

# So You're Thinking About Becoming a Youth Volunteer?

Check out the information below and keep this page handy!

## What is a Youth Volunteer?

Youth Volunteers (YV's) are high school students who are interested in the marine environment, community service or are looking to have a fun time with other teens! The Summer Youth Program at the Oregon Coast Aquarium focuses on learning about marine ecosystems, inspiring the public and exploring the coast with local teens. YV's who complete the Summer Youth Program are eligible to participate in additional projects, programs and field trips throughout the school year.

## It's a Step by Step Process!

1. Submit an online application. Make sure to tell your parents or guardians about the program!
2. Schedule an interview. The Aquarium's Youth Coordinator will contact you once we receive your application to set up a date and time.
3. Contact references to let them know we'll be emailing them.
4. Attend Youth Parent Orientation.
5. Participate in mandatory volunteer training in April and May.
6. Be there for Summer Youth Kick Off in June.
7. Commit to volunteering two half day shifts or one full day shift through the summer (approximately 80 hours).

## Important Dates:

Put these dates on your calendar so you don't forget!

Applications Due	February 25, 2017
Youth Parent Orientation	March 1 or 4 2017
Spring Training	March 4, 5, 11, 18, and April 1, 2017
Youth Program Kick Off	June 17, 2017
Last Day of Youth Program	August 31, 2017
Youth Sleepover	August 25-26, 2017

## Questions?

Email [volunteer@aquarium.org](mailto:volunteer@aquarium.org)

We hope you join us for  
a fantastic summer!

