

NOAA's TEACHER AT SEA PROGRAM
Form A: Participant's Application

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Name: _____ Date of Application _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Name of School: _____

School Address: _____

Work Phone: _____ Citizenship: _____

Sex: Female Male Have you applied previously? No Yes

Age: 21-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70-79 80-89 90-99 Over 99

E-Mail: _____

What subjects and grades do you currently teach?

What subjects and grades are you likely to teach next year?

What leadership roles have you held in education?

On a separate piece of paper attached to this application, please address the following:

1. NOAA's primary interest in this program is the way in which teachers will incorporate the experience into their classroom activities and help others do the same. How will you use this experience to benefit your students and colleagues? (Note: This is the most important selection criteria.)
2. Describe your experience with and ability writing your own classroom activities. Be specific and offer examples.
3. What type of project would you prefer to join? Explain the reasoning behind your choice.
4. Discuss your ability to adapt to the physical and personal demands of life onboard a ship.

SELECTING A CRUISE: Form A: Participant's Application (continued)

The research projects undertaken by each NOAA vessel are available on the Internet at <http://teacheratsea.noaa.gov>. Please check the Web site for cruise options. Due to homeland security, the ship schedules are no longer available to the public; therefore you cannot select a cruise specifically. By filling in the following parameters, you will be matched with a cruise that best fits your interests. Since placement is based upon ships' bunk space availability, the more flexible you are, the more likely you will be placed. If you are flexible, respond to the question with "N/A." However, you must list the exact dates of your availability.

A) Please list below **ALL** the dates that you would be available to participate on a cruise. Available Dates:

B) Nature of the research conducted that you are most interested in:

C) Do you have a preference as to where the ship operates? Preferred Ports/Area:

D) How long are you comfortable being away at sea? Some cruises last over a month. Preferred length of cruise:

Completed application packets must be **received by January 31, 2007**.

Send completed applications to: NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program, Office of Marine and Aviation Operations, 8403 Colesville Road, Suite 500, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Include Form A with the attached sheet, and Forms B and C in their sealed envelopes. Please note that you cannot be selected for the program until your medical history form has been approved by the NOAA Medical Officer.

Placements will be made approximately two months prior to the sailing date.

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