



Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area

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Teacher-Led Field Trip Registration Procedures

Spring 2026: April 1st - June 12th

This registration procedure is for groups wishing to enroll in the Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area **spring teacher-led field trips** from **April 1st through June 12th, 2026, for Cobble Beach tidepool programs only.**

- Thirty-five students are allowed per slot. If you have more than 35 students, you will need to register for two tidepools times.
- Review the low-tide reservation calendar for available tidepool slots for your group.
- There is a maximum of 70 students in a day/trip.
- We request one chaperone per five students (1:5 ratio).
- The timeframe you choose to visit should include: exploring the tidepools, restrooms, lunch, interpretive center, and outdoor exploration.
- Your standards based educational field trip will be free of charge if you have a confirmed registration on file.
- Please register your field trip at least two weeks in advance to avoid any scheduling conflicts and ensure you have a fee waiver in place.
- Students, teachers, and chaperones must be able to climb 130 stairs and navigate over a Cobblestone beach.

Registration Process

- Review this packet to decide the best option for your group.
- Look at the low-tide reservation calendar and determine your timeframe for the day. Please choose your top four tidepool slots.
- Determine a plan for your visit and if you would like to borrow a lesson plan and materials from Yaquina Head or bring your own.
- Print and fill out entire registration form and email (blm_or_yh_education@blm.gov) it to the park no earlier than 8 a.m. Monday, January 12th, 2026. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Once reviewed and scheduled, an email confirmation with your date and program time will be sent to you.

If you have questions about programs or registration, please contact: Education Program Office at: 541-574-3122 or email: blm_or_yh_education@blm.gov.

Yaquina Head Program Descriptions

Registration is required for all school programs

Tidepool School

Grades: K - 3rd Grade

Concepts: Habitat, Adaptations

Description: Students will explore the tidepools and identify tidepool plants and animals while learning about and discussing species adaptations.

Materials Provided: Tidepool life ID sheets, tidepool inquiry question & answer sheet, field guide, markers.

Sea-Crets of Tide Pools

Grades: 4th and 5th Grade

Concepts: Habitat, Intertidal Zonation

Description: Discover creatures large and small and explore the intertidal communities at Cobble Beach with hands-on activities. Students will identify intertidal species while exploring and defining the habitat in which they live through the lens of zonation.

Materials Provided: Activity workbook, tidepool life ID sheet, clipboards, field guide, pencils.

Wealthy Tide Pools

Grade Level: 6th - 8th Grade

Concepts: Intertidal Ecosystem Monitoring, Species Identification, Biodiversity

Description: Students will act as junior ecologists to monitor the relative species richness of the intertidal zones, while learning about the scientific method, ecology, and biology in an engaging physical environment. This program aims to engage the students' hands, minds, and hearts, as well as to encourage lifelong stewardship of this unique ecological resource.

Materials Provided: Activity instructions for both students and teachers, data collection sheet, tidepool life ID sheet, 1 quadrat per zone, field guide, clipboards, markers.

Wealthy Tide Pools - High School Variation

Grade Level: High School

Concepts: Intertidal Ecosystem Monitoring, Species Identification, Research Design, Management Strategies.

Description: A more in-depth study of the intertidal zones, students will monitor for both species' abundance and richness, briefly analyze collected data, and apply knowledge gained to discuss appropriate management strategies.

Materials Provided: Activity instructions for both students and teachers, data collection sheet, tidepool life ID sheet, 1 quadrat per zone, field guide, clipboards, markers.