

# Outreach Program for Early Learners



## We make science come alive for your students!

The Seacoast Science Center can bring unique nature programs right to your classroom! Whether you choose a program to kick-off or enhance your lesson, or you would like to add an exciting special event to your schedule, your students are ensured a memorable experience that sparks their curiosity about the world around them. Our early childhood naturalists actively engage children in hands-on discovery through activities, stories, and crafts to reinforce learning.

### Raspberry the Box Turtle

This program is a favorite! Box turtles have a carapace with a hinged bottom, allowing them to draw their body inside and “close the door!” But Raspberry is bright, alert and loves to open his shell and walk around for children to observe.

### Coastal Critters

How does a sea star eat? Where do urchins live? How do crabs crawl? Why do snails have “trap doors?” During this program, children will observe and touch several different intertidal animals. Games, activities and role-playing will reinforce learning.

### The North American Lobster

Lobster are mysterious looking creatures that live on the ocean floor. Once you learn about them, they are not so scary! In this program children will learn how lobsters move, how they use their big claws to eat, how they protect themselves and how fishermen catch them.

### All About Whales

How big do whales get? What kinds of whales live near us? Why do some whales have teeth and others have baleen? All About Whales teaches children about these enormous, fascinating marine mammals. Hear the life story of Tofu, a young humpback whale who lived right here in the Gulf of Maine. Students will participate in hands-on activities, including testing the effects of a blubber-glove and touching real whale bones.

### Save a Seal

Seals come on to the beach to rest and soak up the sun. Yet, what happens when a seal is in distress and in need of rescue? Students will learn all about the common species of the Gulf of Maine, find out how our Marine Mammal Rescue Team responds to seals on the beach, and perform a mock rescue. Student will earn a “seal of approval” after learning how to protect marine mammals.

### Program Cost:

Programs are 1 hour, for a classroom-size group (up to 25 students), and cost \$150 plus mileage. Two 1/2 hour programs may be offered if you prefer to have your students in smaller group sizes. A discount will be applied if you schedule multiple programs; please inquire.

**To Schedule Your Program:** Contact Emma at 603-436-8043, ext. 17 or email [registrar@sscnh.org](mailto:registrar@sscnh.org)



 Indicates live animal program.