



CCMI Marine Ecology Course Scholarship Application 2020

Apply for your class to receive a scholarship to attend a residential Marine Ecology Course in Little Cayman with the Central Caribbean Marine Institute.



What is the Marine Ecology Course at CCMI?

Since 2009, more than 600 primary school students across the Cayman Islands have participated in this immersive three-day, two-night field trip to Little Cayman. Course participants get a chance to live at the Little Cayman Research Centre and learn more about the oceans first-hand! During their stay, the students enjoy a range of activities, including snorkeling, marine species identification, beach cleanups, a field trip to the National Trust and the Booby Pond, guided iguana tours, and biking. Students learn about current research projects, experience lionfish dissections, and much more!

Thanks to the BODA Trust, two classes from government primary schools will be selected to receive this experience at no cost to them. To determine which classes are selected, CCMI is requesting applications for the available scholarships, inviting classes from years 5 and 6 at the government schools to participate.

How to enter?

Teachers who wish to have their classes considered for a class scholarship to attend the all-expense paid three-day long Marine Ecology Course (MEC) should submit the following:

1. Application form (next page)
2. Paragraph* explaining why their class should be selected for this experience. This may include what it would mean to the students, how the experience will benefit the class, what students will gain from participating in the course, and why students are interested in learning about the oceans/coral reefs with CCMI.

**Please note, paragraphs submitted may be published and shared publicly on platforms to include, but are not limited to, CCMI's social media accounts, CCMI's website, and press releases to local media outlets.*



How to submit and when?

The deadline for submissions is **Wednesday, 14th October 2020 by 5pm**. Submissions need to be sent to education@reefresearch.org. CCMI judges will announce the winners on Friday, 16th October 2020.

Classes winning the scholarships must submit all completed/signed student registration forms and waivers to CCMI by **Friday, 30th October 12 noon**. Forms can be found: <https://reefresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/CCMI-Marine-Ecology-Elementary-Packet-Non-Diving.pdf>

Each class must provide two adult chaperones to accompany students and assist with classroom management for the programme in Little Cayman.

APPLICATION

Name of school: _____

Grade: _____

Number of students in class: _____

Approximate breakdown (for housing purposes): Boys _____ Girls _____

Teacher's name: _____

Teacher's email address: _____

Please submit your paragraph below: