

Resources for Marine Educators

The principal efforts of the Florida Sea Grant College Program address statewide coastal research, extension/outreach and communications. All of this work can have a bearing on the work of marine educators, notably by providing science-based information about Florida coastal and ocean resources and systems. Although Florida Sea Grant does not have the funds to support a formal program in traditional marine education, we assist educators and students in locating the best and most reliable information. Also, our county extension faculty provide occasional workshops on various marine topics to educators in their area. Refer to the Florida Sea Grant web site for contact information.

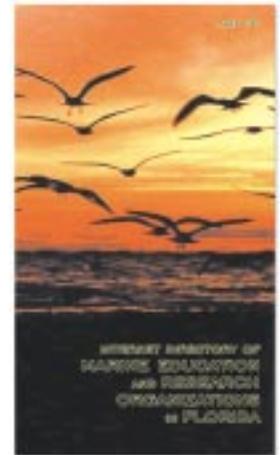
This fact sheet identifies resources for teachers, youth program leaders, students, citizens and the media interested in learning more about Florida, national and global marine subjects. (Note that the version of this sheet on our homepage www.flseagrant.org has links to various websites, including those listed below.)

What's Available in Florida

- Internet Directory of Marine Education and Research Organizations in Florida. Florida Sea Grant offers this directory in both online and print versions. It is a guide to link people to marine and coastal institutions in Florida. See the Faculty, Students and Teachers section of the Florida Sea Grant web site, www.flseagrant.org or write for a free printed copy.

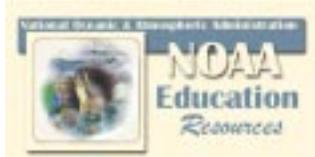


- Florida Marine Science Education Association is a principal umbrella group for professionals with this concern. An annual meeting is held in spring. The FMSEA website is www.fmsea.org. Mailing address is: 1455 Londra Lane, Kissimmee, Florida 34744.
- League of Environmental Educators of Florida. The website is www.leef-florida.org. "LEEFlet" newsletter includes selected websites and description of resource materials. LEEF, P.O. Box 6061, Live Oak, Florida 32064.



What's Available in the National Sea Grant and Other Networks

- Ocean Sciences Education Teacher Resource Center, The Bridge— Contains a wealth of information on marine science education. Website www.vims.edu/bridge has numerous links, also. Mailing address: Sea Grant Marine Advisory Services, Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences, Gloucester Point, Virginia 23062.



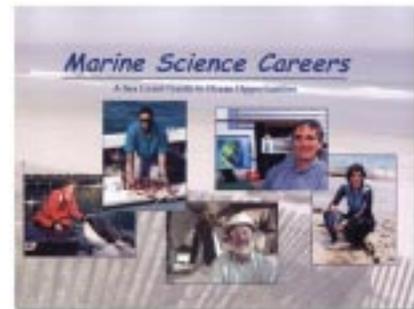
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration — NOAA is the parent agency of the 31 Sea Grant programs in the United States. NOAA's education web site can be found at www.education.noaa.gov. It includes information about weather, the ocean and coasts, satellites, fishes and marine mammals. Mailing address is: Outreach Unit, NOAA Office of Public and Constituent Affairs, 1305 East West Highway, #1W514 Silver Spring, MD 20910, (301) 713-1208.

- See also the NOAA photograph library at www.photolib.noaa.gov, which spans centuries of time and much of the natural world from the center of the Earth to the surface of the sun.



- The National Sea Grant website, linked to numerous NOAA sites and the national Sea Grant network, is located at www.nsgo.seagrants.org.

- The Sea Grant MARINECAREERS.NET is a great place to further your search. See the homepage at www.marinecareers.net. It is based on the publication, "Marine Science Careers," which can be ordered from Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Sea Grant, 193 Oyster Pond Road, Woods Hole, Massachusetts 02543-1525, (508) 289-2665.



- The National Estuary Program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is a place to start learning about estuaries. The website is www.epa.gov/owow/estuaries. Mailing address is: US EPA, 401 M Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20460, (202) 260-6502.



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