

**Adventure Aquarium** partners with the New Jersey Academy for Aquatic Sciences (NJAAS), which continues its work in outreach, education and conservation research programs. NJAAS continues these fun and enlightening programs on-site at Adventure Aquarium.

**Learning Adventures** are offered weekdays throughout the school year (no classes will be scheduled from December 24-January 2 and on all major holidays). Learning Adventures will take place between the hours of 10:00am and 1:45pm. Each lesson may accommodate groups of up to 30 students and 5 chaperones\* and lasts approximately 30 minutes. The cost per class is \$65.00. Full descriptions of all lessons are available at [www.njaas.org](http://www.njaas.org).

\* Large groups may be split and scheduled separately.

### *PreK-K*

**Animal Wrappers** CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10 Benchmarks: 1C, 4D, 5A, 5D, 5F  
Scales, feathers, and fur, OH MY! This fun program uses live animals and touchable biofacts to help children explore the diversity of “animal wrappers” and how an animal’s covering helps it survive in its environment.

**Beach Blanket Bingo** CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10 Benchmarks: 1C, 4D, 5A, 5D, 5F  
Join us for this hand-on beach exploration, but leave your sun block at home! Meet some beach creatures up-close and personal. Note: This lesson is recommended for groups of 15 students or fewer.

### *Grades K-1*

**Fabulous Fish** CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.1, 5.5, 5.10 Benchmarks: 1C, 5A, 5D  
Dive into the fascinating underwater world of extraordinary and unusual fish, from sea horses to sharks! Come discover why fishy characteristics are so fabulous!

**Penguin Fun!** CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10 Benchmarks: 5A, 5D, 5F  
Have you ever heard of a bird that flies underwater? Or a penguin that comes from Africa? Dip into the remarkable world of our feathered friends from the Southern Hemisphere and discover what makes these birds so special!

### *Grades 2-3*

**What’s Your Habitat?** CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10 Benchmarks: 1C, 5A, 5D, 5F  
From the coral reef to the Australian desert, come investigate some unique habitats and the amazing adaptations of several live animals!

**Life on the Reef!** CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10 Benchmarks: 5A, 5D, 5E, 5F  
Immerse your students in the exciting realm of a coral reef and find out what it takes to form these amazing structures. Discover how reef animals live together and what makes these habitats so delicate and unique!

**No Bones About It!** CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10 Benchmarks: 5A, 5D, 5F  
Without bones, we’d be a big pool of jelly! So how do animals without bones get around? Through some amazing live animals, we’ll see how having no bones can be an advantage (or disadvantage) for survival.

## *Grades 4-6*

### **Sharks!**

CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10

Benchmarks: 5A, 5D, 5F

Do sharks really target small towns and helicopters? Help expose the truth about sharks and find out why they should be respected, not feared. Come discover the incredible diversity of sharks and the amazing characteristics that make these fish the top predators in any ocean!

### **Adaptation Station**

CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10

Benchmarks: 5A, 5D, 5F

Did you know that some turtles have webbed feet? Have you ever wondered if snakes have ears? Catch a glimpse of some live animals and discover the surprising and unique adaptations that allow animals to thrive and survive in their natural habitats!

### **Pollution Perils**

CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10

Benchmarks: 5D, 7C, 7D, 8B, 8D

Trash, garbage, waste, sludge...no matter what you call it, when it winds up in the ocean, bad things happen. We'll look at different types of pollution, how they affect the environment, and explore ways that we can make sure we're not adding to the problem.

## *Grades 7-8*

### **Built for Change**

CCCS: 3.3, 3.4, 5.5, 5.10

Benchmarks: 5A, 5D, 5F

Why didn't the dinosaurs survive while horseshoe crabs and sharks continued to thrive? Compare and contrast animal adaptations and how they allow animals to survive changing environmental conditions.

### **Conservation Connections**

CCCS: 5.2, 5.5, 5.10

Benchmarks: 5A, 5D, 5F

Think Globally, Act Locally. Sounds good, but what does it mean? How can you and your students become involved in conserving wildlife and habitats? Find out in this Learning Adventure session.

## **Tour Programs**

Two different **Tour Programs** are also offered by the NJAAS for groups to enhance their visit with a sneak peek at special areas of the Aquarium.

### **Top of the Ocean Realm Tour      Grades 3-12**

Home to over 1500 animals, our 760,000-gallon Ocean Realm exhibit gives a spectacular view of life under the waves. This 30-minute tour allows you and your students to get a rare glimpse of the top of this exhibit and see our animals up close. Tour price - \$5 per person.

### **Behind-the-Scenes Tour                      Grades 7-College**

Ever wonder how we take care of the thousands of animals at the Aquarium? During this 60-minute tour you will see where we prepare the food, test the water, and how we keep the animals healthy. This special tour will give you a birds-eye view from atop our 760,000 gallon Open Ocean Tank. Tour price - \$8 per person.

Please call Adventure Aquarium's Group Sales Office at 800-616-JAWS (5297) to make a reservation for Learning Adventure lessons or Tours. All fees for tours and lessons are in addition to purchasing admission to Adventure Aquarium.

If you do not see a program that interests you, NJAAS staff would be happy to design a program especially for your class. Please call 856-365-0352 or email [teachers@njaas.org](mailto:teachers@njaas.org) for information regarding this special service.