



**Innovative PK3 through Grade 12 Marine Studies Program uses REVLAR® Waterproof Paper for Underwater Data Collection and More**

Founded in 1968, Canterbury School of Florida is a co-educational, college-preparatory, independent day school located on two campuses in St. Petersburg, FL. Canterbury is recognized for educational excellence in PK3 through grade 12.

The Marine Studies program at Canterbury is a school-wide program that focuses on all aspects of marine science and environmental education. As the first and only Cousteau Divers partner school in the world, Canterbury's Marine Studies program features a kayak fleet, 23-foot Sea-Pro bay boat, and three aquarium touch tanks filled with crabs, sea stars, fish, shrimp, and tunicates designed to inspire appreciation of the local marine environment. Two years ago, students on the school's scuba diving team completed their first open-water dive with Pierre-Yves Cousteau, son of the legendary explorer, Jacques Cousteau.

One key element of Marine Studies is the ability to document findings while out in the field, which for the three to 18 year olds at Canterbury includes a variety of coastal settings, from beach to boat to underwater. Students and faculty were challenged using data collection sheets printed on traditional paper, which didn't hold up in the elements, and three years ago, the school began to look for an alternate solution.

"We knew about waterproof paper. In fact, waterproof journals are common in scuba diving," explains Jenna Cummings, director of Marine Studies at Canterbury School of Florida. "But bound journals of blank pages didn't meet our requirements. We needed individual

**At A Glance:**

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Canterbury School of Florida

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sheets of paper that we could tailor for each lesson based on the type of data we needed to collect. We wanted a solution that was flexible enough to allow us to print only what we needed and that would be cost-effective in a school environment.”

Someone at the school had a sample of REVLAR from Relyco, and Cummings began to envision how REVLAR could be incorporated into field data collection activities. “I called Relyco and explained our requirements,” she says. “They were very knowledgeable and were able to advise me quickly as to size and thickness of REVLAR that would be best for our application. After that conversation, I compared pricing on waterproof papers and found that REVLAR from Relyco was the most cost-effective option on the market.” Cummings notes that even the ordering process, which can sometimes be cumbersome for schools, goes smoothly with Relyco.

Today, Canterbury students use REVLAR for a variety of Marine Studies-related activities. “REVLAR is a perfect fit for us. Students in our Redfish aquaculture program use it to collect data about the fish they’re assessing, and in an environment that’s close to the water—with children and splashing fish—REVLAR performs exactly as we need it to,” Cummings continues. “In our scuba diving program, we use REVLAR to communicate and gather data under water. Unlike a traditional dive journal or slate, which is just a blank surface, we can change the layout of REVLAR to meet the goals of each lesson and align with the particular study techniques students are learning. REVLAR is ideal for use under water.”

Cummings adds that while REVLAR is durable enough to withstand use by students of all ages in and around water, she also appreciates REVLAR’s flexibility. “REVLAR works seamlessly in our printers and copiers,” she says, “and we’re able to print just what we need for each lesson so there is no waste, which is so important since we closely manage our expenses. REVLAR is also easy for students to work with and write on, a vast improvement over traditional paper and pencil in an environment where virtually everything is wet.”



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