

PIPELINE PROJECT

STATE BAR OF TEXAS

What? "The Pipeline Project," involves an attorney visiting a fourth or fifth grade classroom at least four times per school year.

Why? The attorney will encourage fourth and fifth grade students to achieve educational success as well as introduce them to our legal system and the law. Often times the lack of mentors compounded by a lack of resources keeps children from finishing school, attending college, and seeking a higher level education including a law degree. In particular, at-risk and poor students fail to achieve educational success.

Who? Attorneys interested in going into a fourth or fifth grade classroom and working with students.

Time Commitment? Four classroom visits per school year is the goal of the project. The commitment will last two-years. The hope is that during the second year the attorney will work with the same school at a different grade level.

How do I find a school to partner with? Attorneys are encouraged to contact a fourth or fifth grade teacher they know and would like to work with. If an attorney does not have a specific teacher in mind, then every effort will be made to match them with a classroom in their area.

Will the State Bar provide assistance? Materials are provided for the classroom presentations. The attorneys will be given a curriculum designed for that specific grade level. All the activities promote interactive communication between the attorney and the students. The curriculum will include:

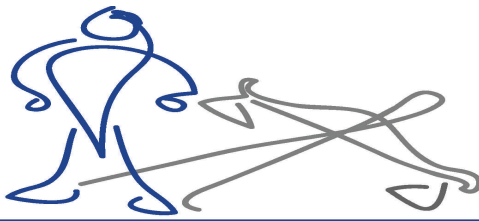
Fourth Grade: Texas History, Student led Interview of Attorney-Mentor (Press Conference), Where do Attorney's Work? (Community Map), Lone Star Waves Proudly (Flag salute case), Characters in a Trial, and The State of Texas v. Harry Will (Scripted Mock Trial).

Fifth Grade: Lesson One-Recognize Your Rights, Lesson Two-Constitution Quilt, Lesson Three-Building the Constitution Train and Lesson Four-All Aboard.

Additional on-line lessons will be provided at texaslre.org, as well as interactive website games for attorneys wanting to visit the classroom more than four times during the school year.

How do you sign up? Attorneys may sign up at www.texasbar.com or www.texaslre.org. Press the Pipeline logo and an on-line registration form will appear.

PREVIEW LESSONS AT www.texaslre.org



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NAME: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY; STATE; ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

Grade Level You Wish to Participate: ____ 4th or ____ 5th grade level.

Please answer one of these statements:

____ I have a classroom to work with. If yes, please provide teacher and school information here:

Teacher Name: _____

School Name: _____

School Address (city, state & zip): _____

____ I need a classroom to work with. In what area. For example St. Elmo Elementary School in Austin ISD

Please fax to: 512/475-1904