Clean Ocean Action's
27th Annual Fall Student Summit

Terms of Participation:
The program is ***free*** to all participants. However, ***schools must provide their own transportation and lunches***. To ensure a commitment from your school, a **refundable deposit of $100** must be sent with the application. The deposit will be returned upon your completion of the post-Summit evaluations. Space is limited. Therefore, COA has established the following guidelines. In submitting this application, you understand and agree to the terms of participation. Please initial that you have read, understand, and agree to each bullet. Return with application by April 24th.

- Students, teachers, and chaperones may be photographed or filmed by COA during the Summit. Teachers must notify COA before the Summit if any student(s) cannot be photographed. Students who cannot be photographed must complete a Non-Permission Release Form, and the teacher must present it to COA staff on the day of Summit. Contact Catie Tobin at 732-872-0111 or education@cleanoceanaction.org to receive the form.
- Maximum number of students from each school is **30**. _____ (initials)
- Students, teachers, and chaperones are assigned to workshops in the Summit. Students and chaperones will be separated and divided among all field trips so that each school will have students who have attended all activities. Students will be mixed with other schools. **No changes will be allowed.** _____ (initials)
- **Arrival time is by 8:45 am sharp. Departure time is any time after 12:30 PM. If schools are unable to arrive promptly at 8:45 am, schools should not apply.** _____(initials)
- Schools are responsible for their own transportation to and from the Summit. _____ (initials)
- All students, teachers, and chaperones must bring their own lunch. Facilities to buy lunch are not available. Light snacks and drinks will be provided by COA. _____ (initials)
- Schools must bring **1** chaperone/teacher per **10** students. Chaperones will be required to assist in monitoring students from all schools during the Summit. Teachers, please pass along these terms to chaperones! _____ (initials)
- COA reserves the right to exclude or limit participation to anyone whose behavior or dress (*see below*) is inappropriate or disruptive to any students' learning experiences. _____ (initials)
- Teachers and students must demonstrate a desire to learn about the marine environment (*see application*). _____ (initials)
- Participation is limited to a total of **300** students each day. _____ (initials)
- Students must bring their own pencils and clipboards (if available). _____ (initials)
- COA will provide schools with bags for their trash (black) and recyclables (white). Schools must bring their garbage bags out of the park and back to school for proper disposal. _____ (initials)

About the Summit:
The Student Summit expands learning beyond the classroom. It is designed to provide middle school (Grades 5-8) students who come from different areas of the state with an opportunity to experience hands-on, marine environmental education at the Jersey Shore. The activities included in the Summit have been selected to present students with an interdisciplinary marine and environmental education experience.

Summit Location:
Gateway National Park – Sandy Hook, NJ
Applications accepted through ***April 24, 2015***

Step 1: Agree to Terms of Participation
Carefully review the terms listed in this brochure. They work to ensure all participants have a productive day. _____ (initials)

Costs/Refund:
The program and all materials are ***free***. To ensure a commitment from your school, a refundable deposit of $100 is required with your application. **The deposit will be returned upon your completion of the post-Summit evaluations.** Transportation and lunch must be provided by participants. _____ (initials)

Dress Requirements:
Coastal locations are usually cold and windy. Advise the students to dress according to the weather, bring additional layers of clothes, and wear sneakers or hiking shoes. COA reserves the right to exclude or limit participation to anyone whose dress is inappropriate. _____ (initials)

Weather Advisory - *No Rain Date*
Appropriate outerwear is mandatory; noncompliance may result in the student's participation being restricted by staff. In the case of *extreme* wet weather, the Student Summit will take place primarily indoors with a modified program. Be advised that some limited activities will still occur outside. _____ (initials)

School name: _____ **Teacher Name:** _____

Please return initialed Terms of Participation to 732-872-8041 by April 24th