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To: Jimmy Hoffman, Lakeland High School Principal

Via: Dustin Frank, Lakeland High School Assistant Principal

Subj: LAKELAND HIGH SCHOOL BASS FISHING CLUB REQUEST

Ref: (a) Lakeland Joint School District No. 272 Policy, 3225 Student Clubs Equal Access, 14 Dec 2022

Purpose/Objective

Form a Bass Fishing Club at Lakeland High School that supports Lakeland Joint School District No. 272 and Lakeland High School in engaging all students in education, community activities, and athletics as way of improving student performance in academics while reducing the risk of dropping out. The Lakeland High School Bass Fishing Club will provide students with another reason to be excited about school and an opportunity for students to engage in our wonderful community and great outdoors.

Mission

Develop responsible student anglers who value sportsmanship, teamwork, conservation, and respect for the outdoors, structured to support academic and character development. Through outdoor education, team competition, and fellowship, build a community of student anglers fostering respect for nature, ethical conservation, and a lifelong love of the great outdoors, while promoting the preservation and enjoyment of our fisheries for future generations.

Vision

Our vision is to inspire students to grow as responsible leaders and environmental stewards on and off the water, connecting our school with the great outdoors.

Goals

- Recruit all interested and eligible Lakeland High School students of all grade levels with various academic performances to participate in the club.
- Meet once a week during the school year.
- Graduate 100% of active club members.
- Teach angling basics; equipment (rods, reels, line, lures, maps, etc.), fishing line, line selection, line spooling, knot tying, etc.
- Conduct labs (classroom and outdoors) involving angling basics.
- Introduce Bass boats; types, operation, maintenance, boating safety.



- Introduce competitive Bass fishing.
- Provide opportunities for students to connect to the fishing community.
- Develop connections and relationships in the local community to increase awareness of the club and its mission.
- Provide opportunities for students to demonstrate mastery of fishing knowledge/skills.
 - Trivia games
 - Casting contests
 - Club fishing competitions

Very Respectfully,

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