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## **Programs for Home-Schooled Kids on Oct 1 at Maritime Aquarium**

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Home-schooled kids can take an educational "dive" into the marine world through discounted admission and grade-appropriate programs Friday, Oct. 1 at The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk.

— *an announcement from* [The Maritime Aquarium](#)

“Homeschool Day” makes available to homeschool students many of the educational classroom programs regularly presented to traditional school groups by Aquarium educators.

Options on Oct. 1 include story times for preschoolers and a selection of classroom programs for kids in all grades, from K-12.

“You shouldn’t have to be enrolled in a formal school setting to have access to the unique educational programs of The Maritime Aquarium, so we’re happy to offer this special day and these unique learning opportunities to the homeschooling parents and students in the tri-state area,” said Tom Naiman, the Aquarium’s vice president of education.

Nine drop-off-style programs include: a “Shark Safari” program and a “Similarities & Differences” animal-adaptations program for ages 4 and up; a squid dissection and examinations of marine animals using microscopes for ages 7 and up; and a careers tour and an ocean advocacy program for ages 10 and up.

***If You're Signing Up ...***

With advance registration, discounted Aquarium admission for “Homeschool Day” participants is \$19 for children (ages 3-12), \$24 for adults, and \$23 for seniors (65+). Tickets include the choice of a 4D movie: “Shark: A 4D Experience” or “Ice Age: No Time for Nuts 4D.”

The cost of any optional classroom programs varies from \$5 to \$10 per student. (Story times for preschoolers — at 10:15 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. — are free and require a parent or caregiver to be present.) Spaces in the programs are limited, so advance registration is required.

The deadline for admission and program registration is 5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29.

Get details about all of the “Homeschool Day” offerings — and register — [here](#).