



To: CReSIS Middle School Participants
From: Dr. Darnell Johnson, Program Coordinator
Rea: VA Aquarium & Marine Science Center Field Trip
Date: June 21, 2013

The agenda for the VA Aquarium & Marine Science Center field trip will be as follows:
Department from the rear of Lane Hall on the ECSU campus at 7:30 am
Arrive at the Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center on 717 General Booth Boulevard in Virginia Beach, VA at 9:00 am

9:00 am Tour the Aquarium
11:00 am Dolphin Watch Boat Trip
12:45 am LUNCH
2:15 pm IMAX Theater
3:30 pm Depart for ECSU
5:00 pm Return to Lester Hall on ECSU campus



Virginia Aquarium SHARKS 3D is a documentary with a strong conservation message to rehabilitate the sharks public image and help stop the declining shark populations throughout the world. SHARKS 3D will show them as they actually are: not wicked and man-hungry creatures but wild animals that happen to be the most elaborate predators on Earth. <http://www.vmsm.com>. introduce you to this special ecosystem and some of its inhabitants.



Dolphin Watching Boat Trips

Observe bottlenose dolphins in their natural habitat aboard the the beautiful 65-foot *Rudee Flipper* . Learn about dolphin social behaviors and the latest research studies. The 90-minute boat trips run throughout the day. Dolphin Watch trips leave from the Virginia Beach Fishing Center at Rudee Inlet.



IMAX Theater

Through the magic of IMAX 3D technology, audiences will be transported below the ocean surface to swim with some of the planet's most unique, dangerous and colorful creatures. From the unusual Wolf Eel to the Giant Pacific Octopus *Deep Sea 3D* brings moviegoers face to face with these underwater inhabitants to witness their peculiar and amazing behavior as they rely on one another for survival. The film is directed by world-renowned underwater cinematographer, Howard Hall, produced by Toni Myers and Michele Hall, executive produced by Graeme Ferguson and narrated by Johnny Depp and Kate Winslet, with an original score by Danny Elfman. For more information on this movie please see <http://www.imax.com/deepsea>

Field Trip Staff

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Please call **335-3696** should you have questions regarding this field trip.