



Beach Teach



A Beach Teach will provide your students with two hours on the beach at La Jolla Shores conducting hands-on activities to help them learn about and observe the ocean and marine life.

Payment should be mailed at least two weeks in advance of your program. Please make checks & purchase orders payable to: **UC Regents. Please include your reference number on your check.** Please send your payment to:

**Education Department
Birch Aquarium at Scripps, UCSD
9500 Gilman Drive, Dept. 0207
La Jolla, CA 92093
Fax: 858-534-5610**

To Cancel your program we must receive a cancellation in writing by either mail or fax. The cancellation form is included in this packet. Due to loss of reservation space, we regret to inform you that **you will be responsible for 20% of the cost of your visit if your reservation is cancelled less than two (2) weeks prior to your program, if you fail to arrive at your scheduled time, or if you do not show up for your scheduled program.**

Preparing for a Beach Teach

Wear comfortable shoes that can get wet (old sneakers or water shoes). A change of shoes is a good idea. (Flip flops and open toed shoes are not recommend)

Bring a sweatshirt or windbreaker and sunscreen.

Remind your students that La Jolla Shores is a reserve and that no animals, sand or kelp may be removed from this beach.

Meet your Birch Aquarium Instructors (in navy blue shirts) 15 minutes prior on the grassy lawn at Kellogg Park, La Jolla Shores by the main lifeguard tower.

Chaperones and parents are encouraged to participate in the activities and to help the students learn and explore.

You have booked a:

Beach Investigation: Using clues found right under your toes to learn about the life surrounding the sandy beach. Dig in the sand to understand how animals use their adaptations to survive this changing environment. Learn about the local kelp forest and its residents. Discover the various types of algae and their unique characteristics that help them survive in the ocean. Understand how sand is made, what it is made of and how it gets to our beaches.

Zonation Station: Animals will create homes on any surface that is available. Visit Scripps pier pilings to learn about how zonation on a pier piling is similar to tide pools. Meet mussels, anemones, snails and crabs and discover how they have made a home together.

Tidepooling: When the tides allow we can visit the tide pools. We will learn about life on the rocky shore and the special adaptations needed to survive in this harsh habitat. We will take a close look at how animals move, camouflage, eat and hold on in the tide pools.

Beach Conditions

If it has rained within 72 hours of the start of your program your class may be cancelled due to safety conditions on the beach. You may check this website www.beachwaterquality.org to learn current beach conditions. On the home page under "Start Here" for number 1 "choose your State/Region" select "CA-San Diego County" and under number 2 select "La Jolla Shores Beach." The resulting page will tell pollution levels and the last water test date. If the beach is posted closed, your program most likely will be cancelled. If your program is cancelled, we will reschedule for the next available date.

We look forward to meeting you at the beach for a fun filled Learning Adventure!





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Please fill out this form completely

Reference number _____

Reason for cancellation:

(In order to better serve our customers, it is important that we understand the reason for your cancellation)

Date of Program: _____

School Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____
