

Dear DEEP students and families,

Over the years several DEEP classes have put together groups of students for scuba certification through Scubahaus. If enough students get together, they can form a private class and have a great time out at Catalina. The biggest challenge is in finding dates that work for a large enough group. It works best if a parent takes the leader role and coordinates communication between families and with Scubahaus. This year Bridget Higley has graciously volunteered. Bridget is a veteran of a successful trip a few years ago and she knows how it works. **Please note that the certification class is not a St. Matthew's event.**

If you are interested in certification for your student, or even you family members, contact Bridget to get the conversation started. Below is information from Scubahaus:



The certification program consists of 3 parts, and can be taken in 1, 2 or all three portions with us:

- The first part is online homework called "eLearning", which generally takes approximately 15 hours on line at home and is fun and informative.
- The second part is a short classroom and pool session (usually done in 1 day, but may require additional pool time if necessary).
- The third, and most exciting part, is a trip to Catalina Island for 2 days, which is generally a Saturday - Sunday, but during the summer and for private classes can be any days available.

The full course cost of \$599.00 includes the online eLearning course, the pool session, round trip transportation on The Catalina Express, and open water check out dives. We include the basic scuba gear at no rental cost during the class and Catalina trip, which includes the BCD, regulator and wet suit.

You are responsible for your own personal dive gear, including a mask, snorkel, fins, booties and gloves (student discounts at Scubahaus are available), parking at the Catalina Express, meals, drinks, taxi cabs, tank and weight rentals on the island or dive boat, hotel accommodations and gratuities.



Parent or family members certified and need a quick SCUBA tune up? Reactivate is available for 199.00 and includes a short eLearning refresher and a 1 hour pool session.

Call now 310-828-2916 or stop in at 2501 Wilshire Blvd., Santa. Monica CA 90403