

# An Oil Spill Professional Development Program for Formal and Informal Educators

- Who:** Formal and informal educators who teach primarily middle to high school grades or those professionals who work with the K-12 community
- What:** A three-hour training session on topics related to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill
- When:** Saturday, January 28, 2012 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon
- Where:** 3 locations – Ole Miss-Oxford, MS Museum of Natural Science-Jackson, MS Department of Marine Resources-Biloxi, MS
- Why:** To provide teachers with current information on the oil spill and resources to use in their classrooms
- How:** To apply, contact Chris Breazeale at [chris@imms.org](mailto:chris@imms.org) or call 228-701-1767.

During the three-hour session, educators will hear from experts in four states on current topics, to include a basic overview of oil; toxicity, bioavailability, and biodegradation; dispersants; and the impacts on birds. A hands-on activity will be conducted and lesson plans will be provided. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) which participants pay the costs, a Certificate of Participation, and a \$100 stipend are available to the first 20 educators. However, participants will be required to respond to electronic pre- and posttests and a electronic Likert-scale evaluation for stipend eligibility. For more information and a registration form, please contact Chris Breazeale at the Institute for Marine Mammals, 228-701-1767, [Chris@IMMS.org](mailto:Chris@IMMS.org).



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