

TREKS 4 TOTS SUMMER CAMP 2015

For ages 3½-5

General Information

Treks 4 Tots is a nature camp for children 3½ to 5 years old*. Through this introductory camp experience, children gain self-confidence, social skills and a greater awareness of the world around them. We create a safe learning experience that builds upon a young child's natural curiosity and inspires a life-long stewardship ethic. With a camper to counselor ratio of 4:1, children are assured a safe and rewarding experience that matches their learning styles and developmental stages. Special attention is given to make all children feel welcome and part of the group.

Every session begins with a getting-to-know-you activity, followed by an introduction of the day's schedule and lessons. Then Trekkers head outside for exploration and discovery. After lunch, quieter activities will include walks, crafts, and stories.

Campers should always come prepared to go outside; however, during inclement weather we will focus more on indoor activities.

Camp Hours

Treks meets Monday-Friday from 9am to 3pm. A half-day option is available, mornings only, from 9am to 12pm. **There is no pre-care or after-care available for Treks.**

**All campers must be able to use the rest room independently.*

How to Register

Members' registration begins January 15; non-members' registration opens February 1. Join when you register and take advantage of this valued member benefit, as well as program discounts. Membership must be valid through June 2015 to enjoy discounts.

Visit seacoastsciencecenter.org/programs/day_camp to register today or complete the registration form on the last page and fax, mail, or deliver it to the Center. Demand for Treks is high. Sessions fill quickly and spaces are assigned on a first-come-first-served basis.

Cost

The *Treks* weekly rate is \$275Member/\$300Non-Member. Treks half-day weekly session is \$175Member/\$200Non-Member. All session rates are listed on the registration form.

The Camp Fund

The Center's Camp Fund was created to help give all children the opportunity to attend summer camp. To request financial assistance call Henry at 603-436-8043, ext. 16. If you would like to help more children experience camp, you can add a donation to the Fund when you register or at any time during the year.

Questions?

Please contact Camp Director Henry Burke at h.burke@seacentr.org or 603-436-8043, ext. 16.



TREKS programs are also offered during December, February and April school vacations!

Seacoast Science Center 603-436-8043 www.seacoastsciencecenter.org



SAMPLE SCHEDULE

AM	Individual Activity with Counselor
	Welcome/Walk About
	Morning Snack
	Mini Lesson/ Morning Nature Walk
	Return to SSC/Bathroom
PM	Lunch/Rest Period
	Crafts/Stories
	Afternoon Snack
	Game of the Day

Session 1 The Intertidal Zone

June 22-26

Put on your water shoes and step carefully into the Intertidal Zone. You'll be amazed by the life forms we find on the rocky shore! Creatures with suction cups, stalked eyes and slimy tentacles... But, don't be afraid, they only eat each other!

Session 2 Ocean Potions

June 29-July 3

Scientists design and conduct experiments to better understand the world around them. We'll spend the week conducting our own wild and watery experiments to get to the bottom of some of the ocean's mysteries.

Session 3 Creatures of Our Coasts

July 6-10

How is the east coast of the U.S. similar to the west coast? How is it different? We'll spend plenty of time exploring our own tide pools, and then investigate whether there are similar creatures and seaweeds across the country, as well as on other coasts around the world.

Session 4 Eco-Mania!

July 13-17

What can you do to help our planet and its ocean stay healthy? Come find out! We'll get hands-on with 'green' projects, such as constructing solar ovens, making recycled paper, and other fun projects. Campers will work on 'eco-skits' with their group and at the end of the week we'll put on a show, parents and friends invited!

Session 5 All Along the Rocky Shore

July 20-24

"There must be some way out of here, said the hermit crab to its shell...." The tide is low and it is time to get out into the tide pools to see what we can find. We'll search for crabs, sea stars, nudibranchs and other creatures. Discover some amazing adaptations, from camouflage to stinging tentacles, and find out how a hermit crab gets relief when its living quarters are cramped.

Session 6 Work on and Under the Sea

July 27-31

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to work on a lobster boat or a nuclear submarine? Come find out! Special guests will visit during the week and give us the opportunity to get hands-on with all sorts of cool gear, such as SCUBA gear, fishing tackle, radar and sonar equipment and more. We'll even construct some gear ourselves!

Session 7 Oceans Alive!

August 3-7

Dive into a week of fun learning about marine creatures. From the largest creature on earth, the blue whale, to microscopic plankton, we'll investigate the incredible diversity of the world's ocean and learn how climate change is effecting creatures of the sea.

Session 8 Art in Nature

August 10-14

The natural world is filled with wonderful patterns, shapes, colors and designs. We'll explore and uncover some of nature's artwork. We'll also create some amazing art ourselves, and be visited by guest artists who will teach us their craft. Each day take home a masterpiece, inspired by nature!

Session 9 Coastal Connections

August 17-21

We'll trek through time to learn about our connections to the coast! Discover how Native Americans and early settlers used the land around the seacoast. We'll explore the Park for possible sources of food and shelter used long ago. We'll hear tales of sailors and PIRATES and investigate Odiorne's WWI history and fortifications.

Session 10 Best of Summer 2015

August 24-28

Our counselors will choose from our campers' favorite topics and activities from the summer for this week. We may go tide pooling, conduct science experiments, hear pirate tales, build forts, and more! Come celebrate summer's end with fun, games and activities. This is a session you don't want to miss!

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How to Register

NEW! Online Registration

Register online at the Programs, Environmental Day Camps page of the Center's website at

www.seacoastsciencecenter.org/programs/day_camp.php

Registration Form

Please complete one form per child and either FAX it to 603-433-2235 (call 603-436-8043 to confirm receipt) or mail or deliver it to

Seacoast Science Center, 570 Ocean Blvd., Rye, NH 03870

Please copy of your registration form(s) for your records.

Confirmation

You will receive a confirmation packet by email; the packet, which contains guidelines and medical health forms, is also available on the Programs, Environmental Day Camps page of the Center's website. The physician's health form requires a signature from your child's doctor. We must have a current, signed, completed health form two weeks prior to your child's first day of camp or your child cannot attend. If the session you requested is full, you will be contacted and may opt for another session or be wait-listed.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations made prior to two weeks before your child's camp session begins will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be given after that time.

TREKS 4 TOTS REGISTRATION FORM 2015

FOR OFFICE USE
init. date
rec'd by: _____
time: _____

Trekker name: _____ Sex: M or F
first last

Trekker age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Trekker is (circle one) New Returning

Parent/guardian name: _____
first last

Street address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____
day evening

PLEASE CHECK SESSION CHOICES AND CIRCLE HALF DAY OR FULL DAY PRICE

TREKS TOTALS

	Member/Non-Member	Cost	Full Day	Half Day
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 1	6/22-6/26	The Intertidal Zone	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 2	6/29-7/3	Ocean Potions	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 3	7/6-7/10	Creatures of Our Coasts	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 4	7/13-7/17	Eco-Mania!	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 5	7/20-7/24	All Along the Rocky Shore	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 6	7/27-7/31	Work on and Under the Sea	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 7	8/3-8/7	Oceans Alive!	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 8	8/10-8/14	Art in Nature	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 9	8/17-8/21	Coastal Connections	\$275/300	\$175/200
<input type="checkbox"/> Session 10	8/24-8/28	Best of Summer 2015	\$275/300	\$175/200

___ full day sessions X \$275/300 = \$ _____
 ___ half day sessions X \$175/200 = \$ _____
 Subtotal = \$ _____
CAMP TOTAL = \$ _____
 SSC Family Membership (\$80) + \$ _____
 Donation to the Tot Fund + \$ _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$ _____

We are members under this name: _____ Membership expires: _____

Payment method: Check Visa MC Discover AMEX Cardholder's name: _____

Card No. _____ CVVCode _____ Exp. date _____ Signature _____