

CF Fishing Team | 2024 Season

What:

The Cedar Falls Fishing Team was created to give Cedar Falls High School students access to fishing competition against other high school anglers on their team, in their community, in the state of lowa and even regionally and nationally.

Why:

Our mission is to help the next generation of anglers to fall in love with the outdoors and the sport of fishing through education and competition while maintaining the highest standard of sportsmanship and excellence.

Who:

Anyone who will be in 9th-12th grade at CFHS, Valley Lutheran or CF home school - starting in the fall of 2024. This sport is open to all young men and women to compete.

Every team member will read and sign a code of conduct form, consent to treat and a liability waiver in order to compete on the team. We will also need a photocopy of your medical insurance card.

The main form of competition will be through virtual and in person tournaments hosted locally, in the state and across the country. In order to do this, each team is required to have a boat and a captain for the boat tournaments. Each tournament has different requirements, but generally this means an adult with a boat and liability insurance coverage. Experience is helpful but not required to be a captain. Background checks and a signed code of conduct for boat captains will be required as well as minimum boat/insurance/etc. requirements for each tournament.

In between tournaments a regular monthly meeting will be held to talk about different topics and promote team bonding:

- *skills and techniques
- *tackle and lures
- *boating/fishing safety
- *conservation & more!

We will also have different guest speakers to come in and teach us about the sport of bass fishing and the great fisheries in Iowa. Sometimes we will do field trips to other places as well such as SCHEELS, Do-It Molds, etc.

Competition:

We will do our best to rotate students into a boat to fish in a tournament. Students who have a boat and captain will have first preference at the boat tournaments. Some events/trails we have the anglers will pick their own 2 person teams to fish. Other tournaments we will rotate team members in. We do our absolute BEST to get every angler involved. We also will be doing virtual tournaments and some bank fishing/kayak tournaments where prizes can be won and everyone can fish and compete, even if you don't have access to a boat! As coaches, it's important to us to have fun, teach at whatever skill level the students are at and also compete at a high level in the tournaments.

Awards & Prizes:

Trophies/plaques will be handed out at our team banquet for Angler of the Year, Big Bass and Most Improved Angler. We will also have prizes and giveaways at the tournaments/events and team meetings from our sponsors!

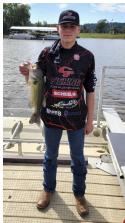
Cost to join the team:

\$125 per angler: payment will cover all of the membership, roster and tournament entry fees for TBF(MLF), BASS Nation and the Iowa Team Championship and our team <u>Fishing Chaos app</u>

Team Jersey Cost (we will send out a separate order form for this):

\$75 for optional non hooded, long sleeved quad fabric team jersey (pics below)
\$85 for optional hooded, long sleeved microwick fabric (lighter) team jersey (pics below)

Jerseys are sublimated printing so they are incredibly durable, lightweight and breathable (sport fit style) and can last 2-3 years if taken care of properly (no heat drying!). This is also a huge way for us to promote our sponsors who donate to the prizes and trophies and costs of running the team!









Other Potential Costs:

A fishing license if 16 or older, fishing gear (we have some donated items if you need help!), hotels/food for away tournaments, any other open tournament you enter outside of our schedule might have its own fees, etc. **Deadline to sign up for the first run of jerseys is Sunday, March 24th.**

Safety & Captains:

*Each boat captain will be required to have personal liability insurance for their boats. The boat owners liability insurance (including coverage for 3rd party property damage & bodily injury) with no "tournament exclusion", having a minimum limit of \$300,000 per occurrence. The insurance must be issued by a reputable insurer rated A or better by A.M. Best and Company.

Since this is not a sanctioned sport we are not covered under CFHS district insurance. We enter these tournaments and events at our own risk. Each tournament will have safety and boating standards that we must follow or risk injury or elimination from competition. Fishing is a sport and thus has inherent risks. Please talk with your student about the importance of listening to the coaches/captains and tournament organizers/directors. Our number one goal is that each boat and boater returns safely at each event. We do not take this lightly. Insurance will be provided for students for the BASS Nation and TBF/MLF events only. Life Jackets are encouraged to be worn at all times. When the combustible motor/engine is ON a life jacket must be ON. When the big motor is off, it is not required to be on.

We have a huge need for boat captains. Without captains, we can't fish in the boat tournaments. Period. If you have a boat and are interested in giving your time to help in this way, please let us know. You will need a background check done and a minimum amount of liability insurance on your boat and must meet all other DNR/coast guard safety requirements for your vessel to be on the water.

Contact Information:

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Head Coach: TJ Norton - titera2003@yahoo.com
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Head Coach: Mark Mayfield - <u>markmayfield21@gmail.com</u>

Team Manager: Tera Norton - titera@gmail.com

Facebook, Instagram & X (Twitter) handles: @CFfishingteam

Team Email: cffishingteam@gmail.com



Team Sign Up (Scan QR Code to the right):

Email cffishingteam@gmail.com your signed paperwork and we will get you added to our communication list(s). We will use the Slack app as our **primary** means of communication with the team, parents/guardians and captains. We will rarely post information for events on social media, those mediums are primarily for promoting the CF Fishing Team.

SIGN UP LINK

Team Member Payment:

*Please include your name and your student's name and what it's for Example: Carter Moore for student Kael Moore - Full team payment with jersey

VENMO PAYMENT LINK

QR CODE for Venmo Payment here

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2024 CF Fishing High School Schedule:

Monday, March 4th (7-8pm) - Informational Meeting at CFHS Auditorium

Thursday, March 21st (7-8pm) - Spring Sports Kickoff at CFHS Gym

Monday, April 8th (530-730pm) - SCHEELS Speed Training Clinic in store!

Saturday, April 20th (10am-2pm) - Kid's Trout Stocking Day - North Prairie Lake

Sunday, April 21st (730-830pm) - Team Meeting - Orchard Hill Church

Saturday, April 27th (7am-3pm) - TBF Iowa Junior & High School State Championship - Lake Okoboji // optional Captain's Tournament on Sunday as well!

Saturday, May 4th (7am-1pm) - Iowa TBF Eastern Division Trail Leg 1 - Lake MacBride

Saturday, May 11th (8am-2pm) - Iowa High School Bass Team Championship - Lake MacBride

Sunday, May 19th (1pm-5pm) - TEAM PICTURES & Kayak/Bank Fishing Tournament 1 - Grundy Lake

Sunday, June 2nd (7am-1pm) - Iowa TBF Eastern Division Trail Leg 2 - Brushy Creek

Saturday and Sunday, June 8th and June 9th (8am-3pm) - Fishing Camp / Skills Training - Cedar Valley Bodies of Water - hosted by Captain Mike Kelly

Sunday, June 16th to Saturday, June 22nd - TBF/MLF National Championship & World Finals - Lake Hartwell, South Carolina (open to all team members)

Saturday, June 29th (7am-1pm): Iowa TBF Eastern Division Trail Leg 3 - Pools 10, 11 & 12 Mississippi River - Launch site Guttenberg Public Ramp

Sunday, June 30th (730-830pm) - Team Meeting - Orchard Hill Church

Sunday, July 28th to Saturday, August 3rd - Bassmaster High School National Championship - Location TBD - Must Qualify through one of the opens below or the State Championship (which already happened this last August)

Saturday, August 17th (7am-1pm) - Iowa TBF Eastern Division Trail Leg 4 - Lake Belva Deer

Sunday, August 18th (730-830pm) - Team Meeting - Orchard Hill Church

Sunday, September 15th (1230-5pm) - Family Grill Out & Bank Fishing/Kayak Tournament 2 - Prairie Lakes

Sunday, September 22nd (730-830pm) - Team Meeting - Orchard Hill Church

Sunday, September 29th (7am-2pm) - BASS Nation High School State Championship - Prairie Du Chien, WI (Pools 9, 10, 11)

Saturday, October 12th (8am-2pm) - Eastern Iowa Bass Battle Triangular with Independence & CR Prairie - Lake Delhi

Sunday, October 20th (5am-7pm) - Team Banquet & Awards - Orchard Hill Church

Virtual Tournaments held monthly from April to October on the Fishing Chaos app for prizes and AOY points

- **All dates are subject to change. We will do everything not to change dates.
- ***Our full schedule will be posted on the CF Fishing Team google calendar and it will be emailed out after team member signs up:

Public Calendar Link

iCal Phone Calendar Link

Full schedule and ALL TEAM COMMUNICATION will be posted in Slack which is the app we use for our team. Click <u>HERE</u> to go to our team Slack page.

Optional Dates:

TBF Western & Central Division Trail Events (tbd) and will likely be posted on our lowa TBF Youth Page <u>HERE</u>

Bassmaster High School National Schedule: https://www.bassmaster.com/schedule/

March 10 - Douglas Lake, Jefferson, Tennessee

May 19 - Sam Rayburn Reservoir, Jasper, Texas

June 9 - Saginaw Bay, Bay City, Michigan

2024 MLF High School Schedule:

https://majorleaguefishing.com/schedule/?c=1000511&y=2024

April 6 - Table Rock Lake-Branson, Mo.

April 27 - Lake Guntersville - Guntersville, Ala.

May 5 - Lake Havasu - Lake Havasu City, Ariz.

June 8 - California Delta - Oakley, Calif.

June 19-21 - NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP at Lake Hartwell - Anderson, S.C.

September 28 - Sam Rayburn Reservoir - Brookeland, Texas

October 19 - Lake Chickamauga - Dayton, Tenn.