

Title: Fundamentals of Fly Fishing

Presented by: Lineworkers

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Dates: Jan 20, Feb 17 and March 16, 2024 (snow date Friday 26, 6-9 pm)

Time: 10 am -12 pm

Applicants Requirements: Age 12- 14 and accompanied by an Adult

Security Deposit for use of Indoor Practice Rod: \$100

Indoor Practice Rod replaced with a Starting Fly Fishing Combo at course completion: valued at over \$300

Objective: This proposal outlines a structured three-session program designed to introduce 12–14-year-old youths to the art of fly fishing. Each session will include a balanced combination of casting practice and educational components, fostering a comprehensive understanding of the basics within a controlled indoor setting.

Program Overview:

Session 1: Introduction and Gear Basics (2 hours)

- Brief introduction to the history and appeal of fly fishing.
- Overview of basic gear: rods, reels, lines, and leaders.
- Demonstration and hands-on experience assembling and handling equipment.
- Casting practice - Basic casting techniques.

Session 2: Understanding Aquatic Ecosystems and Knot Tying (2 hours)

- Introduction to different water bodies and their ecosystems.
- Importance of conservation and responsible fishing practices.
- Essential knots for fly fishing.
- Hands-on knot tying practice.
- Casting practice - Refinement of basic casting techniques.

Session 3: Entomology Basics and Practical Application (2 hours)

- Overview of aquatic insects and their role in fly fishing.
- Identification of common insects and selecting flies.
- Demonstration of Fly Tying
- Importance of catch-and-release practices.
- Practical casting exercises to reinforce skills learned.
- Recap of gear basics and casting techniques.

Logistics:

- Duration: 3 sessions (2 hours each).
- Class Size: 8 students, each accompanied by one adult.
- Location: New Hope Church Gymnasium,
639 S Eighth Street, Mount Horeb, WI 53572

Materials:

- Fly fishing indoor practice rod for each participant that can be taken home.
- Presentation materials for theoretical components.
- Knot tying materials (practice lines, hooks, etc.).
- Casting targets or markers for practical exercises.

Instructors:

- Kalyn Hoggard, Certified fly-fishing casting instructor with experience in youth education for casting skill development
- Fly Fishing Guides contributing to the educational material.

Conclusion: This well-rounded program ensures a balanced and engaging experience for young participants by combining casting practice with educational components. By covering gear basics, aquatic ecosystems, knot tying, and entomology, the program sets the foundation for a comprehensive understanding of fly fishing. The controlled indoor setting allows for a focused learning environment, preparing participants for potential future on-water experiences.



Fundamentals of Fly-Fishing: Student Application Form for 2024

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Contact Information:

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Student Information:

1. Student's Full Name:

2. Age:

3. Home Address:

4. City:

5. State:

6. Zip Code:

7. Email Address:

8. Phone Number:

Emergency Contact Information: 10. Parent/Guardian Full Name:

11. Relationship to Student:

12. Emergency Contact Phone Number:

Accompanying Adult Information:

13. **Accompanying Adult Full Name:**

14. **Relationship to Student:**

15. **Accompanying Adult Email Address:**

16. **Accompanying Adult Phone Number:**

Workshop Details:

17. **Why is the student interested in participating in the Fundamentals of Fly-Fishing workshop? (150 words max):**

18. **Does the student have any previous experience with fishing or fly-fishing? If yes, please provide details:**

Health and Safety:

19. **Does the student have any medical conditions or allergies that we should be aware of? If yes, please provide details:**

20. **Please list any dietary restrictions or preferences for the participant, Food is not provided, however people may bring snacks and beverages.**

Photo Release:

21. I hereby grant permission for the use of photographs or videos taken during the workshop for promotional purposes. (Please check box):

- Yes
- No

Parent/Guardian Consent:

22. I, the undersigned, give consent for my child to participate in the Fundamentals of Fly-Fishing workshop. I understand that all reasonable safety precautions will be taken by the organizers. In the event of an emergency, I can be reached at the provided emergency contact number. (Please check box):

- Yes
- No

Additional Comments or Questions:

23. Please use this space for any additional comments or questions you may have:

Submission:

24. How did you hear about the Fundamentals of Fly-Fishing workshop? (Select one):

- Online Advertisement
- Social Media
- Word of Mouth
- Other (please specify): _____

Important Note: Please ensure that all information provided is accurate and complete. Incomplete applications may affect the selection process.



Parental/Guardian Signature:

25. **By writing and printing my name below, I acknowledge that all information provided in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge:**

Date:

Please return form to Katherine Ford either by email or text message as soon as possible
No Later than Dec 29, 2023.

Thank you for applying to the Fundamentals of Fly-Fishing workshop! We will contact