Fish Camp II

9 am-12 pm Independence Grove Forest Preserve, North Bay Pavilion 16400 Buckley Rd., Libertyville, IL 60048

This summer, we'll start each day with a few group activities, which may include lure making, rigging poles, learning about fish behavior, and casting practice. **All equipment is provided.** Your child will fish for at least 1.5 hours each day with staff and volunteers. All volunteers who work with children are background-checked.

Expect your camper to get dirty and sometimes wet. We'll be in tall grass at times. Long pants and sturdy shoes are advised. Apply sunscreen to your child before camp begins.



Camp checklist

- 16 oz. water or larger
- Hat
- Sunglasses



Monday

Anglers will be able to:

- name five fish in Independence Grove and the best methods for catching them.
- get acquainted and comfortable with equipment, fishing, and each other.
- understand why we catch and release.
- observe how to remove a hook from fish.
- identify criteria for choosing fishing spots.
- improve casting skills.

Tuesday

Anglers will be able to:

- rig both a spinning and closed-face reel and learn about common tackle.
- rig a rubber shad/jig head.
- understand the behaviors and adaptations of the largemouth bass and the northern pike, and the best ways to catch them.

Wednesday

Anglers will be able to:

- rig and understand the Palomar knot and Carolina drop shot rig.
- rig and understand how to use the slip bobber, placed on camp poles for the day.

Thursday (boat fishing day)

Anglers will be able to

- learn how to safely fish from a boat.
- use some of the lures and techniques they designed/learned during the week.

Friday (boat fishing rain date)

Anglers will be able to:

- put line on a spool.
- play a casting game.
- describe the ins and outs of the three-way swivel and barrel sinker for catfishing.

Read This, Too!

We start each day near the North Bay Pavilion and then proceed to either side of the walking/biking lane that runs in a circle around the north bay. Please note: activities may change in the event of time constraints and inclement weather. Cancellations or changes to this camp due to weather will be emailed to the address listed on the camp health form. Call camp director Mark Hurley after 7 am daily at 847-276-5375 with questions and concerns.

