Mrs. Rickerson’s 1A class visited the Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve in VA at VIMS on October 15, 2010 for a field trip! Students spent their time investigating oyster reef animals and plants using microscopes, dichotomous keys, and science notebooks. Students then explored the shallow water habitat of the York River, wearing waders and life jackets, and using dip nets and seine nets to catch animals and plants.

### Oyster Reef Species List

- Red Beard Sponge
- Barnacle
- Amphipod
- Naked Goby
- Mud Snail
- Striped Blenny
- Big-clawed Snapping Shrimp
- Feather Blenny
- Polychaete Worm
- Oyster Toadfish
- Mud Crab
- Sea Lettuce
- Oyster Flat Worm
- Skilletfish
- Tapered Red Weed
- Slipper Shell
- White Anemone

### Shallow Water Species List

- Hogchoker
- Tonguefish
- Blue Crab
- Comb Jelly
- Nemopsis
- Skilletfish
- American Eel
- Grass Shrimp
- Tapered Red Weed
- Sea Lettuce
- Spot
- Mud Snail
- Pipefish
- Slipper Shell
- Hermit Crab
- Sea Squirt
- Feather Blenny
- Amphipod
- Hyppolite Shrimp
- Kingfish
- Atlantic Silverside

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