

NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program Form A: Participant's Application

OMB Control #0648-0283; Expires 6/30/2010

Name: _____

Date of Application: _____

Home Address 1: _____

Home Address 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Name of School: _____

School Address 1: _____

School Address 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Citizenship: _____

Sex: Female Male

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

Have you applied previously? No Yes If yes, please list all years: _____

E-mail (required for notification): _____

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. Please be specific and offer examples.
3. What type of project would you prefer to join? Please explain the reasoning behind your choice.
4. Discuss your ability to adapt to the physical and personal demands of life onboard a ship.

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Due to homeland security concerns, NOAA 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 postmarked by December 31, 2009.

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO: NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program, 1315 East West Hwy, Division F/Room 14249, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Include Form D with Form A, and Forms B and C in their sealed envelopes.

Selection and Notification

Applications will be reviewed by the NOAA Teacher at Sea Selection Committee. After review, applicants will be notified via e-mail of the Committee's selections.

Participant placements will be made approximately 1 to 2 months prior to the sailing date.

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NOAA conducts the Teacher at Sea Program in order to promote oceanographic and related education. The information obtained from the application will be used to select the teachers who will be accepted for participation in the program, and an application is required for acceptance. The information submitted on this form will not be treated confidentially. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program, 1315 East West Hwy, Division F, Silver Spring, MD 20910

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