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PRESS RELEASE

**CMR BUSH EXTENDS HANDS ON TEXAS HISTORY
EXPERIENCE TO HOMESCHOOL STUDENTS**

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AUSTIN — Today, Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush announced a unique opportunity for homeschool students to participate in an exclusive hands on Texas history experience right here at the Texas General Land Office.

Join the Texas General Land Office as we explore history up close. Travel back in time to discover how Texas was founded by exploring the GLO archives, which contains more than 35.5 million documents and 45,000 maps! Homeschool students in 4th - 5th grade and 6th - 7th grade are invited to participate as Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush teaches an interactive lesson on cotton, cattle and railroads using restored maps (primary sources) from the GLO Archives. Following the lesson, students will have the opportunity to tour the Archives which, focuses on several of the most interesting documents that shaped the boundaries of our great state and made Texas what it is today. Sign up to reserve your spot today! (30 Students per event MAX).

“Our children’s education today will influence the direction of society for tomorrow,” said Commissioner Bush. “The GLO’s ‘Year of Education’ initiative has brought us to many schools across the state. However, education comes in all forms. This is a unique opportunity for Texas homeschool students to experience Texas History hands on. It is a privilege and honor to spend time with our leaders of tomorrow, teach them the importance of Texas history and learn of how we can better educate them for their future.”

Tuesday, September 24:
4th - 5th Grade Hands on Texas History
9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
1700 North Congress Avenue
Austin, TX 78701
Wednesday, September 25:
6th - 7th Grade Hands on Texas History
9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
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Austin, TX 78701

FREE; Space is limited to 30 students for each event

Register for 4th-5th grade event at

<https://handsontexashistory.splashthat.com/>

Register for 6th-7th grade event at

<https://6th-7thgradehandsontexashistor.splashthat.com/>

Please note, there is construction surrounding the Stephen F. Austin building. Parking can be found at the Bob Bullock Texas State History museum, at the Capitol complex (1-mile walk) or on the surrounding streets. Please allocate additional time for parking. Entrance to the building is located on Congress Street (east side of building). Parents/teachers are invited to attend the lesson and Archives tour; however, space is limited. A cafe with additional seating is located inside the Stephen F. Austin building.