



Special Activities Registration Guidelines

Special Activities Program Registration Dates

Please note: Registration begins on the dates listed below. Phone calls will be returned beginning at 8 a.m. on the registration date. Messages left prior to 8 a.m. will be processed in the order in which they are received.

Jan. 2- Registration begins for Spring and Summer (March 1- Labor Day) programs

Feb. 1- Registration begins for Spring "Sleep with the Fishes" programs (March, April, May)

April 1- Registration begins for all Summer Camps

July 1- Registration begins for Fall and Winter (Labor Day- February) programs

Aug. 1- Registration begins for Fall "Sleep with the Fishes" programs (Sept, Oct, Nov)

Nov. 1- Registration begins for Winter "Sleep with the Fishes" programs (Dec, Jan, Feb)

General Information

- Advance registration is required for all Special Activities programs.
- All Special Activities programs require CLOSED-TOE shoes.
- With the exception of sleepover programs, birthday parties and camps, fees do not include admission to the Aquarium. North Carolina Aquarium Society members receive a 10 percent discount on most programs, and free admission.
- All Special Activities programs are subject to cancellation with full refund in case of low participant registration.
- All Special Activities programs have strict age requirements that must be met to ensure the safety of all participants.

Guidelines for Outdoor Adventure Programs

- All programs are subject to cancellation with full refund in case of foul weather.
- All programs require CLOSED-TOE shoes.



- The Aquarium will fully refund program fees if given a 24-hour notice of cancellation. Please call 252-247-4003, ext. 257, if canceling on a weekday; call ext. 225 if canceling on a weekend day.
- Activity fees do not include admission to the Aquarium except where noted.
- Participants wishing to tour the Aquarium should bring a change of shoes/clothes.

Guidelines for Behind-the-Scenes Tours

- CLOSED-TOE shoes required.
- Maximum of 15 participants allowed behind the scenes at one time. For larger groups, multiple programs must be scheduled (when available).
- The Aquarium will fully refund program fees if given a 24-hour notice of cancellation. Please call 252-247-4003, ext. 257, if canceling on a weekday; call ext. 225 if canceling on a weekend day.
- Tour fees do not include admission to the Aquarium.

Guidelines for Birthday Parties

- Birthday parties are available on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday only. Exceptions depend on staffing availability.
- NO BALLONS ALLOWED INSIDE THE FACILITY. AQUARIUM-WIDE POLICY!
- A \$50 deposit is required to reserve a birthday party.
- The Aquarium will fully refund program fees if given a 48-hour notice of cancellation. Please call 252-247-4003, ext. 257, if canceling on a weekday; call ext. 225 if canceling on a weekend day.
- Please plan ahead, as birthday parties are quite popular and space is limited. You may plan your birthday party up to one year in advance.

Guidelines for Sleep with the Fishes Programs

Please note: Registration begins on the dates listed below. Phone calls will be returned beginning at 8 a.m. on the registration date. Messages left prior to 8 a.m. will be processed in the order in which they are received.

- Programs are available Sept. 1-May 31. Consideration may be given to special groups during the summer season.
- Minimum number of participants – 12; maximum number of participants – 35.
- A \$50 deposit is required to reserve a sleepover at the Aquarium.



- The Aquarium will fully refund program fees if given two weeks notice of cancellation. Please call 252-247-4003, ext. 257, if canceling on a weekday; call ext. 225 if canceling on a weekend day.
- The Aquarium schedules “Sleep with the Fishes” programs on a seasonal basis. *Please plan ahead, as “Sleep with the Fishes” programs are quite popular and availability is limited.*

Participants wishing to register for a sleepover should contact the Aquarium:

Nov. 1 - Programs in December, January, February

Feb. 1 – Programs in March, April, May

Aug. 1 – Programs in September, October, November

Guidelines for Camps

Please note: Registration begins on the dates listed. Phone calls will be returned beginning at 8 a.m. on the registration date. Messages left prior to 8 a.m. will be processed in the order in which they are received.

- Due to the high demand for camps, payment in full is due at the time of registration.
- The Aquarium will fully refund program fees if given two weeks notice of cancellation. Please call 252-247-4003, ext. 257, if canceling on a weekday; call ext. 225 if canceling on a weekend day.
- Due to high demand, you may only register your child/children for camp. Each child requires a separate registration form that must be completed at the time of registration.
- Camps are limited to 12 participants per session.
- Once registered, a Camp Confirmation packet will be mailed to each child, to be completed by the parent/guardian prior to the first day of camp. This packet contains all necessary information for your child’s camp experience.