Adopt-a-Float Newsletter

Welcome to the Adopt-a-Float program! We are looking forward to having you join us as we watch the floats on their journey through the ocean.

Date: October 16, 2025

Number of Floats Deployed: 330 GO-BGC floats deployed (313 operating); 314 SOCCOM floats deployed (143 operating).

Float of the Month!

GO-BGC
Global Ocean Biogeochemistry Array

Itz'at Explorer
Itz'at STEAM Academy. Belize City, Belize

GO-BGC is entering Year 6 (of 5) in October 2025 and we have over 100 floats left to get adopted and launch in the coming year. *Itz'at Explorer* was adopted by the Itz'at STEAM Academy in Belize City, Belize and will be launched from the RV *Falkor too* in January, 2026. During the next few weeks, we will be working with the NSF to determine what we can and cannot do during the current federal shutdown.

The next EARTH Workshop is open to all educators and will take place in **Monterey, California, July 26–31, 2026** and application information will be posted next month (www.mbari.org/EARTH).

And the 2026 Adopt-A-Float sticker competition (https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/2026-sticker-contest) is now open and accepting applications!! The Guidelines will be similar to last year and can be found here.

Check out the Flickr page for photos of your floats if they have been adopted/launched.

Just a reminder that it might take up to two months for your float data to show up on the Adopt-A-Float viz site as the data are checked for quality control at that point and then posted. You can view data that has not yet been checked at the regular Float-Viz site.
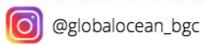
Find your float information here: https://www3.mbari.org/gobgc/tables/GOBGC_Adopt-a-Float.html or https://www3.mbari.org/soccom/tables/SOCCOM_Adopt-a-Float.html
Find resources here: https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/for-educators
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