

2025

# Educational Impact Statement



**SCHOOL TOURS:**

Served **21,752** school children through school visits and off-site programs

Number of programs: **547**

Number of participating schools/organizations: **216**

Distinct school districts served: **39**

TEA regions served: **5**

Dual-language and/or Spanish tours offered: **125** tours; **2,429** students served

**DISTANCE LEARNING:**

Served **3,938** students through distance learning programs

Number of programs: **98**

Distinct Texas school districts served: **28**

TEA regions served: **7**

Out-of-state programs offered: **12 schools; 6 states**

**TEACHER TRAININGS:**

Served **555** educators in teacher training programs

Number of programs: **12**

Curriculum topics taught in cooperation with local schools in student programs:

- Art
- Art History
- English Language Arts/Reading
- Human Geography
- Music
- Pre-K
- Science
- Social Studies
- Texas History
- U.S. History
- World History


Amount spent by the Museum on educational programming: **\$1,530,737**

Texas Congressional Districts served: **48 of 150**

Texas State Representative Districts served: **18 of 31**

## Museums are essential partners in education:

- Museums spend more than \$2 billion each year on education activities; the typical museum devotes three-quarters of its education budget to K-12 students.
- Museums receive approximately 55 million visits each year from students in school groups.
- Museums help teach the state and local curricula, tailoring their programs in math, science, art, literacy, language arts, history, civics and government, economics and financial literacy, geography, and social studies.
- Facilitated classroom visits to art museums have a measurable impact on key aspects of student learning.
- Children who visited a museum during kindergarten had higher achievement scores in reading, mathematics, and science in third grade than children who did not. Children who are most at risk for deficits and delays in achievement also see this benefit.
- At a time when elected leaders are trying to advance scientific literacy and compete globally in all sectors, museums are sparking the next generation of scientists, artists, political leaders, historians, and entrepreneurs.
- Teachers, students, and researchers benefit from access to trustworthy information through online collections and exhibits, although most museums need more help in developing their digital collections to meet this need.
- Americans view museums as one of the most important resources for educating our children and as one of the most trustworthy sources of objective information. According to a study by Indiana University, museums are considered a more reliable source of historical information than books, teachers, or even personal accounts by grandparents or other relatives.



“I just wanted to say thank you for that awesome visit. It really helped generate ideas not only on my end but on the student side as well . . . I really appreciate both of you for the positive energy towards this project.  
Thank you!”

— Erica Martinez, Teacher, Mansfield ISD, Carter in the Classroom participant