# **DOLPHIN RESEARCH CENTER**

# Distance Learning: Summer and the Secret World of Dolphins

What is life like for a dolphin? How do they catch their food? Swim into the wonderful world of dolphins with Summer, a spotted dolphin, and learn about life as a dolphin!

Grade Levels: K-2; 3-5

#### **Program Description:**

What is life like for a dolphin? How do they catch their food? Swim into the wonderful world of dolphins with Summer, a spotted dolphin. Learn about their lives and what it is like to hunt as a dolphin. Grades K-2 will focus on what animals like dolphins need to survive, while students grades 3-5 can focus on food chains. At the end students have the opportunity to ask a dolphin expert questions about dolphins while also learning how they can lessen their impact on the marine environment. All studio-based distance learning programs include a live instructor interaction with video clips from all around our beautiful Florida Keys facility.

## **Concepts Addressed:**

- All Grades:
  - o Students will learn about the different ways that dolphins hunt for their food.
  - o Students will get to hear about some of the threats that face dolphins and things that they can do to help them and other marine creatures.
- K-2
  - o Students will learn what dolphins and other animals need to survive.
- 3-5
  - o Students can learn about food chains and where dolphins are in the food chain.

#### **Program Format:**

- This is a studio based program. Students will be able to interact with an educator in our studio as well as see pre-recorded video from around our facility.
- Students will get the chance to "meet" Summer, a rescued spotted dolphin and a member of the Dolphin Research Center family.
- With the help of Summer, her trainer Noelle, and a Dolphin Research Center educator students will either: investigate the needs of animals or learn about where dolphins are in the food chain.
- Students will learn about marine debris and what they can do to help protect wild dolphins.
- Students will have the opportunity to ask a dolphin expert questions.

## **Program Logistics**

**Program Length:** K-2: 30- 45 minutes 3-5: 45-60 minutes

Minimum # of participants: 1



**Maximum # of participants:** For groups over 100 please contact us

**Program Cost:** \$95.00 (CILC premium members: \$85) \*Discounts may be available for bulk programming.

**Program Fee Notes:** Payment of associated fees must be received 72 hours before the program date. If payment is not received by this time the program is subject to cancellation.

Cancellation Policy: We will not charge for programs canceled due to nature i.e. snow days. The full fee will be charged to sites which cancel with less than 48 hours notice. Payment is due 72 hours before the program. If payment is not received by this time the program is subject to cancellation. Dolphin Research Center reserves the right to cancel programs at anytime. If Dolphin Research Center cancels a program than it will contact the requester to discuss rescheduling options. If a program does not occur because of an error in communication between the requester and Dolphin Research Center, requesters will still be changed the full price of the programs. Sites need to participate in a tech run with Dolphin Research Center staff members. This will be scheduled to occur prior to your program date. If the tech run does not occur the full fee will be charged to sites that cannot connect at program time.

**Program Delivery Mode:** Google Hangouts, ZOOM, CILC One-Click-Connect (for H323)

Recording of any type during a Dolphin Research Center distance learning program is prohibited.

#### **Standards**

#### Florida

## Florida Next Generation Science Standards met or supported:

- **SC.1.L.17.1** Through observation, recognize that all plants and animals, including humans, need the basic necessities of air, water, food, and space.
- **SC.2.L.17.1** Compare and contrast the basic needs that all living things, including humans, have for survival.
- **SC.2.L.17.2** Recognize and explain that living things are found all over Earth, but each is only able to live in habitats that meet its basic needs.
- SC.3.L.17.2 Recognize that plants use energy from the Sun, air, and water to make their own food.
- **SC.4.L.17.2** Explain that animals, including humans, cannot make their own food and that when animals eat plants or other animals, the energy stored in the food source is passed to them.
- **SC.4.L.17.3** Trace the flow of energy from the Sun as it is transferred along the food chain through the producers to the consumers.
- SC.4.L.17.4 Recognize ways plants and animals, including humans, can impact the environment.
- **SC.5.L.15.1** Describe how, when the environment changes, differences between individuals allow some plants and animals to survive and reproduce while others die or move to new locations.

#### Language Arts Florida Standards met or supported:

- LAFS.1.SL.1.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 1 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups. A. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
  B. Build on others' talk in conversations by responding to the comments of others through multiple exchanges. C. Ask questions
- LAFS.2.SL.1.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 2 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups. A. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion). B. Build on others' talk in conversations by linking their comments to the remarks of others. C. Ask for clarification and further explanation as needed about the topics and texts under discussion.
- LAFS.3.SL.1.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 *topics and texts*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. A. Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion. B. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion). C. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others. D. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
- LAFS.4.SL.1.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. A. Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion. B. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles. C. Pose and

- respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others. D. Review the key ideas expressed and explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
- LAFS.5.SL.1.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grade 5 topics and texts*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. A. Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion. B. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles. C. Pose and respond to specific questions by making comments that contribute to the discussion and elaborate on the remarks of others. D. Review the key ideas expressed and draw conclusions in light of information and knowledge gained from the discussions.

#### National

## **Next Generation Science Standards met or supported:**

- 3-LS2-1. Construct an argument that some animals form groups that help members survive.
- 3-LS3-2. Use evidence to support the explanation that traits can be influenced by the environment.
- **5-PS3-1.** Use models to describe that energy in animals' food (used for body repair, growth, motion, and to maintain body warmth) was once energy from the sun.
- **5-LS2-1.** Develop a model to describe the movement of matter among plants, animals, decomposers, and the environment.
- **5-ESS3-1.** Obtain and combine information about ways individual communities use science ideas to protect the Earth's resources and environment.

#### **Common Core for English Language Arts met or supported:**

- CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 1 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups. A. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion). B. Build on others' talk in conversations by responding to the comments of others through multiple exchanges. C. Ask questions to clear up any confusion about the topics and texts under discussion.
- CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.1 Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 2 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups. A. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion). B. Build on others' talk in conversations by linking their comments to the remarks of others. C. Ask for clarification and further explanation as needed about the topics and texts under discussion.
- CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.3.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. A. Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion. B. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful

- ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion). C. Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others. D. Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
- CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.5.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grade 5 topics and texts*, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly. A. Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion. B. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles. C. Pose and respond to specific questions by making comments that contribute to the discussion and elaborate on the remarks of others. D. Review the key ideas expressed and draw conclusions in light of information and knowledge gained from the discussions.

## **Ocean Literacy Principles**

- **5A** Ocean life ranges in size from the smallest living things, microbes, to the largest animal on Earth, blue whales.
- **5D** Ocean biology provides many unique examples of life cycles, adaptations, and important relationships among organisms (symbiosis, predator-prey dynamics, and energy transfer) that do not occur on land.
- **6D** Humans affect the ocean in a variety of ways. Laws, regulations, and resource management affect what is taken out and put into the ocean. Human development and activity leads to pollution (point source, nonpoint source, and noise pollution), changes to ocean chemistry (ocean acidification), and physical modifications (changes to beaches, shores, and rivers). In addition, humans have removed most of the large vertebrates from the ocean.
- **6G** Everyone is responsible for caring for the ocean. The ocean sustains life on Earth and humans must live in ways that sustain the ocean. Individual and collective actions are needed to effectively manage ocean resources for all.

#### **Recommended Materials and Preparation**

● Dolphin Research Center educators may choose to ask your students to participate in Think-Pair-Share type activities. Please assign your students into pairs before the program just in case.