



EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM OFFERINGS

FALL 2026 – SUMMER 2027



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ABOUT CLEARWATER MARINE AQUARIUM



HOURS OF OPERATION

10am – 5pm daily*

*Call to confirm times

DIVE INTO DISCOVERY WITH CMA'S MARINE ACADEMY

The Marine Academy at Clearwater Marine Aquarium is dedicated to inspiring learners of all ages to appreciate the world's aquatic biodiversity while promoting conservation action and empowering future generations to make a difference. Learners engage in an immersive and interactive marine science-focused curriculum developed by Clearwater Marine Aquarium educators, biologists, researchers, and animal care providers. As a participant in this unique learning experience, students have an opportunity to discover topics in marine science and conservation, with a unique perspective from a working marine animal hospital and the industry experts who work there.

The Marine Academy offers robust programming onsite at the Aquarium in our R.O. Jacobson Education Center including summer camps, field trip classroom programs, guided tours, boat tours, career exploration programs, and team-building opportunities. Bring the Marine Academy into your facility with after-school programming, guest speakers, and in-class programs. Our educators can create custom programming specifically designed to fulfill your facility's educational goals. The Marine Academy also offers virtual tours of CMA guided by a marine biologist.

WHY CHOOSE TO VISIT CLEARWATER MARINE AQUARIUM?

At Clearwater Marine Aquarium, learning extends far beyond the classroom. Every Marine Academy program connects participants with authentic conservation efforts, providing meaningful opportunities to explore marine science while witnessing the real-world impact of rescue, rehabilitation, research, and conservation. As a fully operational marine animal hospital, CMA provides a one-of-a-kind educational experience where participants learn alongside the professionals who rescue, rehabilitate, and care for marine life every day. Our Richard O. Jacobson Education Center features six state-of-the-art classrooms designed to support immersive, hands-on learning experiences led by educators, biologists, researchers, and animal care professionals.

For more than 50 years, Clearwater Marine Aquarium has been a leader in marine animal rescue, rehabilitation, research, conservation, and environmental education. In 1984, CMA made history by successfully rehabilitating Sunset Sam, the first dolphin to survive a stranding in Florida. As an active member of the Southeast Region Marine Mammal Stranding Network since 1979, CMA responds to stranded dolphins, whales, manatees, and sea turtles throughout Florida's central Gulf Coast. To date, our Rescue Team has responded to more than 600 stranded cetaceans and 1,600 sea turtles, while our team has also rescued, rehabilitated, and released more than 40 North American river otters over the past 30 years. Each summer, our Sea Turtle Conservation Team surveys approximately 21 miles of nesting beaches, contributing valuable data to support sea turtle conservation throughout the region.

We believe in preserving our environment while inspiring the human spirit through leadership in the rescue, rehabilitation, and release of marine life; environmental education; research; and conservation.

Clearwater Marine Aquarium is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization.

EDUCATIONAL GROUP FIELD TRIPS



PLAN YOUR NEXT FIELD TRIP WITH US!

EDUCATIONAL GROUP ADMISSION (SCHOOLS AND HOMESCHOOL CO-OPS ONLY)

Bring your group to Clearwater Marine Aquarium for an unforgettable educational experience! For the safety of all participants, groups must provide at least one adult chaperone for every 10 students. Chaperones are responsible for supervising their students at all times while visiting Clearwater Marine Aquarium. PLEASE NOTE: Educational group admission is self-guided and does not include a marine biologist, educator, or guided tour.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: \$9.95 per person. Teachers are admitted free with a valid school ID.

DURATION: Flexible (self-guided)

Call 727-441-1790 ext. 2262 for Title I school pricing.

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10

EDUCATIONAL SELF-GUIDED ACTIVITY (ANY GROUP VISIT)

While we highly recommend our guided tours, scavenger hunts, and classroom programs, we also offer a free self-guided map activity to help you explore the aquarium at your own pace. Request your map activity by emailing educoordinator@cmaaquarium.org, or we can print it for you for just \$1.00 per activity sheet. Don't forget to bring your pencils, and clipboards for a fun and educational adventure!

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: \$1.00 per activity sheet

DURATION: Flexible (self-guided)

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE ADD-ONS

Transform your visit with an interactive, educator-led experience! Led by a CMA marine biologist, these engaging programs feature hands-on activities and immersive lessons that bring marine science and conservation to life while connecting your group to Clearwater Marine Aquarium's mission. To add a program to your group visit, call (727) 441-1790 ext. 2262. If your group exceeds the maximum program capacity, multiple consecutive sessions can be scheduled to accommodate larger groups. **All educational experience add-on programs must be paid in full at least two weeks prior to your scheduled visit to confirm your reservation.**

EDUCATIONAL CLASSROOM PROGRAMS (ANY GROUP VISIT)

Make your field trip even more memorable with an interactive classroom experience in Clearwater Marine Aquarium's Marine Academy Education Center! Led by a CMA marine biologist or educator, our hands-on programs inspire curiosity through engaging activities and real-world conservation connections. Choose from ten unique programs (see pages 8-9), each designed to complement your visit while aligning with the Florida State Standards.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: \$5.00 per participant + admission

DURATION: 45-60 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10 and a maximum of 50

PLEASE NOTE: Due to limited classroom capacity, one adult per 10 students can be present in the classroom program. Additional chaperones, parents, and siblings can explore CMA during the program with paid admission.

EDUCATIONAL SCAVENGER HUNT (ANY GROUP VISIT)

Take your field trip deeper with an experience designed to spark curiosity and teamwork! Explore Clearwater Marine Aquarium and work together to solve clues while discovering the amazing adaptations that help marine animals survive and thrive. This engaging experience encourages teamwork, critical thinking, and a deeper connection to marine science and conservation.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: \$5.00 per participant + admission

DURATION: 45-60 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10 and a maximum of 60

PLEASE NOTE: All students must remain with their assigned chaperone during scavenger hunt exploration.

EDUCATIONAL GUIDED TOUR (ANY GROUP VISIT)

Explore Clearwater Marine Aquarium with a guided tour led by a CMA marine biologist! Discover the inspiring stories of our resident animals, learn about the rescue, rehabilitation, and release process, and gain a deeper understanding of the conservation efforts that make Clearwater Marine Aquarium unique.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: \$5.00 per participant + admission

DURATION: 45-60 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10 and a maximum of 60

PLEASE NOTE: All teachers and chaperones participating in guided tours are considered paid participants and must be included in the program participant count.

EDUCATIONAL BOAT TOUR (ANY GROUP VISIT)

Cruise through our local estuary while exploring the unique coastal ecosystem, discovering native wildlife, and learning how Clearwater Marine Aquarium is working to protect Tampa Bay's marine environment. See page 10 for available tour options and pricing.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: Starting at \$300 per person

DURATION: 60-120 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Maximum of 40 guests per boat

READY TO BOOK A FIELD TRIP?



1. CHOOSE YOUR VISIT DATE, TIME & PROGRAMS

Start by selecting your preferred date, arrival time, and aquarium admission. Then, customize your field trip by adding one or more educational experiences, including biologist-led aquarium programs (page #), classroom programs (pages #), and eco-boat tours (page #). You may schedule multiple programs during the same visit; however, larger groups may need to rotate through activities to accommodate each program's maximum capacity. As you build your itinerary, be sure to allow time for lunch, and we recommend reserving 30–45 minutes at the end of your visit for self-guided exploration and departure. Create your own customized field trip or choose from one of our recommended combo packages below:

FIELD TRIP PACKAGE OPTIONS

OPTION 1: ADMISSION & BIOLOGIST-LED CLASSROOM PROGRAM STARTING AT \$14.95 PER STUDENT

Choose from a variety of interactive classroom programs led by a CMA marine biologist (see pages 8-9). Includes general admission to Clearwater Marine Aquarium for self-guided exploration before or after your program.

OPTION 2: ADMISSION & BIOLOGIST-LED GUIDED TOUR \$14.95 PER PARTICIPANT

Explore CMA with a marine biologist, showcasing CMA's resident animal's stories. Includes general admission to Clearwater Marine Aquarium for self-guided exploration before or after your program.

OPTION 3: ADMISSION & BIOLOGIST-LED SCAVENGER HUNT \$14.95 PER STUDENT

Work together to solve clues and discover incredible animal adaptations during a scavenger hunt, ending with a wrap-up discussion led by a CMA marine biologist. Includes general admission for self-guided exploration.

OPTION 4: ADMISSION, BIOLOGIST-LED CLASSROOM PROGRAM, BIOLOGIST-LED GUIDED TOUR STARTING AT \$18.95 PER STUDENT

Pair an interactive classroom program (see pages 8-9) with a guided tour led by a CMA marine biologist. Includes general admission for self-guided exploration before or after your programs.

OPTION 5: ADMISSION, BIOLOGIST-LED CLASSROOM PROGRAM, BIOLOGIST-LED SCAVENGER HUNT STARTING AT \$18.95 PER STUDENT

Combine a classroom program (see pages 8-9) with a scavenger hunt led by a CMA marine biologist for an engaging day of marine science exploration. Includes general admission for self-guided exploration before or after your programs.

2. PLACE A TEMPORARY HOLD ON YOUR DATE

Once you have a general idea of your preferred field trip experience and approximate group size, the next step is to place a temporary hold on your desired date. Please note that a temporary hold only reserves your requested date and does not confirm your educational programs. Your add-on programs are not officially booked until payment has been received. To place a temporary hold, contact us by:

- Phone: Call (727) 441.1790 x2262
- Email: Send a message to educoordinator@cmaaquarium.org

3. SECURE YOUR RESERVATION & FINALIZE PAYMENT

To confirm your educational program reservation for all add-on experiences, including classroom programs, guided tours, and eco-boat tours, payment must be received at least two weeks before your scheduled visit. General admission payment may be completed upon arrival on the day of your field trip.

PLEASE NOTE: To receive the educational group admission rate, all students and adults must have tickets reserved in advance, the entire group must check in together, and payment for all admission tickets must be completed in one transaction. If payment is not completed in one transaction, standard admission rates will apply.

4. PREPARE FOR YOUR VISIT

Check out our Marine Academy Field Trip Help Center to make sure everything goes smoothly for you, your students, and chaperones during your visit to CMA. The Field Trip Help Center includes important information such as:

- ✓ Drop-off & Parking Maps: Download for your chaperones or bus driver to help with arrival.
- ✓ Lunch Information: Details on where to buy lunch or store your pre-packed lunches.
- ✓ And more!



GROUP VISIT POLICIES & EXPECTATIONS



Our goal is to provide a safe, engaging, and memorable visit for every group. By booking an educational group visit with Clearwater Marine Aquarium, you acknowledge that you have reviewed and agree to follow the policies and expectations outlined below.

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT

- Temporary holds may be placed on requested program dates and times based on availability. Holds must be confirmed in writing at least one month prior to the scheduled visit. If confirmation is not received by this deadline, the educational program hold will be released and canceled; however, aquarium admission may still be available.
- Educational programs, including guided tours, scavenger hunts, and classroom programs, are not considered confirmed until payment has been received. Payment for all educational programs is due at the time of booking and must be paid in full at least two weeks prior to your scheduled visit.
- Aquarium admission is the only portion of your visit that may be paid on the day of arrival. Admission payment may be completed by check or credit card when your group checks in. Groups receiving the educational group admission rate must check in together, and the full group admission payment must be completed in one transaction. If payment is not completed in one transaction, standard admission rates will apply.
- Educational program cancellations made 14 or more calendar days prior to the scheduled program date are eligible for a full refund. No refunds will be issued for cancellations made 13 or fewer calendar days before the scheduled program date, including reductions in participant numbers after payment has been received. Admission refunds may be processed until your group checks in; no refunds will be issued once guests have entered Clearwater Marine Aquarium.

CHAPERONE REQUIREMENTS

- Groups must provide a minimum of one adult chaperone for every 10 students. Chaperones are required to purchase aquarium admission unless they are a teacher with a valid teacher ID. Teachers with a valid teacher ID receive free admission.
- All chaperones and teachers are responsible for actively supervising students and monitoring behavior throughout the entire field trip, including during educational programs and while exploring CMA. Chaperones and teachers must remain with their assigned students and ensure all group members follow CMA rules and expectations.
- Due to limited classroom space, classroom programs allow a maximum of one adult per 10 students in the classroom. Additional adults, including extra chaperones, parents, and siblings, may explore CMA during the program with paid admission.
- All chaperones and teachers participating in guided tours are considered paid participants and must be included in the program participant count.

GROUP BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

To ensure a safe, positive, and meaningful experience for all guests, students, teachers, and chaperones agree to:

1. Stay with your group and follow directions. Students must remain with their chaperone(s) throughout the visit and follow instructions from Clearwater Marine Aquarium team members at all times.
2. Be safe and respectful. Walk at all times, keep hands, feet, and personal belongings to yourself, and avoid behaviors that may create an unsafe or disruptive environment.
3. Use appropriate behavior, volume, and language. Treat guests, CMA team members, classmates, and the aquarium with respect by using respectful language, an appropriate indoor voice, and positive actions.

As guests at a working marine animal hospital, all visitors play an important role in protecting our animals and environment. Groups must:

1. Respect animal habitats and follow all posted exhibit guidelines.
2. Refrain from tapping on windows, yelling at animals, feeding animals, or placing objects into exhibits.
3. Respect CMA facilities and property by not littering, damaging, or removing items.

Clearwater Marine Aquarium reserves the right to remove any guest or group member whose behavior is considered unsafe, inappropriate, or disruptive. No refunds will be provided for groups or individuals removed due to behavior violations.

BIOLOGIST-LED AQUARIUM EXPLORATION PROGRAMS



Enhance your visit with a guided tour or scavenger hunt for an insider's look at Clearwater Marine Aquarium! Explore marine science, discover fascinating animal adaptations, and learn more about CMA's mission of rescue, rehabilitation, and release through interactive experiences led by our education team and marine biologists. Aquarium admission is required and available for an additional fee. To add a guided tour or scavenger hunt to your visit, contact the Education Team at (727) 441-1790 ext. 2262 or via email at educoordinator@cmaaquarium.org.

EDUCATIONAL SCAVENGER HUNT

Embark on an unforgettable field trip adventure designed to spark curiosity, encourage teamwork, and bring marine science to life! Explore Clearwater Marine Aquarium and work together to solve clues while discovering the incredible adaptations that help marine animals survive and thrive. This interactive experience challenges students to think critically, collaborate with their peers, and build a deeper connection to marine biology and conservation. With guidance from a CMA marine biologist and the opportunity to explore at their own pace, students will uncover fascinating marine science concepts and gain a greater appreciation for the animals that call our oceans home.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: \$5.00 per participant + admission

DURATION: 45-60 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10 and a maximum of 60

PLEASE NOTE: Students will receive instructions from a CMA marine biologist before exploring the aquarium in assigned groups with their chaperones. Groups will then reunite with the biologist for a wrap-up discussion and to review their answers. Consecutive sessions can be offered back to back to accommodate groups larger than 60.

EDUCATIONAL GUIDED TOUR

Explore Clearwater Marine Aquarium with an educational guided tour led by one of our knowledgeable CMA marine biologists! Designed to provide a structured way to experience the aquarium, this tour is the perfect option for guests who want to make the most of their visit. Discover the inspiring rescue stories of our resident animals and get an insider's look at the work that happens at a marine animal hospital. Learn about the rescue, rehabilitation, and release process while gaining a deeper understanding of the conservation efforts that help protect marine life. This immersive experience offers meaningful conservation connections, making it a memorable field trip for groups looking to bring science to life, spark curiosity, and give students a deeper appreciation for the marine world.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: \$5.00 per participant + admission

DURATION: 45-60 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10 and a maximum of 60

PLEASE NOTE: All teachers and chaperones participating in guided tours are considered paid participants and must be included in the program participant count. Consecutive sessions can be offered back to back to accommodate groups larger than 60.



BIOLOGIST-LED CLASSROOM PROGRAMS



Enrich your field trip experience with an engaging classroom program at our Marine Academy Education Center! Designed to complement your aquarium visit, these educational programs provide students with hands-on learning opportunities that bring marine science and conservation concepts to life. *Please Note: Due to limited classroom space, one adult chaperone per ten students is permitted to supervise the classroom program. Additional chaperones, parents, and siblings are welcome to explore Clearwater Marine Aquarium during the program with the purchase of admission. To secure your program reservation, payment must be received at least two weeks prior to your scheduled visit. Consecutive sessions can be offered back-to-back to accommodate groups larger than 50.*

AVAILABLE: Year-round

PRICE: \$5.00* per participant + admission

DURATION: 45-60 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10 and a maximum of 50 per session

PRE-KINDERGARTEN AND UP SELECTIONS

MAKE WAY FOR MANATEES (PRE-K – 8TH GRADE)

Dive into the world of Florida's state marine mammal—the manatee! Explore their unique eating habits, discover the diverse environments they call home, and learn about the challenges they face in the wild. Find out how everyone can help support manatee populations and contribute to the conservation of these gentle giants.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: Pre-K, K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th, 6th-8th

TERRIFIC TURTLES (PRE-K – 5TH GRADE)

Discover the fascinating world of turtles as you learn about their anatomy, behavior, and the differences between tortoises, terrapins, and sea turtles. Explore their unique adaptations, commonalities, and differences while uncovering what makes these shelled reptiles so special. Learn about our resident animals and enjoy an up-close visit with CMA's Russian tortoise ambassador.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: Pre-K, K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th

MARINE BIOLOGY 101 (K – 12TH GRADE)

Explore Marine Biology 101 as you climb the phylogenetic tree and discover the incredible diversity of animals that call Clearwater Marine Aquarium home. From marine mammals and sea turtles to pinnipeds, birds, fish, and invertebrates, students will investigate the adaptations and survival strategies that help animals thrive in a variety of habitats. Through hands-on exploration of biofacts and live touch tank invertebrates, students will examine life cycles, environments, and feeding methods while gaining a deeper appreciation for the interconnectedness of marine life.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th

OPERATION: WINTER'S TAIL (K – 12TH GRADE)

Learn about the chemical, biological, physical, and mathematical processes behind the most famous tail in the world. Explore Winter's legacy and the Hanger Clinic's process of creating a tail for an orphaned dolphin injured in a crab trap line. Though Winter is no longer with us, discover the dangers animals face due to human activities and get inspired to keep our oceans clean, recycle, and advocate for better fishing practices.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th

RESCUE RESPONDERS (K – 12TH GRADE)

Discover how Clearwater Marine Aquarium's rescue response team works to fulfill our mission of rescue, rehabilitation, and release. Focus on anatomy and conservation as your students transform into mini-rescue biologists watching over their rescued marine mammals. In addition, learn about the role CMA plays in the rescues of many other species, including manatees, and how we can all work together to protect and preserve these species!

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th

PINNIPED POWER (K – 5TH GRADE)

Discover what makes pinnipeds some of the ocean's most impressive marine mammals! Learn about Clearwater Marine Aquarium's resident harbor seals and sea lions as you explore the incredible adaptations that help them thrive both in the water and on land. Compare the unique traits and behaviors that set each species apart, and uncover the remarkable "pinniped powers" that make these flipped animals true marine marvels.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th



BIOLOGIST-LED CLASSROOM PROGRAMS



MIDDLE SCHOOL AND UP SELECTIONS

AQUARIST ADVENTURE (6TH – 12TH GRADE)

Explore the dynamic link between chemistry and biology with Clearwater Marine Aquarium! Discover firsthand the critical role of daily water quality testing in ensuring the well-being of our resident animals. Students will engage in hands-on learning as they conduct real laboratory tests, gaining practical insights into the abiotic factors that are essential for supporting the lives of our rescued and resident marine animals.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: 6th-8th, 9th-12th

LOOK INSIDE THE SQUID! (6TH – 12TH GRADE)

Join us as we explore the internal and external anatomy of a squid while you participate in an interactive dissection. Learn about the special adaptations these creatures possess to help them survive and hunt in the dark. Discover the important role that squid play in the food chain and which animals enjoy squid as part of their diet here at CMA! ***The "Look Inside the Squid" program is \$8.00 per student.**

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: 6th-8th, 9th-12th

NEW! MARINE MAMMAL RESEARCH (6TH – 12TH GRADE)

Explore the ways that scientists investigate and protect marine mammals through the work of the Clearwater Marine Aquarium Research Institute. Discover how researchers study cetaceans, North Atlantic right whales, and manatees. Step into the role of a marine mammal scientist by using dorsal identification techniques to identify individuals and explore how we monitor wild populations.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: 6th-8th, 9th-12th

SEA YOUR FUTURE: CAREERS AT AN AQUARIUM (6TH – 12TH GRADE)

Dive into an exciting journey with an exclusive look at aquarium careers. Learn about Clearwater Marine Aquarium's research and conservation programs, education initiatives, and animal husbandry. Discover the various paths you can take to work at a fully operational marine animal hospital and start planning your future in marine biology!

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: 6th-8th, 9th-12th



BIOLOGIST-LED BOAT PROGRAMS



Enhance your group's visit with an educational eco-boat tour. Explore our local bay, learn about the estuarine ecosystem, and look for wildlife! *Please Note: To secure your program reservation, payment must be received at least two weeks prior to your scheduled visit. Aquarium admission is not required but can be added on for an additional fee. Tour duration and availability may vary. Please call the Education Team at (727) 441.1790 ext. 2262 to book. CMA is an Authorized Water Vessel Commercial Carrier through the Pinellas County School Board.*

ECO ED-VENTURES BOAT TOUR (K – 12TH GRADE)

Embark on an unforgettable voyage of marine discovery aboard a Clearwater Marine Aquarium boat! Our immersive marine science curriculum invites students to explore the wonders of the ocean. Explore Clearwater Bay as we look at the estuary environment and make observations about the animals that call an estuary home. Led by a marine biologist, students will learn about marine ecosystems and how to protect them, fostering a deep understanding and appreciation for the precious underwater world. Exclusively for educational groups.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

EDUCATIONAL GROUP PRICE: \$300 per boat

DURATION: 60 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Maximum 40 participants per boat

PLEASE NOTE: All children and adults going on the boat are considered paid participants and must be included in the program participant count. Consecutive boat tours may be offered back to back to accommodate groups larger than 40. Boat routes may be altered by the captain at any time.

DOLPHIN AND WILDLIFE BOAT TOUR CHARTER (ALL AGES)

Explore Clearwater Bay during this 60-minute eco-boat cruise. Learn about members of our local dolphin population, travel around a bird sanctuary island, and view seasonal local wildlife.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

EDUCATIONAL GROUP PRICE: \$300 per boat

DURATION: 60 minutes

NON-EDUCATIONAL GROUP PRICE: \$600 per boat

GROUP SIZE: Maximum 40 participants per boat

PLEASE NOTE: All children and adults going on the boat are considered paid participants and must be included in the program participant count. Consecutive boat tours may be offered back to back to accommodate groups larger than 40. Boat routes may be altered by the captain at any time.

SEA LIFE SAFARI BOAT TOUR CHARTER (ALL AGES)

Join us for a 90-minute scenic eco-boat cruise around our local estuary. Be a part of citizen science, and observe data collection in action, as we perform a net pull and conduct a "show & tell" onboard of sea creatures found in the grass beds and sand flats of the bay. Get your feet wet at a local shell island and collect seashells.* See local wildlife above and below the water!

AVAILABLE: Year-round

EDUCATIONAL GROUP PRICE: \$375 per boat

DURATION: 60 minutes

NON-EDUCATIONAL GROUP PRICE: \$750 per boat

GROUP SIZE: Maximum 40 participants per boat

*PLEASE NOTE: All children and adults going on the boat are considered paid participants and must be included in the program participant count. Consecutive boat tours may be offered back to back to accommodate groups larger than 40. *Island stop may be canceled due to weather or in accessibility, and boat routes may be altered by the captain at any time.*

PRIVATE SNORKELING EXCURSIONS (AGES 5 & UP)

Hop aboard Clearwater Marine Aquarium's boat for an immersive snorkeling experience in the protected waters of Clearwater Bay. Your group will have the opportunity to get up close with local intertidal animals, including sea urchins, crabs, sea stars, and snails. This program is customized for each age group, ensuring you stay within standing-depth water for a safe and engaging experience. We provide mandatory snorkeling vests and expert guides to ensure a safe and educational experience. **Guests must bring their own snorkeling gear, closed-toe water shoes, and towels. Participants must be at least 5 years old to join the snorkeling adventure.**

AVAILABLE: Seasonally*

PRICE: \$25 per person

DURATION: 120 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Minimum 15 and maximum 40 participants per boat

*PLEASE NOTE: All children and adults going on the boat are considered paid participants and must be included in the program participant count. Consecutive snorkeling excursions may be offered back to back to accommodate groups larger than 40. *This adventure is dependent on weather and water conditions.*

PRIVATE KAYAKING EXCURSIONS (AGES 7 & UP)

Take your group on an unforgettable kayaking adventure led by a marine biologist. Paddle through local waterways while identifying wildlife and coastal ecosystems up close. We provide kayaks, paddles, life jackets, and expert guides to ensure a safe and educational experience. **Guests must bring their own closed-toe water shoes and a towel. Single and tandem kayaks are available. Any participants 7-10 years old must be accompanied by an adult (18 or older) in a double kayak.**

AVAILABLE: Seasonally*

PRICE: \$45 per person

DURATION: 120 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Maximum people 15 per tour

*PLEASE NOTE: All children and adults going on the kayaks are considered paid participants and must be included in the program participant count. Consecutive kayak tours may be offered back to back to accommodate groups larger than 15. *This adventure is dependent on weather and water conditions.*



OUTREACH OFFSITE PRE- K PROGRAMS



Bring the wonders of the ocean to your preschool or Pre-K classroom with a collection of fun and engaging programs designed specifically for children ages 3–5. Choose one topic for a one-time visit or combine multiple topics to create a custom mini-series for your classroom or program. Each program features age-appropriate stories, hands-on activities, interactive games, and fascinating animal facts that connect to Florida's Pre-Kindergarten Standards. *Please Note: Our education staff holds contractor badges for the Pinellas County school system. If your school requires additional screenings, your institution will be responsible for covering the costs for at least two CMA staff members to complete the required screening process. Off-site programs are available for locations within a 40-mile driving distance of CMA.*

AVAILABLE: Year-round
DURATION: 30-45 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Maximum of 20 participants per session
PRICE: \$100 for the first presentation; \$75 for each additional presentation in the same mini series or on the same day at the same location, plus round-trip mileage for each day.

OUTREACH PRE-K PROGRAM SELECTIONS

NEW! DOLPHIN DISCOVERY

Dive into the world of dolphins and learn all about these amazing ocean animals! Discover what dolphins eat, where they live, how they communicate, and what makes them special. Through stories, games, and hands-on activities, little learners will have a fin-tastic time exploring the world of bottlenose dolphins!

NEW! HATCHLING HEROES

Embark on an adventure through the life cycle of a sea turtle, from tiny hatchling to adult! Students will explore sea turtle anatomy, interact with real biofacts, and design their own hatchling shell. Through story time and hands-on activities, they'll discover how sea turtles navigate their lives and learn simple ways we can all help protect them.

NEW! TIDAL TOTS

Get ready to wiggle, squish, and splash as you explore the fascinating world of marine invertebrates! Meet some of the ocean's spineless animals, discover what makes them unique, and learn how they survive in their underwater habitats. Through hands-on activities and interactive exploration, little learners will get up close with fascinating creatures like sea urchins and more! **Tidal Tots is the only off-site pre-k program that includes a live invertebrate as part of the program.**

NEW! SQUISHY BONES

Sink your teeth into the fascinating world of sharks and rays! Students will discover what they have in common with fish while comparing these incredible animals and exploring shark jaws and other biofacts. Through story time and hands-on activities, little learners will use their thinking skills to explore what makes these animals unique.

NEW! BUILD YOUR OWN PRE-K MINI SERIES

Choose 2–4 programs from our 4 fun and engaging marine science topics to create a series that fits your classroom, your students' interests, or the time of year. Each 30–45-minute session is led by a CMA marine biologist and packed with age-appropriate stories, interactive activities, and hands-on learning that will get your little learners excited about the ocean. **If Tidal Tots is selected as one of your series topics, that session will include a live invertebrate.**



WANT TO VISIT CMA FOR A PRE-K PROGRAM?

Check out our Pre-K Pod Pals programs, featuring these same topics and more at CMA on the first Tuesday of each month from March through August!

OUTREACH PRESENTATION PROGRAMS



Bring the wonders of the marine world directly to your classroom with Clearwater Marine Aquarium's Outreach Programs! Designed to complement classroom curriculum, these engaging, hands-on programs inspire curiosity, spark discovery, and connect students to real-world marine science and conservation. Led by one of CMA's knowledgeable marine biologists, each program transforms learning into an interactive experience—bringing CMA to you! *Please Note: To secure your offsite program, payment must be received at least two weeks prior to our scheduled visit. A round-trip mileage fee from Clearwater Marine Aquarium to your location will be added to the program fee. Outreach presentations are only available for locations within a 40-mile driving distance of Clearwater Marine Aquarium. If your location falls outside this service area, consider booking our H2O Mobile Exhibit or a virtual field trip for an engaging alternative.*

AVAILABLE: Year-round
DURATION: 45-60 minutes

GROUP SIZE: Maximum of 50 participants per session
PRICE: \$100 for the first presentation; \$75 for each additional same-day presentation session at the same location, plus round-trip mileage.

IN-PERSON OUTREACH PROGRAM SELECTIONS

DEEP DIVE INTO CMA: A WORKING MARINE ANIMAL HOSPITAL (K – ADULT)

Dive deep into our mission: preserving our environment and inspiring the human spirit through leadership in marine life rescue, rehabilitation, release, environmental education, research, and conservation. Immerse yourself in videos showcasing recent rescue efforts and witness firsthand the expansion of our aquarium. Uncover exciting career opportunities at a dynamic working marine animal hospital and set your sights on a future dedicated to oceanic stewardship and discovery!

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th, Adult

DOLPHIN DEPUTIES (K-5TH GRADE)

Explore Clearwater Marine Aquarium's mission of preserving our environment and inspiring the human spirit through marine life rescue, rehabilitation, release, education, research, and conservation. Experience exciting rescue videos, learn about the growth of our working marine animal hospital, and discover the many careers that make a difference in protecting our oceans.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th

READY TO RESCUE (K-ADULT)

Step into the role of a marine animal rescue team and learn how Clearwater Marine Aquarium cares for sick and injured marine life. Explore the specialized care animals receive from rescue through rehabilitation, then work together to walk through the steps of a rescue alongside one of our marine biologists.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th, Adult

SEA TURTLE BIOLOGY & NESTING (K-ADULT)

Explore how Clearwater Marine Aquarium helps protect sea turtle nests along the Pinellas County coastline while following the incredible life cycle of the loggerhead sea turtle. Investigate sea turtle anatomy through hands-on exploration of real turtle shells and skulls, and gain a deeper understanding of the adaptations that help these remarkable reptiles survive.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th, Adult

NO BONES ABOUT IT (K – ADULT)

Discover the incredible world of invertebrates through a hands-on exploration of the Gulf of Mexico's fascinating spineless animals that call Clearwater Marine Aquarium home! Students will investigate snails, crabs, and sea urchins, while using their five senses to observe, compare different forms of movement, and uncover the amazing adaptations that help these animals survive. The experience concludes with the opportunity to touch select invertebrates and see firsthand how they are perfectly adapted for life on the ocean floor. ***No Bones About It is the only off-site program that includes a live invertebrate as part of the program.***

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th, Adult



IN-PERSON OUTREACH PROGRAM SELECTIONS (CONTINUED)

SHARK BIOLOGY & CONSERVATION (K – ADULT)

Explore the world of sharks and learn about the ocean's most misunderstood carnivores! Discover their unique adaptations, important role in marine food webs, and the ways they help maintain healthy ocean ecosystems. Students will also examine major human threats facing wild shark populations and learn how they can make shark-conscious decisions to support conservation efforts.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th, Adult

MANATEE MOMENTS (2ND GRADE – ADULT)

Get to know Florida's gentle giants and the science behind manatee conservation! Learn about the challenges manatees face, how scientists identify individuals, and how researchers track populations to better understand this unique species. Explore the important role Clearwater Marine Aquarium Research Institute plays in protecting manatees through conservation research across the U.S., Cuba, and Belize.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th, Adult

MARINE MAMMAL BIOLOGY & CONSERVATION (6TH GRADE – ADULT)

Explore the biology and conservation of marine mammals, including bottlenose dolphins, Florida manatees, and pinnipeds. Get an introduction to the unique biology, physiology, adaptations, and behaviors of these incredible animals while exploring the challenges they face in the wild. Learn how research, conservation efforts, and everyday actions can help protect marine mammal populations all over the world.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: 6th-8th, 9th-12th, Adult

VIRTUAL OUTREACH PROGRAM SELECTIONS

Bring Clearwater Marine Aquarium into your classroom with an interactive virtual field trip led by a CMA marine biologist! Students will explore marine science, learn about our resident animals and conservation efforts, and have the opportunity to ask questions during a live Q&A with the biologist hosting the session. Groups may submit questions in advance for our team to answer during the program, creating a personalized experience that connects students directly with marine science experts.

AVAILABLE: Year-round

DURATION: 45 minutes

GROUP SIZE: No minimum or maximum

PRICE: \$150 per session



TURTLE TALES (PRE-K – ADULT)

Dive into the world of sea turtle conservation and learn why these incredible reptiles are some of CMA's most common patients. Join a CMA marine biologist to explore the role of a working marine animal hospital, learn about resident sea turtles, and discover the journey of rehabilitation patients working toward a return to the wild. Students will uncover the threats sea turtles face and how they can help protect these amazing animals.

MARINE MAMMAL MARVELS (PRE-K – ADULT)

Explore the fascinating world of marine mammals and learn what makes each species unique! Join a CMA marine biologist to investigate the adaptations and behaviors of bottlenose dolphins, manatees, North American river otters, seals, and sea lions. Students will learn about communication, echolocation, swimming adaptations, rescue stories, and the important conservation efforts that help protect these incredible animals.

FIN-TASTIC FISH (PRE-K – ADULT)

Explore the incredible diversity of the ocean's finned inhabitants! Join a CMA marine biologist to learn about the colorful fish that call Clearwater Marine Aquarium home and uncover the unique adaptations that help sharks and rays thrive. Students will discover how these animals contribute to healthy ocean ecosystems and why protecting marine life is essential for the future of our oceans.



OUTREACH OFFSITE PROGRAM SERIES



Dreaming of going on an ocean expedition or working at a marine animal hospital? CMA's recurring program series bring marine science directly to your school or organization through a multi-week educational experience designed to explore these possibilities and more. Perfect for after-school programs, summer camps, and other enrichment opportunities, each session is led by a CMA marine biologist and features hands-on learning that introduces students to a wide variety of marine science topics. *Please Note: Our education staff holds contractor badges for the Pinellas County school system. If your school requires additional screenings, please note that your institution will be responsible for covering the costs for at least two of our staff members to undergo the screening process. Outreach program series are only available for locations within a 40-mile driving distance of Clearwater Marine Aquarium.*

AVAILABLE: Year-round

GROUP SIZE: Minimum of 10 and maximum of 15 per weekly session

DURATION: 6–8 weekly 45-minute sessions

PRICE: \$15 per student, per session, plus weekly round-trip mileage

OUTREACH PROGRAM SERIES SELECTIONS

OCEAN EXPLORATION (K – 5TH GRADE)

Ever wonder what it would be like to lead an expedition and discover a new species? Discover the many ocean habitats found around the world, and learn about the animals that inhabit them with Clearwater Marine Aquarium's after-school program. Each week, students will travel deeper and deeper into the ocean as they go on their very own ocean expedition. Design an exploration vehicle, then create a creature that is adapted to the new environment. Get up close with biofacts as students learn about sea urchins, dolphins, sea turtles, and more during their exploration. **This program series includes one session featuring a live invertebrate.**

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-2nd, 3rd-5th

TIDES OF TALENT (K – 5TH GRADE)

Animals have special talents called adaptations that help them be well-suited to their environment. Explore marine animal adaptations with Clearwater Marine Aquarium's program series. Each week, a new animal's talent will be showcased through educational crafts and activities. Discover dancing seahorses and singing blue whales. Learn about CMA's resident animals and how they were able to make movie magic. **This program series includes one session featuring a live invertebrate.**

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-2nd, 3rd-5th

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF... (6TH – 12TH GRADE)

What is it like to work at a marine animal hospital? This after-school program will showcase the many different career paths within Clearwater Marine Aquarium. Students will explore a wide variety of beneficial skills and discover the next steps they should take if they want to pursue careers in a working animal hospital. Learn about Clearwater Marine Aquarium's research and conservation programs, education, animal husbandry, and many more departments that help promote the mission of preserving our environment while inspiring the human spirit.

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: 6th-8th, 9th-12th

BUILD YOUR OWN MARINE SCIENCE SERIES (K– ADULT)

Create a customized learning experience by selecting 3-8 of your favorite outreach programs from pages 12-13. Tailor the series to match your curriculum, students' interests, or seasonal themes while exploring a variety of marine science and conservation topics. Each 45-minute session is led by a CMA marine biologist and features engaging presentations and activities that build curiosity and inspire a deeper connection to the ocean. **If No Bones About It is selected as one of your series topics, that session will include a live invertebrate.**

AVAILABLE AGE GROUPS: K-1st, 2nd-3rd, 4th-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th, Adult



OUTREACH EVENT TABLING PROGRAMS



Make a splash at your next event with an educational and interactive outreach table! CMA marine biologists bring hands-on activities, real biofacts, and engaging educational games that inspire curiosity and connect guests of all ages with marine science. Perfect for family days, STEM nights, festivals, community events, and more, our tabling programs bring the wonders of the ocean directly to your audience. *Please Note: Outreach tabling programs are available for locations within a 40-mile driving distance of Clearwater Marine Aquarium. If your location falls outside this service area, consider booking our H2O Mobile Exhibit as an engaging alternative on page 16.*

AVAILABLE: Year-round

DURATION: Variable

AGE RANGE: Variable

SCHOOLS & SELECT COMMUNITY EVENT PRICE: Complimentary*

CORPORATE GROUPS PRICE: Call 727-441-1790 ext. 2262 for pricing

GROUP SIZE: Variable

OUTREACH TABLING PROGRAM SELECTIONS

INVERTEBRATE INVESTIGATORS

Uncover the amazing world of animals without backbones through hands-on exploration of invertebrates and vertebrates! Students will investigate the unique characteristics of bivalves and gastropods, examine fascinating biofacts, and take on an a-maze-ing challenge to help hermit crabs and sea urchins find the shells they need to survive. This engaging program also features a live invertebrate, offering an unforgettable opportunity to observe these incredible animals up close. **Please Note: Invertebrate Investigators is the only CMA tabling program that includes a live animal. For schools and select community events, this program is \$50 per hour. Corporate groups, please call 727-441-1790 ext. 2262 for pricing.*

ALL ABOUT SHARKS

Dive into the jaw-some world of Florida's sharks! Explore the incredible adaptations that make these ocean predators so successful, uncover fascinating facts, and bust common myths through hands-on activities. Gain a new appreciation for the important role sharks play in keeping our oceans healthy.

MAGIFICENT MANATEES

Meet Florida's gentle giants and discover what makes manatees so unique! Learn about their amazing adaptations, the challenges they face in the wild, and the conservation efforts—including Clearwater Marine Aquarium's work—that help protect these beloved marine mammals for generations to come.

MAGNIFYING MICROPLASTICS

Take a closer look at one of today's biggest environmental challenges - microplastics! Through engaging visuals and an interactive sorting activity, guests will discover where microplastics come from, why they matter, and how simple everyday actions can help protect our oceans.

NICKS & NOTCHES

Step into the role of a marine mammal researcher and discover how Clearwater Marine Aquarium studies wild dolphins in local waters. Learn how scientists identify individual dolphins using their dorsal fins, then put your observation skills to the test with an exciting matching challenge.

PLANET PROTECTORS

Become an ocean hero by exploring simple ways to make a positive impact on the environment! Discover inspiring conservation success stories, learn practical sustainability tips, and find out how small actions can make a big difference for marine life and our planet.

RIGHT WHALE RESEARCHERS

Journey into the world of the critically endangered North Atlantic right whale! Explore their incredible migrations, the challenges they face, and how Clearwater Marine Aquarium Research Institute is working to protect this remarkable species. Discover how research and conservation efforts are helping secure a brighter future for these ocean giants.

SEA TURTLE SAFETY GUARDS

Discover what it takes to help protect sea turtles during nesting season! Explore the incredible life cycle of these ancient reptiles, learn about the challenges they face, and find out how Clearwater Marine Aquarium and everyday ocean stewards can help ensure their future.

SHELL & TELL

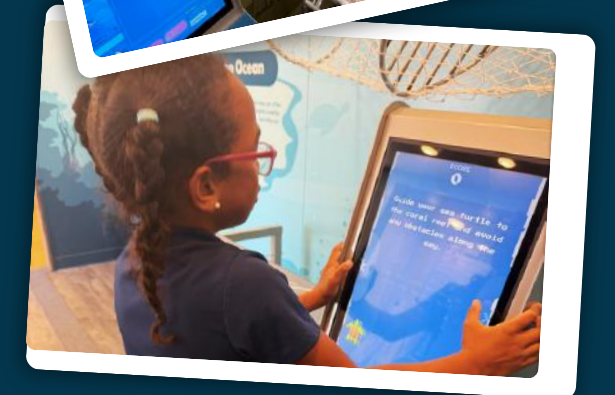
Explore the amazing world hidden inside seashells! Discover the fascinating invertebrates that create them, compare gastropods and bivalves, and match local shells while uncovering fun facts about the animals that once called them home.



ON THE GO WITH H2O

HEALTHY HABITATS & OCEANS

Bring Clearwater Marine Aquarium to your community with the H2O Mobile Exhibit—a 38-foot traveling marine science experience packed with interactive exhibits and hands-on activities that captivate guests of all ages. Explore the fascinating world of sea turtles and Florida's coastal ecosystems while discovering the real-world challenges facing marine wildlife and the environment. Through engaging experiences that encourage curiosity, exploration, and conservation, participants will see how small actions can make a big impact on protecting our ocean!



GROUP TYPE	DURATION	PRICE
Educational Groups	Full Day (4-6 Hours)	\$550 plus mileage
	Half Day (2-3 Hours)	\$300 plus mileage
Title I Schools	Full Day (4-6 Hours)	\$500 plus mileage
	Half Day (2-3 Hours)	\$250 plus mileage
Non-Educational Groups: Call for pricing		

**VISIT WWW.CMAQUARIUM.ORG/H2O
TO BOOK YOUR H2O MOBILE EXHIBIT
EXPERIENCE TODAY!**

TRASH-TO-TOYS COMPETITION

Turn Trash into Treasure for Our Dolphins!

Celebrate Earth Day by transforming recyclable materials into an enrichment toy for Clearwater Marine Aquarium's resident dolphins! Classrooms across Pinellas and Hillsborough counties are invited to design and build a creative, dolphin-approved toy using recyclable materials. Entries will be judged by our resident dolphins, and the winning class will receive a FREE 45-minute virtual field trip with a CMA marine biologist during May 2027!

Register by:
March 31, 2027

Toy Drop-Off:
April 1-11, 2027

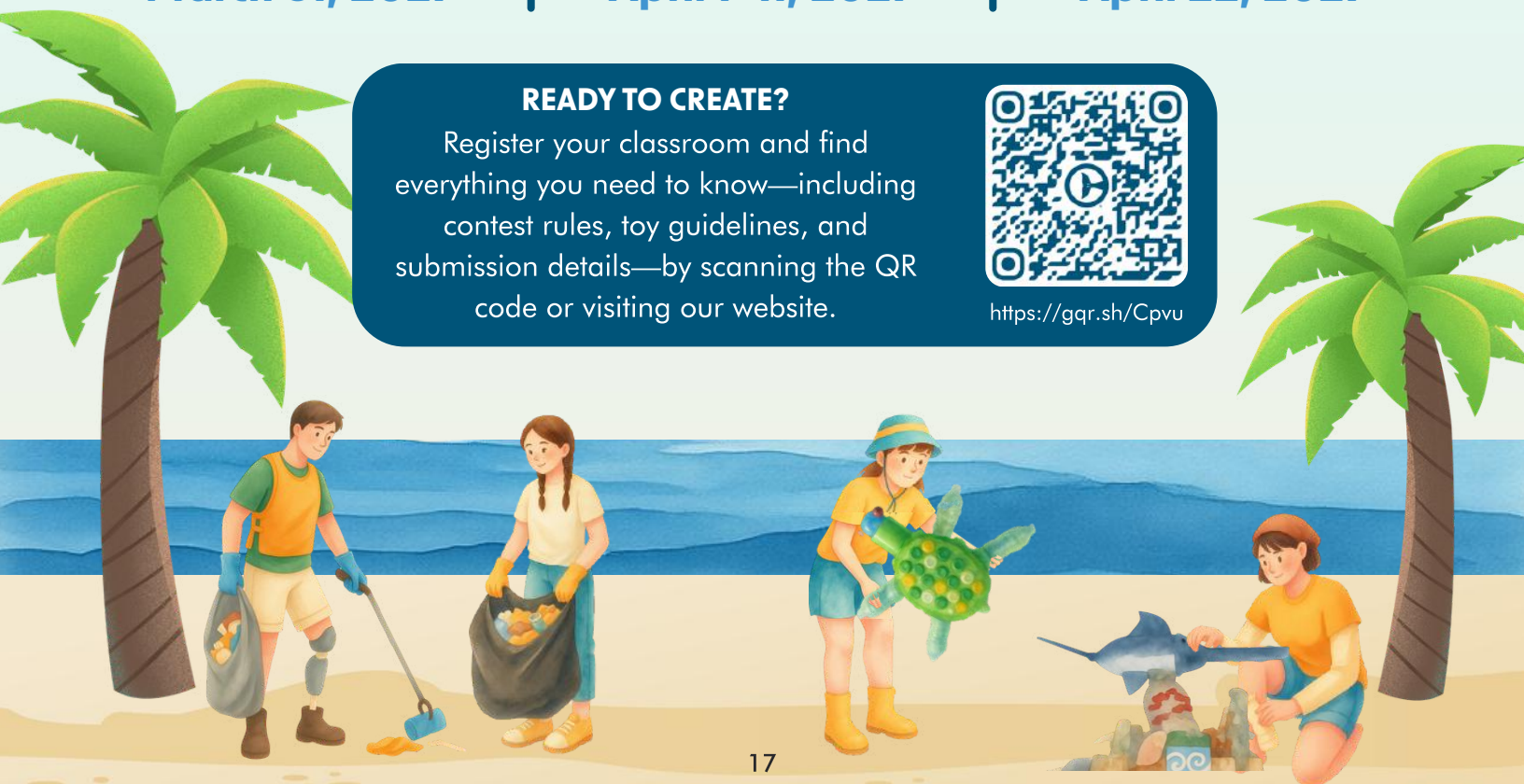
Winner Announced:
April 22, 2027

READY TO CREATE?

Register your classroom and find everything you need to know—including contest rules, toy guidelines, and submission details—by scanning the QR code or visiting our website.



<https://gqr.sh/Cpvu>



YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS CALENDAR



GET READY FOR A YEAR OF EXCITING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AT CMA!

This calendar highlights the upcoming Youth & Family Programs hosted by Clearwater Marine Aquarium's Education Team. With opportunities for all ages—from Pre-K through high school—our programs include family experiences, homeschool programs, scout events, and drop-off adventures for children and teens. Visit cmaquarium.org for complete program details and registration information. Programs are open to the public, but space is limited, so be sure to register early!

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DROP-OFF YOUTH PROGRAMS

- ★ Night at the Aquarium – For ages 5-10
- Career Exploration – For 7th-12th graders
- Summer Camp Weekly Sessions – For ages 5-18

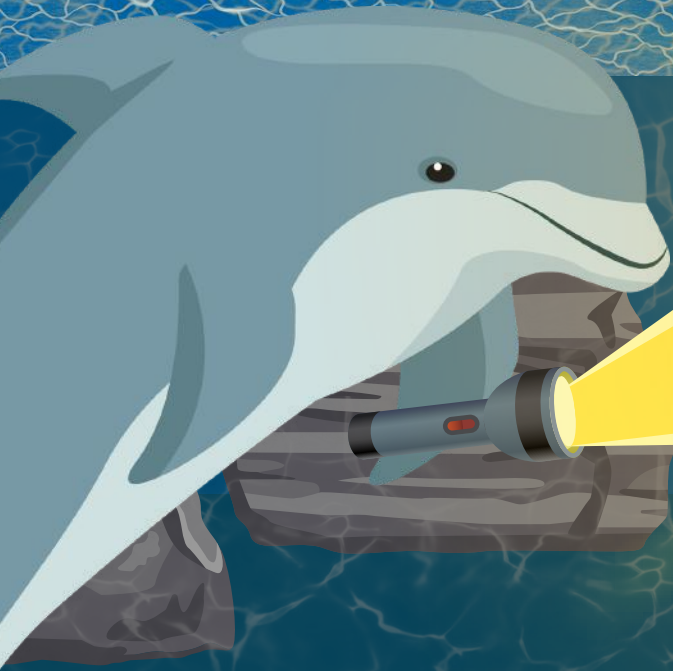
FAMILY PROGRAMS

- Homeschool Hangouts – New themes each session!
- ♥ Pre-K Pod Pals – New themes each session!

PLEASE NOTE: Pre-registration is required for these events and may close before the scheduled event. A minimum number of participants is needed per session; if the minimum is not met, we will reschedule or issue a full refund.

NIGHT AT THE AQUARIUM

KATE TIEDEMANN & ELLEN COTTON
MAIN POOL AND WINDOW OF WONDER



Join us for a night of fun and learning, where the aquarium comes to life with captivating stories and hands-on activities designed to ignite curiosity and inspire a love for the ocean. This special event invites kids ages 5-10 to explore the wonders of the Clearwater Marine Aquarium like never before!

**THE ADVENTURE STARTS AFTER DARK!
REGISTER AT CMAQUARIUM.ORG**

AGES: 5-10 years old

PRICE: \$20 per child

DATES:

November 23, 2026

December 21, 2026

January 16, 2027

February 14, 2027

March 19, 2027

May 29, 2027

TIME: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

PLEASE NOTE: Pre-registration is required and closes 48 hours before each event. A minimum number of participants is required for each session. If the minimum is not met, the session will be rescheduled or participants will receive a full refund. This is a drop-off program for children ages 5-10 only.

CAREER EXPLORATION



Ever wondered what it takes to work at an aquarium? Explore the many career paths that make Clearwater Marine Aquarium a leader in marine animal rescue, rehabilitation, research, conservation, and education! Get an inside look at aquarium careers as you meet CMA professionals, participate in hands-on activities, and explore behind the scenes. Learn about the diverse teams that help make our mission possible, including research, education, and animal husbandry.



DATES:

November 25, 2026

December 29, 2026

March 18, 2027

AGES:

Current 7th–12th grade students

PRICE:

\$50 per child

TIME:

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**READY TO EXPLORE
YOUR FUTURE?
REGISTER TODAY AT
CMAQUARIUM.ORG**

PLEASE NOTE: Pre-registration is required and closes 48 hours before each event. A minimum number of participants is required for each session. If the minimum is not met, the session will be rescheduled or participants will receive a full refund. This is a drop-off program for students currently in 7th–12th grade only.

PRE-K POD PALS



Join us for Pre-K Pod Pals, a fun-filled morning at Clearwater Marine Aquarium designed especially for curious little learners and their grown-ups! Each session features engaging classroom activities inspired by Florida's Pre-Kindergarten Standards, interactive games, and exciting animal facts centered around our animal of the month.

AGES: 3–5 years old with an adult

PRICE: \$10 per child; \$5 per adult

DATES: The first Tuesday of each month from March through August

TIME: 10:30 am to 11:00 am

BIG ADVENTURES START WITH LITTLE LEARNERS!
JOIN THE POD & REGISTER NOW AT CMAQUARIUM.ORG

Pre-registration is required and closes 48 hours before each event. Each attending child must be accompanied by at least one paid adult throughout the program and while on Clearwater Marine Aquarium property. One adult may supervise multiple children, including siblings or friends. A minimum number of participants is required for each session. If the minimum is not met, the session will be rescheduled or participants will receive a full refund. General admission is not included or required to participate.

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUTS

LOOKING FOR A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE FOR YOUR HOMESCHOOLING FAMILY?

Join us for Homeschool Hangouts, where learning comes to life! On select dates throughout the school year, homeschool students and their families can choose from engaging classroom programs, exciting boat excursions, or combine both for a full day of marine discovery. Explore marine science, learn about incredible animals, and experience the wonders of Clearwater Bay while connecting with other homeschool families.



SEPTEMBER

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2026

ALL ABOUT MARINE BIOLOGY

CLASSROOM PROGRAM: Dive into Marine Biology 101 with hands-on exploration of fascinating biofacts and live invertebrates.

BOAT PROGRAM: Hop aboard the 60-minute Eco Ed-Ventures Boat Tour to explore Clearwater Bay and observe wildlife in the estuary.



FEBRUARY

11
2027

MARINE MAMMAL MANIA

CLASSROOM PROGRAM: Explore Make Way for Manatees and learn about these gentle giants and the conservation efforts working to protect them.

BOAT PROGRAM: Set off on a 60-minute Dolphin & Wildlife Tour through Clearwater Bay while learning about local dolphins and seasonal wildlife.



MAY

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2027

TIDES & TURTLES

CLASSROOM PROGRAM: Dive into Terrific Turtles to discover unique turtle adaptations and learn about CMA's Russian tortoise ambassador.

BOAT PROGRAM: See how CMA studies the local estuary aboard our Sea Life Safari Eco-Tour, where you'll explore Clearwater Bay and its inhabitants!

MAKE A SPLASH WITH YOUR HOMESCHOOL CREW!
REGISTER AT CMAQUARIUM.ORG

PLEASE NOTE: Pre-registration is required and closes 48 hours before the event. Each attending child must be accompanied by at least one paid adult throughout each program and while on Clearwater Marine Aquarium property. One adult can supervise multiple children, including siblings or friends. We require a minimum number of participants per session and will reschedule or process a full refund if the minimum is not met. The boat tour will run rain or shine. However, if severe weather arises, such as heavy rain, fog that limits the Captain's visibility, unsafe water conditions, or lightning in the area, the trip may be cancelled or return early.



**JUNE 7 - AUGUST 13, 2027 · WEEKLY HALF & FULL DAY CAMPS
AGES 5-18 · SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**

Get ready for an unforgettable summer filled with marine science, adventure, and hands-on learning! Campers will snorkel through seagrass beds, kayak across coastal estuaries, explore the world of marine animals, and learn about the rescue and rehabilitation work happening at Clearwater Marine Aquarium. With exciting weekly themes and experiences designed for ages 5–18, there's an adventure waiting for every young ocean explorer. Explore, discover, and create lasting summer memories—your adventure starts here!

READY FOR YOUR SUMMER ADVENTURE?
VISIT WWW.CMAQUARIUM.ORG/EXPERIENCE/EDUCATIONAL-KIDS-CAMPS TO LEARN MORE!

KAYAKING ADVENTURE



Paddle into adventure with a CMA marine biologist as your guide through Clearwater's local waterways! Along the way, discover fascinating wildlife, explore coastal ecosystems, and learn more about the incredible environment around you. We provide kayaks, paddles, life jackets, and expert guides—just bring your own closed-toe water shoes and towel. Choose from single or tandem kayaks, with a maximum of 15 participants per session. Participants must be at least 7 years old to participate.

PRICE

\$45
/person

DURATION

2
hours

AVAILABLE

SEASONALLY

Contingent upon weather conditions

MORE INFORMATION:



[www.cmaquarium.org/experiences/
guided-kayak-tours/](http://www.cmaquarium.org/experiences/guided-kayak-tours/)

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