

Onsite Programs

7th—12th Grade

Science Discoveries (30 students)

Phyla Facts (6th-12th)

**Live animal encounter*

From sponges to echinoderms, get hands-on experience with a variety of invertebrates through artifact activities, dissections, and live animal investigations.

Science SOLs: LS.4, LS.6, LS.9, LS.13, BIO.1, BIO.4, BIO.6, and BIO.8

Fish Focus: Saltwater Fish of the Chesapeake Bay (1st-7th)

Learn about fish anatomy, adaptations, and sustainability through hands-on activities, dissections, and observation of fish in the exhibit aquariums.

Science SOLs: LS.4, LS.8, LS.9, LS.10, LS.11, and BIO.6

Secret Garden: A Look at Oyster Reefs (4th-7th)

Dissect oysters, examine plankton, and identify oyster reef inhabitants as your students explore life cycles, food webs, and resource management of the Chesapeake Bay.

Science SOLs: LS.1, LS.6, LS.7, LS.8, LS.9, LS.10, LS.11, BIO.1, BIO.8, ES.1, ES.2, and ES.10

Science Discoveries (60 students)

Wandering through Wetlands (4th-9th)

Discover how watersheds work and what role watersheds play in keeping water clean. Students should be prepared to get muddy!

Science SOLs: 5.1, 5.6, 6.1, 6.5, and 6.7

Marine Mysteries (4th-12th)

Interact with unique artifacts as your class solves marine mysteries about adaptations and classification.

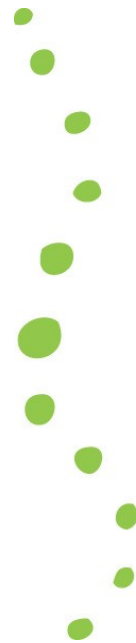
Science SOLs: LS.8, LS.9, LS.11, BIO.7, and BIO.8

Science Discoveries

Pricing per student:

- \$12 Aquarium admission + \$4 program fee

Programs feature demonstrations, interactive discussions, and hands-on activities.



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Live Animal Encounters (30 students)

**Live Animal Encounter*

(PreK-12th)

Get up close and personal with some of our live animals while learning about a topic of your choice: Life Cycles; Adaptations; Compare & Contrast Animal Groups; or Training & Care.



Behind the Scenes Tour (30 participants)

Above & Beyond Behind the Scenes Tour (7th-12th)

**Live animal encounter*

Get a behind the scenes look at our Aquarium on a tour that focuses on animal care, aquarium maintenance, water chemistry, and aquarium careers.

Science SOLs: LS.6, LS.8, LS.9, LS.11, BIO.2, and BIO.8

Behind the Scenes Tour (15 participants)

Water Quality Behind the Scenes (7th-12th)

Collect water samples from Owls Creek and perform field and laboratory tests to measure pH, salinity, turbidity, and bacteria. Learn how our water quality lab maintains healthy aquariums and works with citizen scientists to track their watershed health.

Science SOLs: LS.6, LS.9, LS.11, ES.8, BIO.2, and BIO.8

READY TO BOOK?

Contact Guest Services at (757) 385-FISH or via email at vamscgso@virginiaaquarium.com.

QUESTIONS?

Contact our School & Youth Program Specialist at (757) 385-0275 or via email at rriesbec@virginiaaquarium.com.

Live Animal Encounters

Pricing per student:

- \$12 Aquarium admission + \$4 program fee

Programs feature interactive discussions, hands-on activities, and live animal interaction.

Behind the Scenes Tours

Pricing per student:

- \$12 Aquarium admission + \$120 group program fee

Above and Beyond tours available at 11:30 am on weekdays.

Water Quality tours available after 1:00 p.m. on weekdays.

