



Sea Life Park Hawaii: Education Department

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Sea Life Park Education

PROGRAM GUIDE

Our Mission

The mission of Sea Life Park's Education Department is to present inspirational educational programs for all ages, build lasting partnerships with local schools, & support our Hawaiian community through land, coastal & marine conservation efforts.

Admission Price per Kama'aina Student:

- 3yrs-12yrs (preK-6th grade): **\$6.00**
- 13-18yrs (7th grade-HS): **\$7.00**
- College+ : **\$10.00**
- For every 10 students one adult is free.
- Additional adults are **\$10.00**

For non-kama'aina schools, please contact:

- sealifeparkhawaii.edu@gmail.com

Programming

Our Education Department offers three core programs for students of all ages; Guided Tours, Education Presentations/Activities and Trainer Talks. We also offer a Self-Guided Tour for schools who prefer to experience the park on their own. Our unique classroom and park environment provides students with hands-on learning focused on conservation, the marine ecosystem, and its inhabitants. It is an extraordinary and interactive way to delve into the science of the sea. Also, if you are interested in having Sea Life Park visit your school or learning community, inquire about our [Outreach Programs](#) and contact our Education Department today! Sea Life Park Education



OUR PROGRAMS



School groups may choose from our programming options. Click the links below for full details. Prefer to have the park come to your school? We have an [Outreach Program](#) available to visit your campus for assemblies, classroom presentations and career fairs. [Reserve today!](#)

Self Guided Tours - Free	Guided Tours - \$65 per group
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SELF GUIDED TOURS



GUIDED TOURS



9:45am: Arrival (restrooms available at 10am)
10:00am: Park Opens - [Daily Schedule](#)
 4:00pm: Park Closes

9:00am: Arrival
 9:15am: Drop off lunches
9:20am: Guided Tours
 10:00am: Park Opens

Student supervision is required. For every 10 students, 1 adult is free. Complimentary curriculum guides and other educational materials are available upon request. Contact our Education Department today! [Sea Life Park Education](#)

Teachers can reserve one of four guided tours with a park member. This first-hand experience and behind the scenes access to the park with our animals will be sure to inspire. Click the link above for more details and [reserve today!](#)
***50 person MAX for each \$65 guided tour.**

NEW! Kahana Kapa at Sea Life Park! \$15 per student

Kapa (or Tapa) is the traditional textile of Ancient Hawaii. It is made by stripping, pounding and fermenting the inner bark of the Wauke tree. Wauke is a Canoe Plant, brought here by the first Hawaiians specifically for it's fiber. Kapa making was a thriving, highly specialized and creative industry in Hawaii until the introduction of Eastern and Western woven materials.

Replaced entirely by imported textiles, the art of Hawaiian Kapa Making was almost lost. A handful of practitioners emerged, and through their research, travel, apprenticeship, and patience Kapa is being practiced again here in Hawaii.

Ke Kula Kapa O Waimānalo has been sharing Kapa making with the residents of Waimanalo and beyond since 2016. This year we are proud to bring this Native Hawaiian Practice to Sea Life Park.

9:00am: Arrival
 9:15am: Drop off lunches
9:15am: Kahana Kapa-Making #1
 10:00am: Park Opens
10:10am: Kahana Kapa-Making #2
11:05am: Kahana Kapa-Making #3

*Workshops will have a staggered 10 student limit

"A cultural practice that embodies Hawaiian values."
 -Kumu Page Puko'a Chang



Education Presentations - \$65 per group

Trainer Talks - \$200 per group



EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS *SeaLife PARK*

9:00am: Arrival
 9:15am: Drop off lunches
9:20am: @Education Classroom
 10:00am: Park Opens

Activities & Presentations by our Education Department offer a variety of land, ocean & marine conservation content for all K-12 students. Click the link above for details & inquire today!
***50 person MAX for each \$65 presentation.**



TRAINER TALKS *SeaLife PARK*

10:25am: Arrival
10:30am: Trainer Talks @Designated Environment
 10:55am: Q&A

Get an up close, interactive experience alongside our trainers and the animals they care for. Trainers will share their unique stories about what it's like to work at Sea Life Park! Click the link above to find out more.
***50 person MAX for each \$200 Trainer Talk.**



GUIDED & SELF GUIDED TOURS



Self-Guided Tours - Free

Groups should arrive no sooner than 9:45am. Students have access to Sea Life Park Hawaii's regularly scheduled shows and events. Curriculum guides and educational materials can be distributed to teachers prior to their visit allowing schools to self-guide through the park, while connecting students with an educational experience. [Sea Life Park Education](#)

Guided Tours - \$65

Choose from the following options of our 40-minute guided tours currently offered at Sea Life Park.

***50 person MAX for each \$65 tour. Multiple tours can be purchased for larger groups exceeding 50.**

Hawai'i Ocean Theater - Pinnipeds: Sea Lions & Monk Seals	Reef Life - Honu, Sharks, Rays & Reef Fish
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HAWAII OCEAN THEATER
PINNIPEDS: SEA LIONS & MONK SEALS

- 9:00am: Arrival - Meet at Ticket Office
- 9:15am: Drop off lunches
- 9:20am: @Hawaii Ocean Theater - Pinnipeds**
- 9:55am: Q&A
- 10:00am: Park Opens



REEF LIFE
HONU'S, SHARKS, RAYS & REEF FISH

- 9:00am: Arrival - Meet at Ticket Office
- 9:15am: Drop off lunches
- 9:20am: @Honu Environment - Reef Life**
- 9:55am: Q&A
- 10:00am: Park Opens

Dolphin Lagoon - Cetaceans: Whales & Dolphins	Seaside Gardens & Nursery - Seabirds & Penguins
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DOLPHIN LAGOON
CETACEANS: WHALES & DOLPHINS

- 9:00am: Arrival - Meet at Ticket Office
- 9:15am: Drop off lunches
- 9:20am: @Dolphin Lagoon - Cetaceans -Whale Watching**
- 9:55am: Q&A
- 10:00am: Park Opens



SEASIDE GARDEN & NURSERY
SEABIRDS & PENGUINS

- 9:00am: Arrival - Meet at Ticket Office
- 9:15am: Drop off lunches
- 9:20am: @Seaside Gardens - Seabirds**
- 9:55am: Q&A
- 10:00am: Park Opens

Limu Lei-Making Tour



BACKSTAGE HAWAIIAN LIMU LEI-MAKING TOUR

- 9:00am: Arrival - Meet at Ticket Office
- 9:15am: Drop off lunches
- 9:20am: @Shark Cave Backstage - Limu Lei-Making Tour**
- 9:55am: Q&A
- 10:00am: Park Opens

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EDUCATION PRESENTATION



Education Presentations - \$65

At Sea Life Park, our mission is to inspire Hawaiian community youth to be conservation-minded and encourage students to discover local solutions to global problems. Each presentation is offered to every grade level and can accommodate all learners through the Next Generation Science Standards, (NGSS) Smarter Balanced Assessment, (SBA) & for our International visitors, we address the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). For more information, please contact our Education Department. [Sea Life Park Education](#)

***50 person MAX for each \$65 presentation. Multiple presentations can be purchased for larger groups exceeding 50.**

Schedule -

- 9:00am: Arrival
- 9:15am: drop of lunches
- 9:20am: Education Presentation @Sea Life Park Classroom**
- 9:55am: Q&A
- 10:00am: Park Opens



RADICAL REEF FISH

What is a swim bladder? Do all fish lay eggs? Radical reef fish can be round, flat, large, small, and full of color. Come investigate what it means to be cold blooded, how reef fish fit in a food web, and how they are all specially adapted to survive in their complex habitat known as the reef!



HONU IN HAWAI'I

Meet or feed one of our Honu and learn about their reptilian characteristics in this fun filled lecture. Students will learn about Hawaiian green sea turtle anatomy, as well as the life cycle of the Honu! (Availability of "meeting Honu" is based on class size and may not be available for larger groups.)



TEETH & MUNCHIES

Teeth differ between a spinner dolphin and a green sea turtle, as well as sperm whales and a tiger shark! Animals may have different shapes and sizes of teeth depending on what they need to eat. Learn about the different kinds of teeth marine animals have, and find out what they eat in order to survive.



SENSATIONAL SEABIRDS

Seabirds aren't just ordinary birds, they have special adaptations that make it possible for them to survive out at sea. Come get to know the many sensational seabirds found in Hawaii, and maybe even spot a few at our seabird sanctuary.



WILD WHALES

During whale watching season, we keep our eyes peeled for Kohola (humpback whales). They are one of the largest species of baleen whales, which are whales with two blow holes! In this class you will learn the differences between toothed and baleen whales including those that are endangered.



SHARKS & RAYS

Sharks and rays are often thought to be scary and mean, but that is not always true! Join us as we explore the differences between sharks and rays, common misconceptions about these amazing animals, how they adapt to their environment, and why they are so important to the ocean ecosystem!



HAWAIIAN TIDE POOLS

Ever wonder how tide pools are created? What about the little animals that live there? Learn all about the invertebrates unique to Hawaii that live in these habitats' and how they are adapted to survive in such harsh living conditions that are constantly changing!



CETACEANS

What is the difference between a dolphin and a porpoise? What about a baleen whale and a toothed whale? Explore what it means to be a Cetacean in this fun class; and learn what these amazing animals use to be great at surviving in the ocean, such as how they use bubbles to trap their food!



ENDANGERED SPECIES

What is the difference between threatened and endangered? These are two terms that can easily be mistaken for the other, but have completely different definitions. Come join us and learn how to differentiate between the two, what they can mean for a population, and what we can do to help those affected.



CORAL REEFS OF HAWAII

Some people say coral is a plant, some say coral is an animal, and others say it is both! Come learn what coral actually is, the kinds of coral you can find on Oahu, the threats coral face, and just how important it is to protect the beautiful reefs here in Hawaii!



SEA STARS & COUSINS

Sea stars, brittle stars, sea urchins, and sea cucumbers are all characterized as ECHINODERMS. Did you know that sea cucumbers can expel their intestines when disturbed and regrow new ones? Find out more in this class and investigate all the extreme adaptations these animals have to protect themselves from predators.



SEALS & SEA LIONS

Let's take a look at two seemingly similar mammals from their slippery flippers to their silly whiskers. This program will enrich students' understanding of the Hawaiian Monk Seal and the California Sea Lions, with an emphasis on their characteristics and differences in anatomy.



MARINE DEBRIS

What is marine debris? Where does it come from and where does it go? This class will focus on the effects of marine debris both on our environment and animals. Marine Debris is a problem we cannot ignore, and students will learn how to make a difference!



FOOD CHAINS

Students will learn about food chains involving sea lions, penguins, sea turtles, and dolphins. Students can learn about the animals at the park and what they eat by viewing regularly scheduled feeds and trainer talks. Concepts such as food webs, trophic levels, producers, and consumers will also be covered.



OCEAN MATTER & ENERGY

Ocean ecosystems are very complex and encompass a wide variety of species. Energy is constantly cycled throughout the ecosystem beginning with the sun and making its way up to the top predators. This class offers insight into how energy is transferred through food chains, and how matter is reused and recycled in our oceans.



DYNAMIC EQUILIBRIUM

Marine ecosystems are constantly changing in response to biotic and abiotic factors. The introduction of invasive species can be detrimental to a marine ecosystem. Learn how the introduction of specific species in Hawaii has caused equilibrium shifts that have changed the marine landscape forever.



HUMAN EFFECTS & OCEANS

Marine organisms are affected by changes within their physical environment. These changes can be the result of natural or human related activities. Most often, human actions which impact marine environments can be prevented. Students will learn the consequences of human effects & interventions in natural marine ecosystems, even when intentions are good.



MARINE CLASSIFICATION

By comparing organisms through physiological, anatomical, molecular, and behavioral assessment; scientists have created the modern classification system in order to categorize organisms. Students will act as scientists by classifying species at our park, while comparing & contrasting each organism.



MARINE ADAPTATIONS

Did you know fish have swim bladders that control their buoyancy, and seabirds have salt glands that filter the salt out of the water they drink? Learn about adaptations which allow marine organisms to survive in their environment.

Curriculum guides and other educational materials can be distributed to the educator prior to their scheduled visit.

Contact our Education Department today! [Sea Life Park Education](#)



TRAINER TALKS



Trainer Talks & Career Talks - \$200 per group

Would you like to know what it is like to be a Marine Mammal Trainer? If so, try out our 30-min trainer talks to learn all about the animals we have here at Sea Life Park Hawaii. A trainer will give your group a presentation on your choice of characteristics of our amazing bottlenose dolphins, penguins, sea lions, sharks, rays, sea turtles, seabirds and more. Listen-up as the trainer instructs the students about animal behaviors and how we train our animals who call Sea Life Park home. All Trainer Talks begin at 10:30am. [Make your reservation today!](#)

Schedule

10:25am: Arrival

10:30am: Trainer Talks @Designated Animal Environment (see below)

10:55am: Q&A



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Outreach Programs -

Our education staff will visit your site and deliver an educational program tailored to the topic you're most interested in; while connecting the material to standards & benchmarks including real world applications. Students will learn about animal characteristics, behaviors, and the importance of conservation.

Community Programs - TBA

Sea Life Park continues to develop their programs and create new ones for our community. Please check back with us soon as we continuously update our programs.

For pricing, special requests, and accommodations please email;

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RESERVATIONS



Ready to make a reservation? Fill out the reservations form below and a member from our Reservations Department will contact you to finalize payment.

Easy as 1-2-3

Step 1: Fill out a Reservations Form



[click here](#)

[Online Reservations Form](#)

Our Education Department is eager to assist in finding the best program for your school.

Step 2: Download a Field Trip Guide



[click here](#)

[2022-23 Field Trip Guide](#)

Everything you'll need to prepare for your visit to the park.

Step 3: We will contact you



[Reservations & Education](#)

Reservations will contact you with an invoice & finalize payment.