

TEXAS BRIGADES

CONSERVATION LEADERS IN EVERY COMMUNITY



What is Texas Brigades?

The Texas Brigades is a wildlife and natural resource education and leadership development program. Each camp is 5 days. The camps are designed to teach life skills and increase knowledge of wildlife

and habitat management. It is a fun, intensive, hands-on experience!

Who puts on these camps?



The Texas Brigades is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization. The camps are put together by a dedicated group of volunteers from various government agencies, non-

profit organizations, businesses, and individuals interested in teaching youth about the great outdoors. Funding for the Brigades is provided by many donations and grants from businesses, foundations, organizations, and individuals.

Why should I go?

You will learn a lot about wildlife, beef cattle and conservation, as well as develop your leadership, team-building, and communication skills. This camp will help you no matter where life takes you. There are also opportunities for college scholarships!



Where are the camps held?

Most camps are held on private ranches. All of the facilities are set up for large groups and are very comfortable. Check out our website for exact locations!



Ranch Brigade

Who is eligible?

Anyone with an interest in the outdoors and is 13-17 years of age is eligible to apply. This is a co-ed camp. There is a deadline, so call or email us today to get an application.

What will I learn?

Everything you ever wanted to know about cows, quail, deer, bass & waterfowl! You will study anatomy, botany, habitat management, population dynamics, conservation, biology, and a whole lot more. In addition to a heaping dose of ecology, there are lessons on photography, entomology, art, firearm safety, leadership, communication, and team building. You will have the opportunity to learn from some of Texas' leading wildlife and natural resource experts.



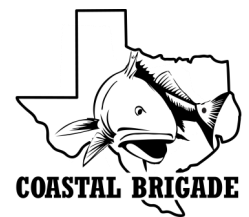
2016 Camps

- ◆ Rolling Plains Bobwhite – June 11-15 – Coleman
- ◆ South Texas Buckskin – June 12-16 – Uvalde
- ◆ South Texas Bobwhite – June 24-28 – McCoy
- ◆ Bass Brigade – July 6-10 – Santa Anna
- ◆ Waterfowl Brigade – July 17-21 – Tennessee Colony
- ◆ Ranch Brigade – July 18-22 – Santa Anna
- ◆ North Texas Buckskin - July 24-28 – Santa Anna

NEW FOR 2016

- ◆ Coastal Brigade – July 26-30 – Galveston

Applications are available online.



Interested in volunteering?

Texas Brigades needs adult leaders who want to help youth develop into leaders. No prior experience or special knowledge required! For more information, send us an email or feel free to call.

For more information, contact:

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TEXAS BRIGADES NEEDS ADULT MENTORS

Texas Brigades is looking for outdoor-oriented adults with an interest in wildlife and natural resources to serve as role models and mentors for some highly motivated, high-achieving youth. The Texas Brigades is a leadership development program for youth ages 13-17. The program focuses on wildlife and natural resources while helping the participants develop or hone their leadership and communication skills. If this sounds like a good deal to you, read on!

Adult Volunteer Leaders are needed to sign up for one of eight different programs held during June and July. Applications, dates, and locations may be found at www.texasbrigades.org. Accepted adults will be assigned to a group of five youth participants and each group is also assigned an Assistant Leader, which is a Brigade participant from last year. The Adult Leaders are asked to serve as mentors to the participants during the 5 day overnight program. Adult Leaders participate in all the activities with the youth.

Adult Leaders do not have to have any prior experience or specific knowledge about wildlife. We are looking for people who will commit to the full time (generally Sun – Fri). Adults should enjoy working with teenagers, be able to work with little sleep, and be able to handle hot weather (it is the summer in Texas after all!). Adult Leaders will act as mentors, leaders, followers, counselors, role models, moms/dads, friends, and supervisors.

There is no charge for the Adult Leaders to participate. Teachers – you earn 40 professional credit hours for your involvement! Lodging and all meals are even included – we just need you there. We know you are giving up a lot to help these kids and we truly appreciate your time!

If interested, please contact Aimee Carrasco or Zelina Alvarado at 1-800-TEX-WILD or email acarrasco@texasbrigades.org or zalvarado@texasbrigades.org.