



2024 LHSAA Qualifier 1: Caney Creek Lake, Chatham, LA February 24, 2024

Tournament Director:

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High School Fishing Contacts:

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Competition Waters:

• Caney Creek Lake

Practice:

- Competition waters are open for practice until 5:30 p.m. Feb. 23.
- The purchasing of, or bartering for, information or the hiring of fishing guide services is not permitted after Feb. 13.
- Review rule 4 for complete details.

Boat Operation:

• Contestants are not permitted to drive the boat when the combustion engine is running. Coaches will arrange boat captains to supply and drive boats for their teams. Coaches may also serve as boat captains. Contestants may operate the trolling motor. Coaches and boat captains may provide information about locating and catching fish but are not permitted to fish on competition days.

Catch and Size Limit:

• Five bass per team; minimum 12 inches.

License Requirement:

• A Louisiana fishing license is required for students 16 and older. Click <u>here</u> to purchase.

Format:

• Each LHSAA-approved school may enter up to six boats in each qualifier. The top 20 boats from each qualifier advance to the state championship. One additional boat will advance from each qualifier for every 10 boats that compete over a minimum of 60 boats in the qualifier.

LHSAA Contact:

 Adam MacDowell 225.300.4212 or <u>AMacDowell@lhsaa.org</u>

Registration:

• All teams must register online at_ <u>HighSchoolFishing.org</u> by 5 p.m. Central time Monday, Feb. 19.

On-site Check-in:

- Friday, Feb. 23, 5:30-7 p.m.
- Jimmie Davis State Park 1209 State Park Rd, Chatham, LA 71226
- All contestants and their coaches or boat captains must attend.
- Pretournament meeting immediately following check-in.

Takeoff and Weigh-in:

- Saturday, February 24
- Takeoff: 7 a.m.
- Weigh-in: 3 p.m.
- Jimmie Davis State Park 1209 State Park Rd, Chatham, LA 71226

Items to Bring:

- Signed <u>liability release</u>
- Personal floatation device
- Valid student ID
- Valid fishing license if 16 or older
- Sunscreen & sunglasses
- Rods and reels
- Line cutters & needle-nose pliers
- Lures & tackle
- Rainsuit
- Jersey or shirt representing your school

Rules:

• LHSAA, the Student Angler Federation (SAF) and MLF expect strict adherence to the following rules by all contestants. LHSAA, SAF and MLF also recommend the use of non-puncturing culling clips for marking fish and livewell additives to help promote the healthy release of bass. In the event of an emergency, please call 911 first and then notify the tournament director. Click here for the complete LHSAA Bass Fishing rules.