



## In Depth with Dolphins Program Overview & Schedule

**Year Level:** All

**Program Duration:** 45 minutes

**Min. Participants:** 10 students

**Max. Participants:** n/a

**Location:** Dolphin Beach

### Program Overview:

This interactive program provides a broad overview of dolphin biology and ecology for students of all ages. Students will discover the variety of marine habitats where dolphins live, what roles they occupy in their habitats and how they are equipped to survive in their environment. Specific adaptations covered will address how dolphins move, hunt, protect themselves, rest, breathe and maintain body temperature. When available, a Marine Mammal Trainer will deliver a short talk about training and caring for Sea World's dolphins. Students will consider how some human activities are threatening the survival of dolphins and will discuss actions that can be taken individually and globally to help with conservation of these animals.

This program has been developed to cater for mixed year level groups; groups wanting a general overview on marine conservation or a specific animal; and student groups from a different learning area than those covered in our standard curriculum-based education programs (for example an English class writing a persuasive essay on the topic of marine conservation).

### Additional Information:

- *Program is not specifically curriculum aligned and is suitable for mixed year levels or groups visiting for various subject areas.*

### Program Schedule:

#### Time

#### 10:30am Arrival and Park Entry

It is recommended that the group arrive before 10:30am. Entry into the park is through admissions gate number 6.

#### 11:00am Affinity Dolphin Presentation

The school group will head to Dolphin Beach by 11:00am for the 11:15am *Affinity Dolphin Presentation*.

#### 11:35am Education Program

The school group is to remain behind in the stadium on completion of the *Affinity Dolphin Presentation* where a Marine Education Officer will meet the group and deliver the program.

#### 12:25pm Program Conclusion

At the conclusion of this session, students will be free to enjoy the park for the rest of the day, at the discretion of school staff.