

# The Island School Shark Week

Shark studies with The Island School and Cape Eleuthera Institute  
Eleuthera, The Bahamas



## Program at a Glance

**When:** July 28–August 4, 2013

**Who:** 16 years +

**Cost:** \$1,750

**Apply:** application at [www.islandschool.org](http://www.islandschool.org)

## Highlights

- Live on a green campus and interact with sustainable systems in renewable energy, waste water gardens, water catchment, food production
- Research alongside scientists at the Cape Eleuthera Institute
- Help collect data with the Shark Research and Conservation Program
- Get experience out in the field and analyzing data in the lab

Sharks play a vital role as apex predators helping to maintain the balance of marine ecosystems. In spite of this importance sharks are currently being harvested from the world's oceans at an unprecedented rate. The Shark Research and Conservation Program at CEI has been conducting research for two years documenting the diversity, seasonal abundance, and habitat use of local species, using a variety of field techniques. In addition, a conventional tagging program and acoustic tracking program have been used to study the movements and site fidelity of a number of species including the Caribbean reef, nurse, tiger, lemon and blacktip sharks. Students are invited to join the shark team and learn about shark biology, ecology, how to identify local shark species, practice the various field research techniques used to study sharks, assist in tagging and tracking sharks, and shark surgeries and dissections. This course involves time spent on boats, in all weather conditions and will be physically demanding, but allow you to get up close and personal with some of the seas most incredible animals.

Visit <http://www.ceibahamas.org/sharks.html> for more information on CEI's shark research.

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