

# Community Partners

A crucial element of the academy is our close tie with local education, government, business and industry partners.

*Youth Maritime Training Association*

*NOAA*

*Zenith Maritime*

*Seattle Maritime Academy*

*University of Washington*

*Pacific Maritime Institute*

*Port of Seattle*

*Captain's Nautical Supplies*

*Foss Maritime*

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Students learn ancient skills with modern applications

## A Small Learning Community at Ballard High School

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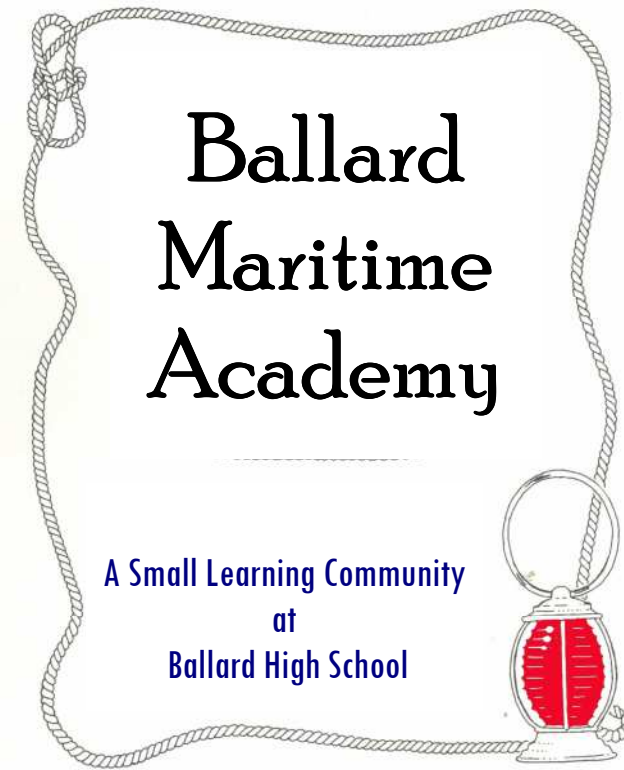
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Visit the YMTA website for more information:

<http://www.ymta.net>  
Under PARTNERS click on Ballard High School



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*"Educating Tomorrow's Pirates"*



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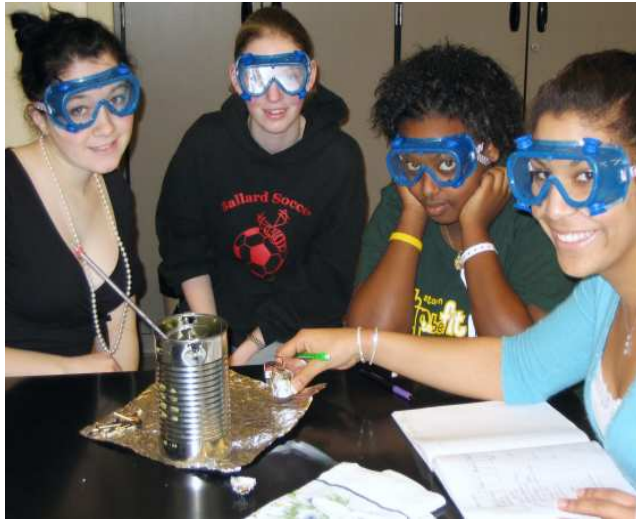
Ballard Maritime Academy students enroll in college-preparatory, interdisciplinary marine science, technical education and liberal arts courses. Lecture, laboratory experiences, and field trips are incorporated into each course.

Each class completes an adventure trip every year, which could include sailing, kayaking, or a cruise aboard a charter vessel. A small group of students is chosen to go to Washington, D.C. each spring as a guest of NOAA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, our main sponsor.

The students also have the opportunity to participate in an internship project between their Junior and Senior years. The internship allows the students to see firsthand what a career in their chosen field is really like.



Students learn about career opportunities through guest speakers, field trips, and internships.



Students learn marine science through hands-on experience and field research

## Academy Curriculum

### Sophomore Year

Marine Biology I & II  
Introduction to Maritime

### Junior Year

Chemistry/Physics/Zoology  
Maritime Skills/Marine Carpentry

**Paid internship between Junior and Senior year**

### Senior Year

Advanced Marine Science  
Senior OUPV Deck License Course

(These are academy-specific courses, all students are encouraged to take foreign language, upper level math and electives outside the curriculum)

Small student/adult ratios  
Project-based approach promotes interdisciplinary study  
Real-world experiences and adventure trips provide context for academic study  
Maritime theme promotes inquiry and imagination  
Students have individual advisor through high school  
Upper level students act as mentors for younger students  
Students learn through guest speakers, internships, and mentor relationships



Students participate in community events, such as the Seattle Maritime Festival's World Invitational Survival Suit Races.



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Student application for school year 2007-2008

*Please Return Completed Applications to Mr. Foster (NW211)  
or Ms. Vogel (NW 218)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in learning about the marine environment?

What was the toughest challenge in your life, and what did you learn from it?

What talents/interest/abilities will you bring to the program?

Why should we choose you for this program? This is your chance to tell us why you are the perfect candidate for this program in your own words:

It is important that your parents become involved in this program by supporting you, participating in family group functions as a part of the maritime program, communicating regularly with the teachers, visiting the classroom, and any other ways we and they feel are both feasible and appropriate. Please discuss this point with them and make sure you are all in agreement; this will help avoid embarrassing situations in the future and provide a greater level of success for both you and the program.

**Parent/Guardian Signature(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

We will be holding our informational meeting for prospective students and their parents this year at 6:30 pm on Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> in the Boat Shop, room NW211, at Ballard High School. We hope you can join us to learn more about the program and meet the teachers, students, parents, and supporters. You will receive an invitation by mail before the event, or contact me at [jffoster@seattleschools.org](mailto:jffoster@seattleschools.org)

**John Foster Ballard Maritime Academy**