



Kids Set Sail

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DC Sail has shared the beauty of sail and on-the-water experience with thousands of DC area youth since the program commenced.

Kids Set Sail serves as our longest running Youth Sailing Program at DC Sail. During the eight week-long summer camp sessions, the young sailors are provided with instruction on how to sail a boat with each participant rotating through the skipper and crew positions. The 4:1 ratio of campers to counselor on board the boat provides excellent hands-on experience and safety.



Kids Set Sail curriculum includes:

- ▮ Health and Boating Safety
- ▮ Parts of the Boat
- ▮ Rigging & Furling a Flying Scot
- ▮ Identify Wind Direction
- ▮ Steering
- ▮ Weather and Electricity Talk
- ▮ Learn how to Tack and Jibe
- ▮ Safety Position
- ▮ Currents & Tides
- ▮ Nautical Charts
- ▮ Learn Points of Sail and Math Concepts to Describe Point Of Sail
- ▮ Knots
- ▮ Learn the Rules of the Road
- ▮ Burgees
- ▮ Introduce Launching and Landing
- ▮ Person Overboard Drills
- ▮ Learn How to Navigate a Race Course

KIDS SET SAIL	2023	2024
# of Kids	50	50
Value	\$17,500	\$20,000



DC Sail is one of only 30 “Sanctioned” US Sailing Community Sailing Centers in the United States. DC Sail earned this honorable distinction with the National Governing Body (NGB) of the sport of sailing based on the staff’s superior community outreach, specifically working with at-risk children in the Washington, D.C. area. With exemplary on-the-water curriculum utilizing STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics,) and an exceptional safety record, the non-profits creates unique sailing, boating safety and marine educational opportunities. DC Sail has a lasting, positive impact on the lives of these youngsters who would otherwise not have the chance to experience being on and around the water. With confidence, we have seen lives change through these beneficial experiences.

Additional benefits to the kids in the program is the opportunity to engage in cross-socioeconomic relationships with others outside of their neighborhood and schools. We have seen many lasting friendships develop, all while spending fun summer days on the water in Washington, DC.