

**GCRL Marine Education Center
DMR Scholarship Requirements
Shark Fest 2011**

I. About the Scholarship:

- The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) will be sponsoring selected individuals to participate in the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory's marine education summer camp, Shark Fest 2011. The Marine Education Center is seeking qualified individuals who sincerely wish to learn about marine sciences and the environment. DMR will provide the cost of the camp. **The Marine Education Center does not provide travel to and from camp.**

II. Applicants must:

- Be willing to participate in activities such as fishing, boating, lab dissections.
- **Sincerely** be interested in a fun, outdoor, marine learning experience.

III. Candidate Selection:

- Candidates will be selected based on criteria listed on the scholarship form.
- There will be a limit on how many times a scholarship may be awarded to an eligible camper. One camper, per summer, for one week. First time campers will be given priority over all returning campers.

IV. Scholarship:

- Complete the scholarship application form.
- Print and fill out scholarship application.

V. Application:

- Complete a Shark Fest 2011 application form for the Marine Education Center. The applications and camp details can be found at: <http://www.usm.edu/gcrl>
- Print and fill out camp application.

VI. Send Application & Scholarship forms:

Mail or fax completed, **signed** application and scholarship form to:

Shark Fest 2011
Marine Education Center
703 East Beach Drive
Ocean Springs, MS. 39564

Fax: (228) 818-8894

All questions should be directed to Leah Gaines at (228) 818-8850.

Scholarship Assistance Application 2011
(To Be Completed by Parent/Guardian)

Camper First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____ Phone _____ Email _____

School _____

Present Grade _____ Birthdate _____ Age _____ ___ Male ___ Female

Parent/Guardians (Please list each parent or guardian who is responsible for camper.)

| <u>Title</u> | <u>First Name</u> | <u>Last Name</u> | <u>Relationship</u> | <u>Contact Number</u> |
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If awarded scholarship, please check the preferred camp session.

_____ May 30 – June 3 (Ages: 15-18)

_____ July 25 – 29 (Ages: 12-14)

I have read and completed this form to the best of my ability and certify that all information included is accurate. I understand that this application will not be reviewed if all information is not completed as requested. A completed 2011 Shark Fest application must also be submitted with the scholarship application.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Scholarship Assistance Application 2011
(To Be Completed by Camper)

All About the Camper

My name is: _____

What is your favorite topic in school and why?

Are you involved in any science related activities now? (school clubs, private lessons or classes, social clubs)

Please describe why you want to attend Shark Fest 2011; attach an extra form if needed.

Please circle the answer that best describes your feeling about the following statements.

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| 1. I can be myself around other people. | <u>Strongly agree</u> agree disagree strongly disagree |
| 2. I can make friends. | <u>Strongly agree</u> agree disagree strongly disagree |
| 3. I can be a leader in the future. | <u>Strongly agree</u> agree disagree strongly disagree |
| 4. I'm an important part of my community. | <u>Strongly agree</u> agree disagree strongly disagree |

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____ Accepted _____ Denied Reason of Denial: _____