

# Summer 2024 Marine Biology Trip



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**What:** 2024 Elkhart Marine Biology Trip

**Where:** New England Coast from Massachusetts up through Bar Harbor Maine

**When:** Classroom days June 5-7 at EHS  
Travel Days June 10-23

**Why:** Earn a HS Science Credit while exploring marine science topics. Enjoy paddleboarding, kayaking, whale watching, camping under the stars, exploring new places, making friends, and creating lifetime memories.

**Who:** Any incoming 10th-12th grade student who has completed 1 year of high school science. All districts welcome.



**ELKHART COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
**2024 Marine Biology Information Sheet**

- WHAT:** Elkhart Marine Biology Summer Course for 1 Science credit.
- WHEN:** Classroom Days: June 5-7  
Trip: June 10-23  
Pack the bus: June 7
- WHERE:** 3 sessions of class in Elkhart 14 days of field experience in New England: From Woods Hole Massachusetts up through Bar Harbor Maine.
- WHO:** Any student who will be entering grades 10-12 next year and has passed their grade 9 science class. Students enrolled at Elkhart High School will be placed first. Limit - 28 students

**APPLICATION:** <https://tinyurl.com/5e86szsm> or scan the following QR Code:



**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

This class is offered to students entering grades 10-12 next year. The Marine Biology course involves field experience in oceanic habitats along the New England Coast. The surveys and explorations will be connected to the freshwater lake, river, and pond environments in our local area. Students will collect organisms for dissections and collect data to compare freshwater living conditions to marine living conditions. Learning will be conducted with field trips that include a class at High Dive Park and Bonneyville Mill (both in Elkhart), canoeing the St Joe River, whale watching near Plymouth, MA, A research opportunity in Woods Hole MA and exploration of Marine Biological Institute and Woods Hole Oceanic Institute, kayaking, paddleboarding and experience aboard a lobster boat in the Atlantic ocean.. We will also see seals and bald eagles, tour the Boston Aquarium, and handle ocean organisms such as lobsters, sea cucumbers, scallops, horseshoe crabs, and much more. From these experiences students will receive information about scientific methods, classification, evolution, genetics, ecology, math and technology.

**COST: \$750 (Optional excursion: add additional \$50 for kayaking and/or \$50 paddleboarding)**

Food, equipment, spending money, optional excursions not on original plan are not included in the above price. A nonrefundable \$200 deposit is due at the parent meeting. The remaining balance will be due by May 15th. Payment can be made in multiple installments. An email with more information will be sent out upon acceptance to the program. The Parent Meeting will be the week we return from Thanksgiving. Specific details as to location, date, and time will be given in acceptance email.

**EQUIPMENT NEEDED:**

Sleeping Bag, Cookware, Tent (Cookware and tent shared with another person)

**This equipment may be borrowed from the school**

*For More Information, Videos, and Pictures see our website or Facebook page!*

**QUESTIONS CONTACT:**

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Placement on the eligibility list will be determined after consultation among the professional staff. Considerations will include, but not be limited to, such things as:  
1) Input from the listed references. 2) Previous unsuccessful application. 3) Demonstrated ability to get along with teachers and/or other students.