Lesson Plans

**The Civil War Governor**

[Examine the Letters of Zebulon B. Vance](#) (8th Grade)

- [Resource: Vance Letters](#)

**North Carolina’s Wartime Governors** (8th Grade)

**Voices of Secession** (8th Grade)

**Related Lesson Plans**

[Learning from the Grave](#) (All Grades)

- This lesson can be completed using the Vance Cemetery, across the street from the historic site where Col. David Vance, Sr. and four other Vances rest, or at the [Riverside Cemetery](#) in Asheville, where Gov. Vance and several other family members are buried.

[Crafty People in North Carolina](#) (4th Grade)

[Christmas Celebrations in North Carolina](#) (3rd Grade)

- Consider a field trip to Vance Birthplace between Thanksgiving and first weekend of December while the house is decorate for our Christmas Candlelight Tours (held the first Saturday in December). Tour the house and discover 1830s Christmas traditions in the Reems Creek Valley.

[Tar Heel Travelers](#) (All Grades)

For information on programs at Vance Birthplace, please visit our [Field Trips guide](#). Search for other online lesson plans, articles, and materials from the NC Department of Cultural Resources at [http://education.ncdcr.gov/](http://education.ncdcr.gov/)