

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual IL High School Muskie Fishing Tournament will be this fall. This is a cooperative event with other High Schools in Illinois.

Basic rules of the tournament are as follows:

- Locally, the Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter of Muskies Inc. will host a tournament on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Kinkaid Lake. There will be no make-up or alternative dates. Boats should be launched across from the main marina by 6:15 a.m. and teams will meet for the orientation.
- There will be pre-registered student teams of 1 or 2 students in each boat (high school students only). Each high school will set up the process to determine who will represent their school.
- Student teams will provide their own boats and make sure that they are safe to be on the water. An adult must drive the boat and is not allowed to fish.
- All persons in the boat must wear a coast guard approved life jacket the entire time they are on the water. Protective eye wear is mandated for all participants in the boat, including the driver. All boats must go through a safety check prior to the start of the tournament.
- All fish are to be measured, photographed and released.
- The team with the most muskie, in total inches, will be the winner.
- If no muskies are caught, the largest bass will qualify as the winning fish.
- Fishing only allowed by casting with artificial bait. This is a catch and release event.
- All participants agree to behave appropriately, respectfully and comply with all ILDNR rules.
- All students and their families assume all legal and financial responsibilities for their participation.
- The winning high school team will be given a trophy for their school.

There will be a number of boats, comprised of local Muskies Inc. members, supervising this event held on Kinkaid Lake. Students should organize themselves and return the completed bottom permission slips to their HS Principal by September 30, 2016. If you have any questions regarding the event on Kinkaid Lake, please feel free to contact us. Principals please send Jim Beaty your student team's information.

Jim Beaty, Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter of Muskies Inc.

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Student Name	Grade	School
Tournament fishing partner?	Email	
Emergency contact and phone number?		
I have talked with my student about their responsibility in mal	king this a fun, s	safe event and they have my permission.
Parent/Guardian Signature		 Date
Principal's signature		Date