

Schoolship Program Start / End Times

In accordance with volunteer feedback and classroom feedback we are excited to share the following update to our NextGen Schoolship Program!

Beginning in 2022, the NextGen Schoolship Program will be **shortened by 30 minutes**. The morning school group will arrive 30 minutes later (9:00am) and the afternoon school group will leave 30 minutes earlier (4:45pm). The peer teaching portion of the program has been removed to allow for those extra 30 minutes.

For instructors: After the station sample is collected you will move immediately into the secchi disc reading.

The Diving Deeper Program times **are remaining the same**. This makes it additionally important to check the volunteer calendar for program start times!

Below is a table with all of the listed program start and end times:

Program	Volunteer Arrival	Student Arrival	Ship Departure	Return to Shore/End
Next Gen AM	8:30 AM	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	12:30 PM
Next Gen PM	12:45 PM	1:15 PM	1:45 PM	4:45 PM
Diving Deeper AM	8:00 AM	8:30 AM	9:00 AM	12:30 AM
Diving Deeper PM	12:45 PM	1:15 PM	1:45 PM	5:15 PM
ROV AM	8:45 AM	9:15 AM	--	11:45 AM
ROV PM	1:15 PM	1:45 PM	--	4:15 PM

Why are we doing this?

- Volunteer feedback has been clear that the days aboard the schooner are quite long. We want to make sure that you continue to enjoy your stewardship with ISEA!
- Teachers have communicated that it would be easier on them *and* their students if the field trip was able to fall within the school day. Things like meal times, parent pickup, and bussing/transportation are a challenge with our current timing model.
- Peer teaching *is still a component of Diving Deeper*. By diversifying our programs to offer different components to each age group, a student may return to our program 3 different times with a different experience each time!