Participant Information

Name: ________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: _____ Zip Code: ______
Tel. Number: _____________________ Email: _________________________
Grade: ________ School: ____________________________
Birthday: ________ Gender: (circle one)  Male   Female

Recommending Teacher

Name: ________________________________
School: _________________________________
Tel. Number: _____________________ Email: _________________________

Parent Contact Information

Name: ________________________________
Tel. Number: _____________________ Email: _________________________

Application to FMS must include:
• completed application form
• letter of recommendation from a current teacher
• one page essay

Application Deadline: June 15, 2016
Cost: $225/student

Mail, email or fax application materials to:
Murt Conover
c/o LUMCON
8124 Highway 56
Chauvin, LA 70344
Fax: (985) 851-2874
mconover@lumcon.edu

Important Information about FMS:
Camp contact:
Murt Conover
(985) 851-2860
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Application Deadline: June 15, 2016
Camp fee: $225/student

For more information on LUMCON & CWC education programs visit:
 www.lumcon.edu
or
cwc.lumcon.edu

About the FSM camp

CWC & LUMCON are offering students an opportunity to gain practical and real world experience about conducting field research in the coastal marshes of south Louisiana. Participants of this research-based camp will learn about some of Louisiana’s most treasured resources and how to conduct and report their own research results.

As campers, students will have access to research vessels, research equipment, laboratories and scientists. Participants of this camp will become part of the scientific community that is trying to assess the state of our coastal systems after the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

FMS is designed for students from 9th to 12th grade who have a desire to learn more about how to effectively conduct a research and communicate their results. This week-long residential camp immerses students in the environments about which they are learning.

FMS is ideal for students that are serious about pursuing a career in marine or environmental science and would like to gain research experience before entering college.
**FMS Camp Cost: $225/student**

The camp fee is all inclusive. The fee charged per student covers the costs of the meals, snacks, activities, and housing.

Additional funding for FMS is being provided by the CWC through a grant from BP/Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative.

*Scholarships maybe available to students who qualify.

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**Camp Highlights**

Campers are given every opportunity to take advantage of the ongoing research at the marine center. Activities are designed to give campers the best experience to help them further their understanding of the coastal ecosystem and science in general. Students will engage in science research projects that are designed to fit right into the research currently being conducted by CWC scientists. Campers will complete FMS with a new awareness and understanding of the ecosystem, the current research results, and further insight in how to communicate like a scientist.

- Daily field excursions/laboratory time to conduct research projects.
- Presentations and panel discussions with CWC scientific staff.
- The chance to communicate the results of their research projects with science professionals.
- Exposure to and experience in working with large datasets.
- Opportunities to learn more about picking the right college/graduate programs.
- And much more

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**Camp goals:**

FMS is a research experience for students in high school that want an in-depth experience into how to conduct research in the marine environment. The goals of this one week residential camp are:

- To give students experience conducting research in the coastal marine environment
- To provide students with the opportunity to learn about current research being conducted by CWC scientists.
- To provide students with an opportunity to build a network of science professionals
- To give student the knowledge they need to effectively communicate science with their peers and scientists
- To provide students with a project ideas and data to compete at school/regional science fairs.

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**How to Apply**

To apply to be one of the 2016 campers, submit a completed application (included on the back of this brochure), a one page essay and a letter of recommendation by 2016 campers, submit a one page essay and a letter of recommendation by CWC scientists with large datasets.

Applicants will be notified about the status of their applications about one week after the application deadline. No applications will be reviewed before the application deadline.

The letter of recommendation must be from a current teacher and must include contact information.

The essay must be at least one page and include why you want to attend camp, a short description of any research experience (e.g. science fair, class lab activities), and what interests you about science.

Eligible students are students who are in 9th through the 12th grades (during the 2015-2016 school year).

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