3)

Designed to raise children’s awareness about potential home safety hazards, to educate on steps to prevent injuries in the home, and to empower children to make safe decisions and to seek the help of a grownup when they encounter a hazardous situation.

GET READY FOR FREDDY

(grades 3-4)

A preparedness program designed to help children and their families learn how to plan for an emergency situation.

VIDEOS

(available on AISD’s Montage)

Pre-K-Kindergarten

- Sparky’s ABC’s of Fire Safety - 10 min.
- Play Safe, Be Safe - 20 min. (segments)

First Grade

- The Great 9-1-1 Adventure with Ready E. Fox - 20 min., 1-2 packets available per classroom (20 each per packet)

Second Grade

- Where There’s Smoke There’s Science - 13 min.

Third Grade

- Be Cool About Fire Safety - 15 min.
- Where There’s Smoke There’s Science - 13 min.

Fourth Grade

- Let’s Rap Fire Safety - 22 min.
- Where There’s Smoke, There’s Science - 13 min.

Fifth Grade

- Fire’s Fury - 14 min. (NEW)
- Preventing Home Fires - 12 min. (NEW)
- Fire Power - 17 min.
- Fire Countdown to Disaster - 20 min. (close captioned)

Sixth Grade

- Fire’s Fury - 14 min. (NEW)
- Preventing Home Fires - 12 min. (NEW)

- Fire Power - 17 min.
- Fire Countdown to Disaster - 20 min. (close captioned)

High School

- Real Teens, Real Stories - 12 min.

Adult Groups

- Hazards in Your Home
- That Safety Show & Think Safe Board Game (Each school has a copy, please check with your school.)

ADULT & YOUTH VOLUNTEER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

CITIZENS FIRE ACADEMY

The City of Allen Citizens Fire Academy is a free program designed for adults living or working in Allen who wish to learn more about the organization and operation of the Allen Fire Department. Topics include hiring, training, educational requirements, emergency operations and much more. Attendees also participate in demonstrations and emergency operations with on-duty firefighters. The Academy is offered each spring and requires an application process. Participants will meet from 7 to 9:30 p.m. one evening each week for ten weeks.

SAFETY TRAILER

This state-of-the-art mobile classroom is equipped with lifelike simulations to help educate people of all ages on what to do when a fire strikes in the kitchen or a bedroom. The Safety Trailer’s simulation capabilities provide the ability to train adults and older children to extinguish simulated kitchen fires, teach children what they should do in case of fire in their homes, how to crawl under smoke or feel a warm door.

The Safety Trailer utilizes sound, smoke, fire effects, and an automatic

smoke detector to help create an authentic emergency situation. The kitchen fire scenario is designed to resemble a real home kitchen, using heat, smoke, sound effects and digital flames to create an intense, yet safe, fire experience. A laser-driven fire extinguisher gives the ability to demonstrate the proper “sweeping” technique to be used in case of fire. The bedroom scenario helps kids and parents learn to feel a door for heat and block smoke with a pillow or towel, crawl under smoke that enters the room and then evacuate to the predetermined meeting spot using the window.

JUVENILE FIRESETTER INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Allen Fire-Rescue Fire Marshal’s Office has intervention programs for children and adolescent firesetters. These specialized educational programs are intended to educate and instruct parents and their children about the dangers and consequences of fire.

Researchers have identified categories of juvenile firesetting behavior. Our goal is to address and meet the needs of children in each category: Curiosity Firesetters (ages 3-7), Crisis Firesetters (ages 6-12), and Delinquent Firesetters (ages 10-17). The majority of child-set fire incidents are the result of a child’s curiosity, ready access to matches and lighters, lapses in supervision and a lack of understanding about fire.

Contact Assistant Chief David Cannaday, Fire Marshal, 214.509.4400 (office hours 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., M-F).

PARKS AND RECREATION

Contact: 214.509.4700
AllenParks.org

ACTIVITY GUIDE

CityOfAllen.org/STUFF-guide

TRAIL GUIDE

CityOfAllen.org/trail-guide

ARBOR DAY

Join us in the fall to celebrate trees with the City of Allen's annual Arbor Day Celebration. The event kicks off the local tree planting season (October through April) with lots of fun activities that celebrate Allen's deep love of trees.

The City of Allen will give away free tree saplings while supplies last. The celebration will include a live DJ, tree climbing demonstrations by the Forestry staff, a children's craft table, a guest appearance by "Oakly the Talking Tree," children's face painting, a ceremonial tree planting and more.



ALLIANCE FOR A HEALTHIER ALLEN

The Alliance for a Healthier Allen (AHA) is a collaborative team effort consisting of Texas Health Resources Presbyterian Allen Hospital, Allen ISD, the City of Allen, Allen Community Outreach, and other Allen residents and businesses working together to create a healthier community. AHA envisions Allen as the cornerstone community committed to healthy lifestyles. The group focuses on initiatives centered on four aspects of wellness: physical & nutritional, environmental, mental and financial.



MOTIVATE TO MOVE

AHA created the Motivate to Move program, a six-week campaign designed to encourage school-aged children to be more active and make healthier eating choices. Children take part in physical, nutritional and environmental activities listed on an activity card; after completion of the activity card, participants will receive a prize. All participants who complete the card are entered into a drawing for a chance to win a grand prize at their school: i.e., Razor Scooter, bicycle, etc. This campaign promotes community involvement and incorporates healthy lifestyles.

**ALL THE PIECES
FOR A HEALTHIER BODY**



TOOL TRAILER

The Allen Parks Foundation Tool Trailer program provides tools and supplies to groups (i.e., church, scouting, or neighborhood groups) in Allen for maintaining or enhancing Allen parks or neighborhood public spaces. Projects may include neighborhood clean-ups, park or open space maintenance or beautification, landscape plantings, etc.

The Tool Trailer is available free of charge for volunteer groups (non-commercial use) that would like to partner with the Allen Parks Foundation in enhancing our community. Use of the Tool Trailer and its equipment requires adult supervision and includes transportation of the trailer to and from your project site by Allen Parks & Recreation Department staff. You bring the volunteers and we'll bring the tools! Let's all work together to make Allen the best it can be!

A complete list of Tool Trailer equipment is available through the Allen Parks and Recreation Department. For more information regarding the use of the Tool Trailer or to reserve the Tool Trailer for your neighborhood group project, please contact the Allen Parks and Recreation Department at 214.509.4700.

The Allen Parks Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to enhance the quality of parks and recreational facilities in Allen.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Contact: 214.509.4359
AllenPolice.org

COMMUNITY RELATIONS UNIT

The Community Relations Unit (CRU) offers numerous programs to the public at no cost. The programs include, but are not limited to: stranger danger, neighborhood watch, identity theft, burglary prevention and rape aggression defense. The CRU is responsible for organizing and promoting National Night Out. It also offers tours of the Police Station to organizations by appointment. Visit the Allen Police Department online at AllenPolice.org or call 214.509.4359 to inquire about the Community Relations Unit or to schedule a program.

RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE (R.A.D.) TRAINING FOR WOMEN

The Allen Police Department provides instruction on the R.A.D. Defense System for women. Six Allen officers are certified to instruct R.A.D. The class consists of four evenings lasting three hours each. The class meets from 6 - 9 p.m. at Allen Recreation Hall, 105 S. Anna Drive. The class is designed for women only. The minimum age to participate is 17. The R.A.D. System basic physical defense instructional objective is “to develop and enhance the options of self-defense, so they become viable considerations to the woman who is attacked. Many studies have shown that it is only by resisting, that women have a chance to avoid being raped.”

This class is limited to 25 participants; those wishing to enroll may contact Sgt. Jon Felty at 214.509.4359 or jfelty@cityoffallen.org. There is a \$25 per student fee that covers a workbook and other class materials.

911 PUBLIC EDUCATION

The Allen Police Department’s Public Education Coordinator offers a free, informative and interactive 911 Public Education class to all Allen schools from preschool age through high school. Kindergarten through grade 2 will be introduced to Cell Phone Sally. With Cell Phone Sally’s help, children will learn what 911 is and how to use it. A short Cell Phone Sally and Friends video is available and may also be shown. Grades 3 through 12 are reminded of how to use 911 correctly. Children and teens are taught about 911 capabilities and new 911 technology. Adults and senior citizens are re-taught how and when to call 911. They are taught 911 etiquette and reassured that it is OK to call 911. Special needs citizens are taught how to use 911 and what services are in place to best serve their needs.

Classes are also offered to churches, home owner associations, large corporations, etc. For questions or appointments, contact Public Education at publiceducation@cityoffallen.org.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The School Resource Officer Unit provides a multitude of law-related education classes for all grade levels. Courses include Crime Scene Investigation, Fingerprinting, Bicycle Safety, Drug and Alcohol Awareness and Crime Stoppers. The SRO Unit will also work with teachers to develop courses that integrate their curriculum into law related education. Please contact your school’s SRO or Sgt. Cleveland at 214.250.4213 or tcleveland@cityoffallen.org.



ANIMAL SHELTER

The Allen Animal Shelter, located at 770 S. Allen Heights, is open to the public Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Shelter is closed on Sunday. The shelter offers tours or presentations for schools, civic groups, day care centers or anyone requesting further information. Visit the shelter website at CityofAllen.org/AllenAnimalShelter or call 214.509.4378 for more information.





ALLEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

ONGOING PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Contact: 972.509.4900
(24-hour recording)
AllenLibrary.org

STORYTIMES FOR BABIES, PRESCHOOLERS & THEIR FAMILIES

The Library presents storytimes for children ages 0-6 years old during seasonal sessions throughout the year. Some storytimes are designed for adults and children together, and others for children ready to attend independently. Staff use a variety of elements, including books, storytelling, puppetry, flannel stories, finger plays, rhymes and musical activities. Check the Library's website or printed calendar for storytime dates, times and themes.

OTHER YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS

The Library offers programs throughout the year for children, tweens, teens and families, including craft and music programs, book clubs for children and tweens, and special celebrations and events. Check online or print calendars available at the Library for details.

SUMMER READING CLUB

Every summer in June and July, the Library offers the Summer Reading Club to encourage residents of Allen to read for pleasure, maintain reading skills and promote library usage when most children are not in school.

Children, tweens, teens and adults receive a reading log to keep track of their leisure reading. When the log is completed, the participant earns prizes. The Library also

offers storytimes, puppet shows, special performances, movies and a variety of age-specific programs for children, teens and adults.

WINTER READING CLUB

Every winter, the Library offers the Winter Reading Club during school breaks to encourage a lifelong love of reading in our community. Children, tweens, teens and adults receive a reading log to participate. When the log is completed, the participant earns a prize.

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

The Library offers this year-round reading initiative to encourage caregivers and children to read books together. Any child from birth to entering Kindergarten can register at the Children's Desk or online for this self-paced program.

E-BOOKS

The Library has e-books compatible with Kindles, iPads, iPhones and other mobile devices, including children's and teen titles. There are also "Always Available" e-books that include many classic works of literature that are required reading for high school students or recommended for other students.

TUMBLEBOOK LIBRARY

TumbleBooks feature narrated and animated editions of books for children. The online library provides reading enjoyment and practice, as well as learn-

ing games, puzzles and other activities for readers. No login or password is required; visit the Library Children's webpage and click on the TumbleBooks Library link. For more information, please contact the Children's Desk at 214.509.4906.

LAUNCHPAD TABLETS

The Library now has pre-loaded tablets with skill-building games and stories for children. One tablet can be checked out per library card and the loan period is one week.

MOVIE SERIES

Every Tuesday night at 7 p.m., the Library shows films in the Civic Auditorium. Each month of movies highlights a genre, actor or theme such as comedy, adventure, creature features, pirates or Westerns. Check the online calendar for information on current and upcoming film series.

BACH TO BOOKS

The Bach to Books cultural arts series, sponsored by the Friends of the Allen Public Library and the City of Allen, strives to nurture local talent and build bridges among all cultures by bringing outstanding programs to the library each month. The programs present noted authors, illustrators, scholars and performing artists of all types. Bluegrass, blues, country, folk and swing music are regularly



featured in addition to annual events such as Celtic Night and the Jazz Festival. As with all Library events, these programs are free.

For more information about specific programs, visit AllenLibrary.org, AllenFriends.org, or contact Tom Keener at 214.509.4911 or tkeener@cityoffallen.org.

ADULT PROGRAMS AND BOOK CLUBS

Learn a craft, travel to a faraway land or just come to learn something new. The Library also offers three different types of book clubs that cater to all interests. Find the group that's right for you!



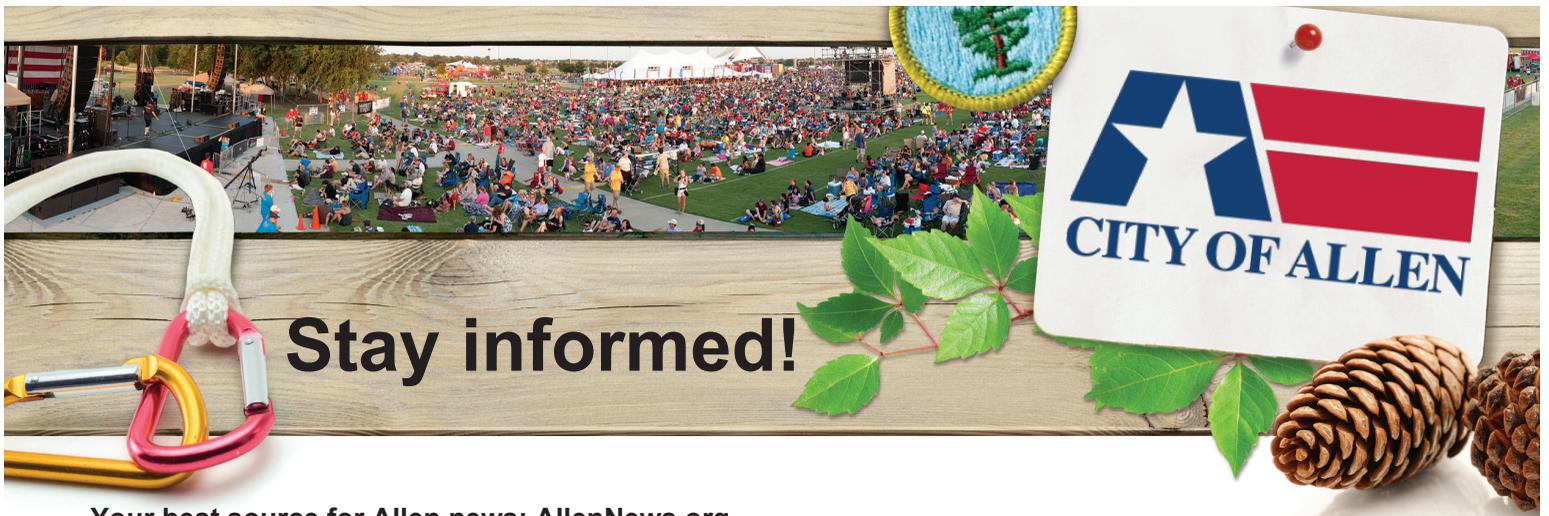
LIBRARY TOURS

Scout troops and other community groups are invited to complete an online tour request form on AllenLibrary.org to schedule a library tour for children ages 5-11. Staff will demonstrate to children, their parents, and adult leaders how to obtain a library card and how to use the self-check machines, the online catalog, and the Internet-access computers. Staff can also point out the various fiction and nonfiction collections, audio books and read-along sets, music CDs, and children's DVDs, as well as special features like the aquarium and children's mural.



Allen Reads

The Friends of the Allen Public Library coordinate the "One Community One Book" project in partnership with the Library, local schools, as well as City and community organizations. The primary selection for 2016-17 will be *Brown Girl Dreaming* (Newbery Honor Book) by Jacqueline Woodson. For updates and more information, please visit the Friends of the Allen Public Library website at AllenFriends.org.



Stay informed!

Your best source for Allen news: AllenNews.org

From city council decisions to local events to crime alerts and more, you can stay up-to-date and in-the-know by visiting AllenNews.org. Our City news center provides an easy way for residents to find information about their community.

Watch us

Allen City Television is an Emmy award-winning government access channel available through Time Warner Cable Channel 16, Frontier Channel 15, Grande Cable Channel 15 and AT&T U-verse Channel 99. Programs produced by ACTV are also available online through AllenTV.org, YouTube.com/AllenCityTV and Facebook.com/AllenCityTV.

Get email newsletters

Learn about the latest city news and events by setting up email alerts through CityOfAllen.org/NotifyMe. You can customize your alert settings to receive information on traffic and road construction, public safety, water conservation, community events and more.

Sign up for crime and safety alerts

Allen Police Department uses Tip 411, a location-based email alert system, to notify residents of crime and public safety information. Sign up online at CityofAllen.org/CitizenObserver.

Receive our city newsletters

Many city departments distribute newsletters via email to keep you up-to-date on events, programs, and services. Sign up at CityofAllen.org/ENews

Connect with us on social media

Allen uses various social media accounts to connect with citizens. Here are the ways you can like and follow:

Source	Facebook	Twitter
Allen City Hall	Facebook.com/CityofAllen	@CityofAllenTX
Allen Police	Facebook.com/AllenPolice	@Allen_Police
Allen Parks & Recreation	Facebook.com/AllenParksandRec	
Allen Public Library	Facebook.com/AllenPublicLibrary	
AllenEvent Center	Facebook.com/AllenEventCenter	@AllenEventCntr
Keep Allen Beautiful	Facebook.com/EarthFestAllen	@K_A_B
Allen Animal Shelter	Facebook.com/CityofAllenAnimalShelter	
The Courses at Watters Creek	Facebook.com/WattersCreekGolf	
Allen Community Ice Rink	Facebook.com/AllenCommunityIce	
The Edge Skate Park & Visitor Center	Facebook.com/SkateTheEdge	
Allen Convention & Visitors Bureau	Facebook.com/visitAllenTexas	@visitAllenTexas
Market Street Allen USA (seasonal)	Facebook.com/AllenUSACelebration	@Allen_USA

The City of Allen also provides geographically-targeted information to neighborhoods via postings on Nextdoor.com.

COLLIN COUNTY TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

825 North McDonald, Suite 150, McKinney, Texas 75069 972.548.4233 or metro 972.424.1460, ext. 4233 Collin.Agrilife.org

Texas AgriLife Extension Service is a member of the Texas A&M University System and operates in a unique partnership with federal, state and county government to address the needs of every community. Our mission is to provide quality, relevant outreach and continuing education programs and services to the people of Texas. Extension provides education in food and fiber systems, environment, agriculture, natural resources, family and consumer sciences and 4-H and youth development.

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES: CARRIE T. BRAZEAL, CFCS

Family and Consumer Sciences includes everything related to family.

WALK ACROSS TEXAS

Would you like to increase physical activity for either yourself or your students? If so, contact Carrie Brazeal about Walk Across Texas. Teams of eight adults pool their miles each week for eight weeks to see if they can walk the 800 miles across Texas. There is a youth component (grades K-10) complete with TEKS lesson plans written by teachers for your class. Incorporate math, reading, social studies, language arts, science and writing into this activity. It is easy (everything is online), fun and free!

BALANCING FOOD AND PLAY

Third grade teachers, ask about our Balancing Food and Play. You can easily be trained to present the 20 lessons that encourage students to increase their fruits, vegetable and dairy intake; reinforce physical activity and limit screen time to less than two hours a day. This curricula also meets TEKS objectives.

FRED (FATHERS READING EVERY DAY) PROGRAM

Fathers and other male family members or friends commit to read to or with

their child each day for four weeks, logging minutes and number of books read as they go. It is a fun and easy way to spend more time with your child while increasing their reading literacy.

EDUCATIONAL CLASSES

Educational classes are available on managing diabetes, increasing financial literacy and preventing foodborne illness. Want to become a better parent? Everyone knows that parenting is hard work. A custom-designed series for parents of all ages can be created. Classes can be scheduled at lunch or other convenient times.

For additional information on these and other classes, contact Carrie Brazeal at 972.548.4233 (metro 972.424.1460, Ext.4233) or c-brazeal@tam.u.edu.

4-H AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT: AMANDA PARKS

The Extension provides 4-H and curriculum enrichment opportunities learn leadership, citizenship and life skills. 4-H is about having fun, learning, exploring and discovering by pursuing their own interests — from photography to computers, from building rockets to raising animals. 4-H clubs may be in communities, in schools, or in after-school programs. Other curriculum enrichment opportunities include many science based programs, including “Hatching in the Classroom” and “Junior Master Gardeners.” For more information, contact Amanda Parks at aparksr@agnet.tamu.edu or 972.548.4232.

HORTICULTURE: DR. GREG CHURCH, PH.D.

The Extension provides education and outreach programs that address important horticultural issues, such as proper plant selection, reduction in the use of water, pesticide, and fertilizer, diagnosis and management of plant disease, disorders,

and pests. The Horticulture program develops educational programs that cover a wide variety of issues affecting local residents.

EARTH KIND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM earthkind.tamu.edu

The Earth Kind Environmental Stewardship program for the urban landscape uses research proven techniques to provide maximum gardening and landscape enjoyment while preserving and protecting our environment. The objective of Earth Kind is to combine the best of organic and traditional gardening and landscaping principles to create a horticultural system based on real world effectiveness.

COLLIN COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS ASSOCIATION ccmgatx.org

The Collin County Master Gardeners Association is an educational volunteer program of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Master Gardeners are members of the local community who not only take an active interest in their own lawns, trees and gardens but also strive to promote sound horticulture, soil improvement, water conservation and many other subjects of importance to Collin County gardeners. They contribute time as volunteers through a wide variety of projects, such as: Information Booth, Help Desk, Speakers Bureau, JMG, Youth and Adult Education, Research and Demonstration Gardens and many more. If you would like to become a Master Gardener, please visit ccmgatx.org.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

BLACKLAND PRAIRIE CHAPTER OF TEXAS MASTER NATURALISTS

www.bptmn.org

What can the Blackland Prairie Chapter of Texas Master Naturalist offer you?

- Enthusiastic people to assist you on a wide variety of subjects—birding, water conservation, general ecology, natural history, insects, mammals, native plants, invasive species and more!
- Classroom presentations to enhance school curriculum.
- Trail guides for outings to local natural areas.
- Guidance for Scout projects or badges working with natural resources.
- Programs and presentations such as wildscaping, backyard bird feeding and sustainable land management practices.

The Texas Master Naturalist volunteer program is sponsored by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and supported by a variety of local organizations. Contact outreach@bptmn.org.

BLACKLAND PRAIRIE RAPTOR CENTER

www.bpraptorcenter.org

Blackland Prairie Raptor Center is dedicated to environmental preservation through public education and the conservation of birds of prey and wildlife in their natural habitat. Programs



feature live, non-releasable birds of prey including hawks, owls and falcons native to North Texas and address how raptors benefit us, how to coexist with nature, and how to recognize raptors in your neighborhood. Please note there is a fee for our presentations. These fees pay for the food and care of our raptors. Please contact us to receive more information.

BPRC hosts First Saturday Community programs on-site on the edge of Lavon Lake which include:

- Raptor presentations
- Guided trail walks through endangered Blackland Prairie
- Seasonally themed activities about the web of life

BPRC travels to:

- Schools – curriculum varies based on grade level/desired outcome for a classroom, a grade or whole school
- Community events – for presentations or booth set-ups
- Organizations/corporations interested in learning more about birds of prey and the environment of North Texas

BPRC offers:

- Programming on-site by appointment for home school and community groups
- Project opportunities for scouts (Eagle/Gold Award) and other corporations/organizations (group/individual volunteers)
- Limited camping opportunities available

Blackland Prairie Raptor Center is a 501(c)(3) supported by private donations and local environmental organizations.

Contact Erich Neupert: 469.964.9696 or info@bpraptorcenter.org.

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EARTH INSPIRED CRAFTS AND EDUCATION: REPURPOSED ART WORKSHOPS

Household items that are commonly discarded, but which can be used to make gifts, games and decorative novelties will be displayed and discussed. A brief presentation about the benefits of repurposing and recycling precedes workshops. Participants will then make 3 to 4 age-appropriate, fun and easy, hands-on items. Suitable for grades K-12. Minimum of 10, maximum of 2 participants. All tools and materials are supplied. Cost: \$5 per student. Sponsorships are available to cover the entire cost of workshops.) Contact Casey Eckert, environmental educator, at craftycasey@EarthInspiredCrafts.com or 972.591.7333.

HEARD NATURAL SCIENCE MUSEUM & WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

www.heardmuseum.org

Connect your students with nature! The Heard Natural Science Museum offers a variety of educational programs for Pre-K through High School students at the museum or your school. In addition

to self-guided visits of the museum's indoor and outdoor exhibits and 5+ miles of trails in wooded, prairie and wetland habits, we offer guided nature trails, live animal presentations and a variety of TEKS aligned 1 and 2 hour field investigations in ecology and earth science topics. Or if you prefer, we can bring live animal presentations and a variety of mobile field investigations to your school. All programs can be customized to suit the needs of your students. Additional information, pricing, and reservation request forms are available on the website.

IN-SYNC EXOTICS www.insyncexotics.com

In-Sync Exotics in Wylie, TX is dedicated to the rescue of abused, neglected and unwanted exotic felines. Currently, In-Sync is home to over sixty cats representing nine different species. The sanctuary offers two educational programs: classroom presentations and field trips. Community outreach (classroom) programs are offered at no cost to the school and can easily be adapted to any age group. For example, kindergarteners may enjoy learning more about the differences between exotic cats while high school students may be interested in learning about the habitats and behaviors of big cats or volunteer opportunities. Guided group tours (field trips) may be arranged and are offered at a 25% discount off the requested dona-

tion rate. Students on a field trip will be introduced to a variety of exotic cats, and age-appropriate information will be given by experienced tour guides. Participants often have the opportunity to be within five feet of the cats, but they are separated from the cats by two fences so that everyone is safe.

JOHN BUNKER SANDS WETLAND CENTER www.wetlandcenter.com

Looking for a hands-on, field study-based trip for your students? The John Bunker Sands Wetland Center, situated in the middle of a 2,000-acre constructed wetland, is located in Seagoville, just south of the Dallas County line. The center offers educational programming for grades 4-12, delving into the wetland through student collected data, analysis and participation, all TEKS aligned. Learning about wetland ecology & plants, water conservation or more about the 257 bird species sighted on the property, the John Bunker Sands Wetland Center is the perfect environment to explore, discover and experience a wetland firsthand. Scholarships are available for schools to help cover transportation or program fees. For more information about school programming or the Center, contact Linda Dunn, Education Manager, at 972.474.9100 or ldunn@wetlandcenter.com.

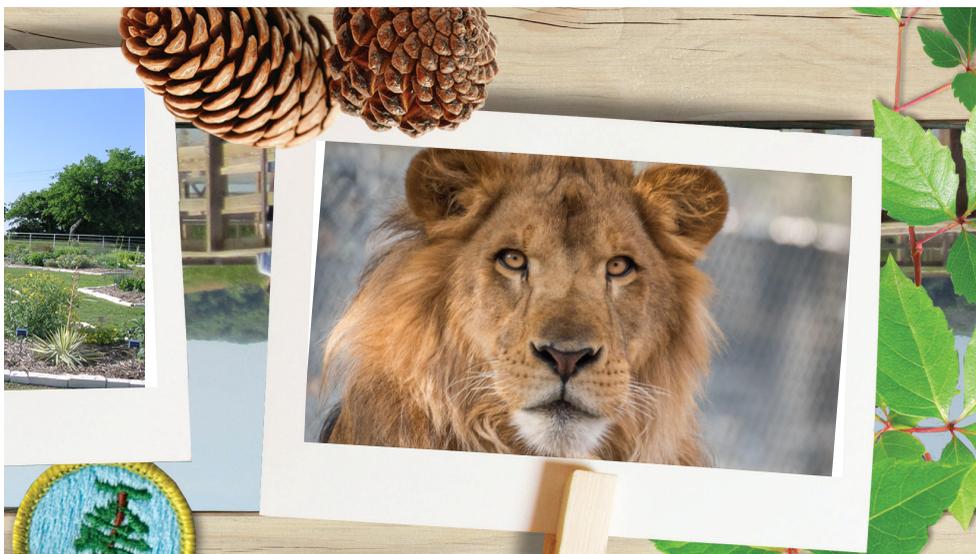
PEROT MUSEUM OF NATURE AND SCIENCE www.perotmuseum.org

The Perot Museum is more than a collection of exhibits and specimens. It also consists of experts and educators who share a commitment to inspiring minds through nature and science. That's why we offer cooler-than-cool, amaze-your-brain programming to help students connect with scientific concepts and principles. Programs are a great way to enhance your field trip to the Perot Museum, and they're equally impactful when our educators come to your campus – whether for one of our many enrichment programs or ScienceCast live distance learning. Many programs are offered for multiple grade levels with program content and activities tailored to meet the learning needs of each age group. TEKS for each program can be found online. There are three great ways for students to engage with the Perot Museum: field trips and on-site programs, school outreach programs and ScienceCast distance learning.

For field trips reservations, call 214.428.5555 x 8 or email reserve@perotmuseum.org.

VETERANS INSPIRING PATRIOTISM (VIP) PROGRAM

The Veterans Inspiring Patriotism program, a part of the Joe Foss Institute (JFI), was founded by Gen. Joe Foss, a WWII marine aviator and Medal of Honor recipient. The JFI is a non-profit organization that provides veteran speakers to promote patriotism, public service, integrity, leadership and appreciation for America's freedoms. Veteran speakers teach students and adults about their rights, roles and responsibilities as American Citizens. Contact Casey Eckert, Volunteer Assistant Program Coordinator, at caseye0619@gmail.com to schedule a speaker or learn about scholarships.



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Allen Police Department
Animal Shelter
Allison Harper 214.509.4378
Community Relations
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School Resource Officer
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9-1-1 Education Coordinator
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Allen Public Library
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Additional Resources Contact Information

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Paula Ross 972.727.2772

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outreach@bptmn.com

Blackland Prairie Raptor Center

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Earth Inspired Crafts and Education

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Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary

www.heardmuseum.org

972.562.5566

In-Sync Exotics

www.insyncexotics.com

972.442.6888

John Bunker Sands Wetlands Center

www.wetlandcenter.com

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Perot Museum of Nature and Science

www.perotmuseum.org

reserve@perotmuseum.org 214.428.5555 x8

Veterans Inspiring Patriotism (VIP) Program

www.joefossinstitute.org/veterans-inspiring-patriotism

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Remember to call ahead for all programs.

When sending an email to City of Allen staff be sure to include a subject line and please note that we cannot receive ".wvm" file attachments or attachments over 10MB.