

**THINGS TO SEE AND DO:**

- **Texas State Railroad**
- **Gus Engling Wildlife Management Area**
- **Palestine Community Forest**, including four lakes, picnic areas, and hiking trails
- **The Museum for East Texas Culture**
- **NASA Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility**
- **Lake Palestine**
- **Richland-Chambers Reservoir**

**ANNUAL EVENTS:**

- Dogwood Trails Celebration - March/April
- The Palestine Old Time Music & Dulcimer Festival - last weekend in March
- 1836 Chuckwagon Race - April
- Neches Wilderness Canoe Race - first weekend in August
- Camino 205 - The Texas Gravel Adventure bicycle race - first weekend in October
- Hot Pepper Festival - October
- Christmas Parade of Lights
- Frost Fest - first weekend of December

**SCHOOLS:**

- Washington Early Childhood; Northside Primary; Southside Elementary; A. M. Story Intermediate; Palestine Junior High, Palestine High School <http://www.palestineschools.org>
- Trinity Valley Community College
- University of Texas at Tyler, Palestine Campus

**OTHER FUN FACTS:**

- Established in 1846, Palestine was a very important early hub of the International & Great Northern Railroad. Many historic structures still grace the streets today.

**LINKS:**

<https://tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/hep01>

<http://www.palestinechamber.org> - Chamber of Commerce

<http://www.visitpalestine.com> - Palestine Visitor Center