

# DISNEY Y.E.S. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION



## “MAKING WAVES WITH A MARINE CAREER”

### LIFE MANAGEMENT

**Grade Levels:**  
9th-12th

**Program Length:**  
2 hours

**Meeting Location:**

Inside *Epcot*® Park, in front of *The Living Seas* at *Nemo's Secret Garden*.

This program is aligned with Florida Sunshine State Standards.

### OBJECTIVE

Enhance students' awareness and knowledge of career opportunities in the marine science field, while showcasing skills needed for a career in the marine profession.

### KEY LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS

#### Marine Mammal Trainer

Students learn about the challenges and rewards of dolphin training.

- Students get an in-depth look into the life of a marine mammal trainer.
- Students understand the educational background and experience needed to work with these fascinating animals.

#### Marine Researcher

Students come to know the important role that research plays in any marine facility.

- Students learn how research helps manage and protect marine species.
- Students learn about the different research programs currently taking place at *The Living Seas*.

#### Life Support and Chemist

Students understand the role chemistry plays in marine life management.

- Students visit *The Living Seas* Life Support facility and learn about the integral role that water quality plays in the health of marine animals.
- Students gain insight into a chemist's daily activities and learn the importance proper water chemistry plays in the health of our animals.

### Aquarist

Students discover that the role of the aquarist is truly diverse.

- Students come to understand the scope of day-to-day responsibilities for the aquarist, including feeding fish, observing behavior, monitoring health, and rehabilitating endangered species.
- Through discussions and demonstrations, students delve into the complexities and rewards of being a professional aquarist.

### Veterinarian

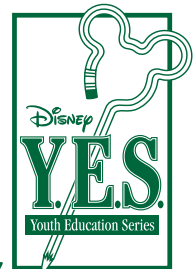
- Marine Veterinary science is a rapidly expanding field. Each day, we learn new innovative methods to care for marine life, and students learn about some of these new methods including the new types of surgery that can now be performed on fish.
- Students also learn about the vital role veterinarians play in the care and health of our animals.

### The Wrap-Up

- Students discover how education plays a vital role the marine conservation field.
- Students learn about the advanced internship program available at *The Living Seas*.

### THE DISNEY DIFFERENCE

- Students get a behind-the-scenes look at the diverse careers necessary to provide excellence in marine animal care.
- The program is designed to spark new directions of thought and inspire students to become conservationists in their own communities.
- Trained and knowledgeable *Epcot*® *Living Seas* Educators and Marine Biologists facilitate this high quality and educationally sound program, while including the fun that is a vital part of learning.



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