Become a 2023 Sea Grant Mentor Teacher

New York Sea Grant and The Long Island Sound Study (LISS) are seeking educators (for grades PK-12) for this year's Long Island Sound Mentor Teacher program. Working together, partner teams prepare and lead a Teacher Professional Learning Opportunity (PLO) with workshops focused on the Long Island Sound. Climate change adaptations, sea-level rise, and ecological health, and water quality topics are encouraged.

New York Sea Grant staff will offer guidance, support, and funding to the selected Mentor Teachers to help them plan the location, develop, promote, and prepare for a workshop.

Mentor Teachers receive a $1,200 stipend, a programming budget, and access to Long Island Sound Study resources for their workshop and participants.

How to apply:

LISS Mentor Teacher Workshops are professional learning opportunities for classroom teachers in New York. The workshops should take place in the Long Island Sound watershed (Includes Bronx, Queens, Westchester, and North Shore of Long Island), include a field component (water sampling, monitoring, etc.) and activities designed for use in the classroom.

Complete the application form at no later than **May 15, 2023**.

1. Why would you like to be a LIS Mentor Teacher?
2. Where and when would you like the workshop to take place? (All workshops must take place in before October 30, 2023)
3. What would you like to cover during the workshop? (Include ideas for topics, activities, formats, and correlation with New York State or Next Generation Science Standards).

Details to know before applying:

- Educators are encouraged to apply, having already found a partner educator to develop the workshop with them. (If applying as a team, only one of the team members is required to apply; the application will ask the applying educator to submit their partner's information). Applicants who apply without another educator in mind, if selected, will be paired up with another independent applicant and both will have to work together to consolidate their ideas into a single workshop.

- Ideal workshops should be interdisciplinary, hands-on, and offer a variety of lessons and activity ideas for workshop participants. The program will provide a budget for Mentor Teachers to provide participants with take-home materials for their use in the workshop, etc.

- Previous LIS Mentor Teachers are encouraged to apply!

- The Long Island Sound Study's NY Outreach Coordinators will work with the selected Mentor Teachers to offer support and guidance throughout the workshop development process. Mentor Teachers are expected to dedicate at least 40 hours to the preparation of the workshop.

- The 2023 Long Island Sound Study Mentor Teacher workshops will take place on a date to be chosen by the selected Mentor Teachers and the LISS Outreach Coordinators. The workshops must take place in New York before October 30, 2023.

- All applicants will be contacted with the results of the application process by May/June 2023.

Want Feedback? Email us your idea before May 10!

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