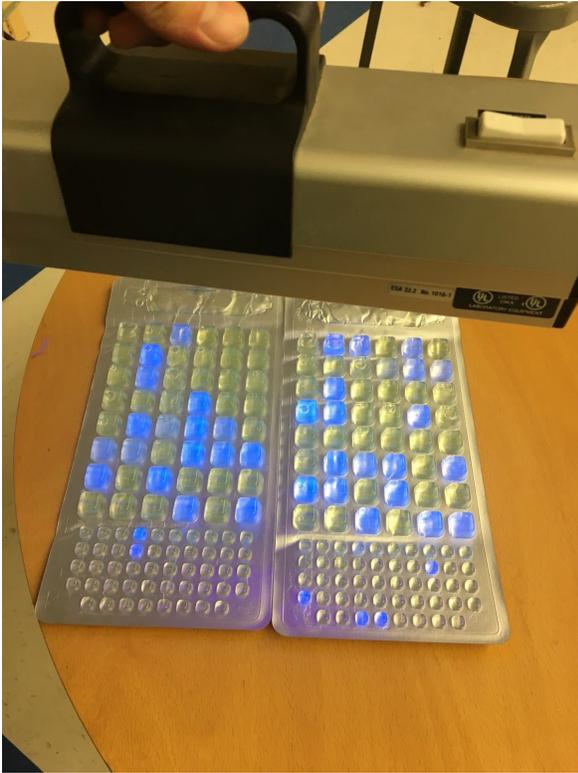


Surfrider



Surfrider Blue Water Task Force equipment in Pali High's EAST class. Top left: UV light makes the ocean water glow depending on the concentration of E. Coli. Incubators used to process the ocean water samples.

Surfrider Foundation's Mission: The Surfrider Foundation is dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of the world's ocean, waves and beaches through a powerful activist network.

Blue Water Task Force: Testing the water near your school and bringing it into the lab to use equipment provided by Surfrider. There are students from Palisades Charter High School and Santa Monica High testing water near their schools.

<https://www.surfrider.org/blue-water-task-force/localinfo/lab-15>

A current crew at PCHS EAST: 2 kids on the surf team collecting water every other day, kids on the autoclave schedule making sure things are sterilized, and some kids who come in the day later to read them.

Extremely helpful link from Surfrider Foundation's website with information about Surfrider's LA Chapter, and lots of ways you can get involved with Surfrider. Students can start Surfrider clubs at their schools, test the water, or campaign for ocean friendly restaurants, to name only a few.

<https://la.surfrider.org/programs/>

More info about ocean friendly restaurants:

- The Ocean Friendly Restaurant (OFR) program helps restaurants minimize their impact on the ocean by adopting practices that reduce single-use plastic waste, maximize energy efficiency and conserve water.
- MANDATORY PRACTICES
 - No expanded polystyrene use (aka Styrofoam)
 - Reusable tableware for all onsite dining; to-go utensils provided only upon request
 - Proper recycling practices are followed.
 - No plastic bags distributed for takeout or to-go orders.
- ADDITIONAL BEST PRACTICES
 - Plastic straws provided only upon request.
 - Discount offered for customers with reusable cup, mug, bag, etc.
 - Vegetarian or vegan friendly options available. Sustainably certified seafood.
 - Water conservation efforts such as low-flow faucets and toilets as well as water only upon request.
 - No beverages sold in plastic bottles.
 - Energy efficiency efforts such as LED lighting and Energy Star appliances.

Field Trip Destination:

- Surfrider Events in Los Angeles

