NEOSEC

New England Ocean Science Education Collaborative





WHO WE ARE

NEOSEC is a collaboration of 38 institutions from across New England, including aquariums, museums, universities, government entities, and science & research centers, that share a commitment to making Ocean Literacy equitable and accessible for all of New England. Our combined expertise, resources, and networks strengthen our member institutions and the programs and services they offer in support of their missions.

OCEAN LITERACY SUMMIT

As part of this goal, NEOSEC hosts a biennial Ocean Literacy Summit to bring together informal and formal educators, scientists, students, community leaders and policymakers from across the region. The Summit is an opportunity to learn and share new marine science and oceanographic developments along with new approaches and successful programs for engaging communities and teaching ocean science.

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VISION AND MISSION

All individuals and communities are engaged in ocean science learning in New England and are welcomed and supported to have a strong relationship with the ocean.

The New England Ocean Science Education Collaborative (NEOSEC) leverages and strengthens the region's extraordinary ocean science and educational assets to advance understanding of the vital connections between people and the ocean.

UNIQUENESS OF NEOSEC

We have institutions as members

Member institutions with two representatives help us maintain consistency despite staff changes.

We are regional

Focused on New England issues and all within a days drive for our two in-person meetings per year.

We are many

Our membership is flexible and free. It allows organizations to join when and how they are able.

We have established structure

We have been working collaboratively since 2025

We can affect change at scale

Paid staff help maintain consistent communications and a backbone of support.



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MEMBER INSTITUTIONS (list current members 2024)

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	Atlantic White Shark Conservancy	Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve
	BioBus	New England Aquarium
	Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation	New England Science and Sailing Foundation
	Boothbay Sea and Science Center	Northeastern Marine Science Center
	Bow Seat Ocean Awareness Programs	Oceanic Research Group
	Center for Coastal and Ocean Mapping, UNH	Project Oceanology
	Center for Coastal Studies	Salem Sound Coastwatch
	Cohasset Center for Student Coastal Research	Sea Education Association
	Connecticut National Estuarine Research Reserve	Seacoast Science Center
	Connecticut Sea Grant/University of Connecticut - Avery Point	Seaside Sustainability
	Educational Passages	SENEME
	Gulf of Maine Marine Education Association	Suffolk University
	Gulf of Maine Research Institute (GMRI)	The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk
	Maine Coastal Program / Department of Marine Resources	The Trustees
	Maine Sea Grant	UMass Boston
	Mass Audubon	University of Connecticut
	Massachusetts Marine Educators	University of Rhode Island- Graduate School of Oceanography (URI-GSO)

Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Sea

Grant

MIT Sea Grant

Mystic Aquarium