

## 2025 High School Guidelines

### General Information

- Entry fee is \$75.
- Entry fee is nonrefundable/nontransferable once a team is accepted into a tournament.
- Partner changes are due three weeks before the first day of competition — there will be no partner changes allowed after that. If someone cannot fish within three weeks of the tournament, then their partner will fish alone. **The partner change fee is \$50. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- Boat captain changes are due, at the latest, 10 days prior to the tournament.
- If a team is on the waiting list, they can cancel at any time and receive a full refund of their entry fee.
- Any team on the waiting list that is not accepted into a tournament will be refunded following on-site registration the week of the tournament.
- All refunds will be paid back to the card used for the entry fee unless B.A.S.S. is notified that the card has been canceled/expired, and then a refund check will be processed.
- The full field for each tournament is 250 teams.
- All cancellations, refund requests and waiting list cancellations must be submitted via email to [highschool@bassmaster.com](mailto:highschool@bassmaster.com).

### Registration

Group	Registration Starts
All Anglers	Tuesday, December 3, 2024 – 3:00 p.m. CST

- All anglers must have an active B.A.S.S. membership and B.A.S.S. Nation membership. Make sure your memberships are current prior to registration.
- All entries are based on timestamp order — first come, first served.

### Required Paperwork

- Each angler must complete a waiver and W-9 prior to practice through our online signature company.
- The waiver/W-9 document is a two-step process to be completed first by the parent/guardian and then by the angler.
- The boat captain must complete a waiver.
- The waiver/W-9 document only needs to be completed once per season, per trail.
- All anglers and boat captains must submit proof of completion of the Boater Safety Course to the following link:
  - **High School Angler:** <https://eform.pandadoc.com/?eform=17f1a02f-e723-426e-9bb0-5364530d3c50>
  - **High School Boat Captain:** <https://eform.pandadoc.com/?eform=458aab13-7bfb-4d94-a45e-2ce354d7c2bb>

### 2025 High School Championship Qualifications

- The top 10% of teams from each B.A.S.S. run Bassmaster High School tournament qualifies for the High School Championship.
- Each state with an active B.A.S.S. Nation with a minimum of 60 members is allotted two berths to the High School Championship. Any state with an active B.A.S.S. Nation with less

than 60 members will receive one berth to the National Championship to be given away at the State Championship.

- Each high school team trail will receive entries based on their participation. Please consult your sanctioned team trail director for more information.

### 2026 High School Exhibition Qualifications

- The following teams will qualify for the Bassmaster Classic High School Exhibition tournament:
  - The top two finishers from each Bassmaster High School tournament.
  - The Junior National Championship winners

### 2025 Deadline Dates

Tournament	Registration Deadline	Partner Change Deadline	Boat Captain Change Deadline
Harris Chain of Lakes, Fla.	January 5, 2025	January 12, 2025	January 16, 2025
Smith Lake, Ala.	February 8, 2025	February 16, 2025	February 20, 2025
Lake Tenkiller, Okla.	March 9, 2025	March 16, 2025	March 20, 2025
Buggs Island Lake, Va.	April 13, 2025	April 20, 2025	April 24, 2025

### New 2025 High School Rule Requirements

- All anglers must be Boater Safety certified (see above under “Required Paperwork”).
- All boat captains must be Boater Safety certified (see above under “Required Paperwork”).
- All anglers are required to have completed a Boater Safety Course. Proof of completion must be submitted one week before the first day of official practice for the event you are competing in. Any angler and/or boat captain who practices during official practice without submitting proof of a completed boater safety course will be disqualified from the event.