



Sailing Through STEM Night

Friday, July 25th from 3:30-6pm at California Yacht Club

US Sailing is seeking organizations, sailing teams, and local colleges to participate as activity stations for kids.

This event will highlight US Sailing's STEM Education and Outreach program- Reach. The Reach program is currently being implemented by over 300 programs in six countries impacting approximately 10,000 students annually (<http://reach.ussailing.org/>). "US Sailing's Reach program strives to engage youth and enhance career opportunities in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Environmental Stewardship through authentic learning experiences."

Participating organizations should provide/include the following:

- A unique hands-on learning activity for youth to participate in or a demonstration relating to an aspect of STEM or sailing relating to an investigative question
- Information about your organization
- 1-3 people to man the table and run activities with kids from 3:30-6pm
- Tables will be available to set up activities from 2:30-3:30pm.
- Your logo, planned activity, contact information and Investigative question should be sent to US Sailing's Reach Program Manager Jessica Servis at JessicaServis@ussailing.org or to Susan Service at SService@mednet.ucla.edu

This is a great opportunity to get kids who are likely to spend a lifetime involved in boat-related activities excited about STEM, marine science, and conservation! Local and national media will be invited to attend. The California Yacht Club in Marina del Rey will be hosting a National regatta for the Optimist Dinghy sailboat, which we anticipate will draw between 150 and 300 kids aged 10-15 plus students from participating Reach programs in the LA area. While most days the kids will be involved in racing their boats, we are planning one afternoon of STEM-related activities, with approximately 20 stations with hand-on learning activities.

The following programs have confirmed participation in the event: Heal the Bay, Natural History Museum of LA, Algalita Marine Research Institute, NKE Instrumentation, US Sailing Center – Long Beach and more. Please join us.

This event is presented by US Sailing's Reach Program, the Jim and Nelly Kilroy Foundation, and California Yacht Club in collaboration with the USODA.

