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Middle School Summer Science Camp with NOAA

Register soon, only a few spots left!

Washington Sea Grant and NOAA are offering two summer camp opportunities for middle school students in July.

What: NOAA Science Camp is a five day summer camp that introduces students to earth and ocean sciences and science careers through hands-on activities emphasizing solutions to real-world problems. During the week, campers may participate in the following activities:

- Try on scuba diving gear and simulate a dive in a hyperbaric chamber
- Identify different marine mammals by looking at tags and skulls
- Analyze water samples and see how buoys help predict large-scale climate events
- Learn to use marine navigation charts and practice charting skills
- Learn about hazardous substances and respond to a hypothetical spill
- Interact with NOAA scientists.

NEW this year: NOAA Science Camp is partnering with Atlantis STEAM to offer a new two-day NOAA Science Camp Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) mini-session geared to inspire middle school students in the STEM fields through hands-on learning. Workshop attendees will:

- Create a mini-ROV capable of simple tasks
- Learn concepts of buoyancy, thrust and electricity
- Carry out the skills of soldering and piloting an ROV
- Investigate robotics and its real-world applications

- Tour NOAA labs to find out how NOAA engineers build instruments for collecting research data
- Discover the diversity of NOAA careers and opportunities.

When: Camp runs weekdays from 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

- Science Camp has two sessions to choose:
 - o Session I: July 11–15
 - o Session II: July 18–22
- ROV Mini-Session July 25–26

Who: Students entering sixth, seventh or eighth grade in the fall may attend.

Where: NOAA Sandpoint Campus

7600 Sandpoint Way, Seattle, WA 98115

Cost: Science Summer Camp: \$250 plus online registration fee

ROV Mini-Session: \$125 plus online registration fee

Scholarships are available for both

To register go to the website https://wsg.washington.edu/students-teachers/k-12-activities/noaa-science-camp/middle-school/

For more information, contact Washington Sea Grant Education Specialist Maile Sullivan, 206-543-2822 or *noaacamp@uw.edu*.

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