**STONES & BONES**

*A classroom presentation, activities and field trip designed for elementary students offering enrichment activities including teaching history and cemetery etiquette, as well as historical events honoring veterans and notable historic figures of San Angelo, Texas and the United States.*

**PROGRAM GOALS:**

* Learn about how we memorialize our loved ones and how this has been expressed
* Discuss the purpose and value of memorials in community places like Fairmount Cemetery
* Tour Fairmont Cemetery, participating in activities and projects that include math, geography, geometry, mapping and art.
* Students will learn about local history and how it relates to American or World History

**SCHEDULE (TBA)**

*Pre Field Day Activity:*

Permission Slips are given to students and Letters are sent home to Parents requesting Volunteer Participation for the Field Day activities

Teachers to hand out an FOF worksheet to students – Handouts available at: <http://www.stonesandbones4kids.org>

*DAY 1- Classroom Presentation: Introduction to Stones and Bones*

1. Power Point Show
2. A project or activity: Fairmount Questions Work Sheet
3. Divide students into 3 groups and name them

*DAY 2-Fairmount Cemetery: Field Day*

1. Tour of Fairmount
2. Group Activities

Symbolism Scavenger Hunt

Tombstone Rubbings

Photo Safari…Famous Folks and Family

1. Recap of Activities and Questions
2. Lunch, provided by SAISD (Cafeteria provided or Student sack lunches)

**Outcomes:**

1. Students will fulfill the following TEKS requirements for Social Studies, Writing and Art through activities and projects undertaken during the Stones and Bones Classroom Projects and the Field Day.

2. Students will work with interpretive materials in the classroom to help gain a deeper appreciation for passed family or friends and local history in the context of general information about how loved ones are remembered throughout history.

3. Students will produce artistic responses on day of field trip: Tombstone Rubbings, Photo Safari, Scavenger Hunt

4. Students will share their interpretive materials and artistic responses in a wrap up session

**Cemetery Etiquette:**

Discussion about personal and group behavior in this environment.

Students will sign memorandum of understanding.