Environmental Education & Action Programs

Student Summits

Student Summits provide public and private middle schools (grades 5-8) *free* opportunities to participate in an educational field trip designed to meet core curriculum standards and reinforce STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) concepts, as well as support classroom education programs.

Student Summits turn a class trip into a **Seaside Symposium**, providing a unique, educational program combining peer-to-peer learning with outdoor experiences. Expanding learning beyond the classroom, Student Summits offer interactive, hands-on marine environmental education at the Jersey shore that students and teachers will always remember.



- Spring Student Summit: annually in May at Gateway National Recreation Area - Sandy Hook for schools from central and northern NJ counties
- Fall Student Summit: annually in October at Island Beach State Park for schools from southern NJ counties
- Cape May Student Summit: annually in October for schools from southernmost NJ counties



S.E.A.L. Program

Student Environmental Advocates & Leaders

High school students from throughout Monmouth County are eligible for this *free* and unique leadership program.



Through collaborating with peers who share similar passions, SEAL students identify and implement environmental projects in their own communities to help solve an environmental issue of their choosing.

As their projects progress, the SEAL students help pass-on their leadership and success to the community through presentations and engagement to middle schools and town councils.



The SEAL program is a direct way for high school students to receive key leadership and advocacy experience and sharpen their outreach and communication skills. SEAL students will have the opportunity to expand their networks by engaging with a variety of exciting guest speakers and forming meaningful connections with likeminded peers.

Educational Presentations

Clean Ocean Action offers informative environmental education presentations about ocean pollution issues. All presentations are tailored to the age and size of the audience and can also be offered virtually. A standard Clean Ocean Action presentation will cover: COA's history and successes, current ocean threats, nonpoint source or "pointless" pollution, watershed mindfulness, marine debris, solutions to ocean pollution, and ways to get involved to help protect the ocean.

Cost: Presentation Donation COA generally asks for a \$150 presentation donation for a 50-minute presentation plus reimbursement for travel.



Seaside Environmental Academy (SEA)

Looking for an educational hands-on experience with the marine environment that that is captivating and downright fun? **The Seaside Environmental Academy** offers programs for all ages in the environs of NJ's Sandy Hook Park. Whether its catch & release of bay creatures, learning about shells on the sandy beaches, even touching upon lighthouse history, encounter our place in nature. Contact: 732-796-5464 or email: KConnellv@cleanoceanaction.org.



your volunteering to the beach! Join volunteers from various organizations, schools, communities, and businesses as they gather across the New Jersey coast to clean beaches and waterways.

Each participant becomes a citizen scientist for the day by collecting and recording every piece of debris. The data is presented in annual reports, turning a one-day event into a legacy of information that can be used to identify sources of pollution and monitor trends.

Pre-register through COA's website!

Annually in April and October Cost: Free













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