Dear Educator,

This packet contains information pertaining to program topics, activities to do with students, pages for students’ individual use, and vocabulary and reference lists to enhance student understanding.

Each educator section includes lesson objectives, key concepts, background information, and highlighted vocabulary words. This information may be read aloud to students, copied and distributed to older students, used as a springboard for discussion, or as a sequential bridge to tie objectives to program topics. The glossary contains keyword definitions appropriate for middle school students.

The student activities provide a variety of learning situations to meet all learning styles. They are designed for use following the video lesson as reinforcement for program topics.

A student information sheet is provided for each lesson. This page contains background material or a simple lesson overview that may be copied and given to students prior to the video presentation. This information may be used to stimulate discussion pertaining to program topics, serve as a reference during and after the video lesson, or provide added incentive to research scientific issues.

The teacher packet also includes many concepts identified in the National Science Education Standards, the Benchmarks for Science Literacy, and the Sunshine State Standards. Hot links to these sites have been provided on our website at http://www.marine.usf.edu/pjocean

If you have any questions or concerns, we can also be contacted at askocean@marine.usf.edu

For call in questions, during the live broadcast contact us at 1-888-51-OCEAN.

Enjoy!
The Project Oceanography Staff