



## **Tampa Bay Watch Announces Online Education Resources** BRING TAMPA BAY INTO YOUR HOME OR VIRTUAL CLASSROOM

**TIERRA VERDE, FL (April 28, 2020)** - [Tampa Bay Watch](#), a nonprofit organization whose mission is to restore and protect the bay's habitat through stewardship and community awareness, has developed new [online learning resources](#) to bring the estuary to you! Whether you're a volunteer, student, fellow conservationist, or Tampa Bay resident, you'll be engaged as the organization continues their mission to save the bay every day. The goal of the online resources is to inspire learners to act as life-long environmental stewards.

New content is released on a weekly basis on their [website](#) including program videos to entertain and educate. The restoration team demonstrates how they tackle mission-based efforts throughout the bay. Recent video releases featured [monofilament fishing line recycling](#), [vertical oyster gardens](#), and their [Bay Grasses in Classes](#) program. The Estuary EDventures team has produced [marine animal features](#) and live [lab sessions](#), these videos are great for teachers, students, and those who have a thirst for knowledge!

Kids' Pages Investigations worksheets explore their Kids' Pages publications, aiming to dive deeper into the ecosystems of our Tampa Bay estuary and the oceans beyond! These in-depth worksheets and answer keys provide an excellent at-home learning opportunity and new material is also released each week.

Incorporated in 1993, Tampa Bay Watch performs habitat restoration and protection activities throughout the year, relying heavily on the efforts of community volunteers. These programs seek to build citizen awareness, concern and participation through environmental outreach. Tampa Bay Watch will soon open its second facility at the new St. Pete Pier™. The [Tampa Bay Watch Discovery Center](#) will include an interactive visitor experience showcasing the economic, ecological and recreational value of the Tampa Bay estuary to residents and visitors as well as an academic component that will expand environmental and educational outreach programs to Tampa Bay area schools, residents and visitors. The center will also have a dedicated Eco-tour boat offering on-water environmental programming and will be open year-round (except Thanksgiving and Christmas day) from 10am to 6pm.

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### **About Tampa Bay Watch**

*Tampa Bay Watch is a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) stewardship program dedicated exclusively to the charitable and scientific purpose of protecting and restoring the marine and wetland environments of the Tampa Bay estuary encompassing over 400 square miles of open water and 2,300 square miles of highly- developed watershed. Tampa Bay Watch involves more than 10,000 youth and adult volunteers each year in hands on habitat restoration projects. For more information, visit <http://www.tampabaywatch.org> or call 727-867-8166.*