# WELCOME TO FISHLOSOPHY

Fishlosophy is a co-ed Fishing Education Program comprised of camps and private lessons for all ages (camp ages 6-15) and located in nature along the creeks and waterways of Bethesda, Md.

Run by Elliott Brown, Rising Whitman HS Senior, VP of Education for Whitman HS Fishing Club, kid friendly, patient, and highly skilled fisherman versed in teaching all ages fishing and navigation of the creeks and waterways of Bethesda.

As a long term Bethesda resident networked into the DC regional fishing scene, Elliott has the expertise and access to the best local, experienced, and passionate HS instructors to serve this camp.

A fisherman since age 5, Elliott models life skills fostered through a passion for fishing in order to successfully navigate the waterways and various fish of both nature and life. Elliott knows that he doesn't just hook the fish, they hooked him and have carried him through both calm and rough waters.

We emphasize a welcoming environment, teach exceptional life long fishing skills, and build meaningful life skills of patience, perseverance, focus, serenity, and the rewards of connecting to nature. That's where fishing meets life!

We practice catch and release, which means you'll take home photos and memorable experiences over actual fish and learn a respect, appreciation, and awe for these species, their ecosystem, and nature overall.



#### **GET IN TOUCH**

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WE PRIORITIZE A SAFE, KIND, FUN, AND REWARDING ENVIRONMENT.
REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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# FISH CAMP & PRIVATE LESSONS Where Fishing Meets Life

Bethesda, MD



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Summer 2025

**DETAILS** 

### DAILY PROGRAM

**Drop Off-**9am-Campers will be dropped off at 9am to Little Falls Stream Valley Trail (Little Falls & Mass Ave).

**Morning**-Each day will start with hands on, land based education on safety, fishing gear, tackle, bait, technique, and the target fish within the respective region that day.

Mid Morning-We will proceed to different locations within Little Falls Stream Valley Trail by walking the path, hiking marked trails, and wading shallow streams, as we learn about optimal fishing spots and why. Campers will learn and perform casting, rigging, knot tying, how to select tackle and lures and identifying fish.

**Lunch**-12pm-We will break each day at noon to enjoy lunch within nature. Full day campers will eat and collaborate with instructor and one another on what we experienced that morning and plan to tackle that afternoon.

**Afternoon** -1 pm-daily opportunities to explore new fishing environments in the Bethesda region such as streams and creeks at Cabin John Local Park Creek, C & O Canal/Brookmont, Fletchers Cove. Exploring the Bethesda region provides insight into different bodies of water and fishing species right in your backyard. Safe transportation is provided and will stay within Bethesda, Md

Departure-3pm-Campers will return to Little Falls Stream Valley Trail (Little Falls & Mass Ave).
entrance for a 3 pm pickup.

### SAFETY

Safety is paramount and the following measures will be implemented for camper safety:

- Campers will not be swimming or near deep bodies of water. Fishing is primarily in shallow streams and creeks and will be assessed daily based on weather and water level.
- Potomac River will not be accessed during camp beyond the shallow shoreline at designated safe areas. Life jackets provided for all kids.
- Minimum two counselors at all times and 4:1 ratio for campers:counselor
- · Campers will never be unattended
- Adults only will drive campers
- Bathrooms may not always be readily accessible so campers should be prepared to go outside privately if necessary
- Emergency, Medical, & Contact Info will be taken upon registration

### PACKING LIST

Every day, each camper should bring:

- Lunch and refillable water bottle ( we will have extra water)
- Morning snack
- One change of clothes
- Hat Sunscreen and bug spray (spray sunscreen is highly recommended)
- Closed-toe shoes (that can get wet, no flip flops)
- All items brought to camp, including lunch and water bottle, should be labeled with your child's name. All gear should be stowed in a bag with their name on it.





- \$395/week, \$100/full day,\$60/half day
- Full Day M-F, 9am-3pm
- Week 1: Jun 16 Week2: Jun 23
- Ages 6-15 (private lessons for all ages) / Open to all skill levels
- Drop off at 9 am and pick up at 3 pm will be at Little Falls Stream Valley Traff (Little Falls & Mass Ave).
- Travel to/from various streams, will vary each week based on weather, water level etc Locations all within Bethesda:
  - Little Falls Trail Creek
  - Cabin John Local Park Creek
  - C & O Canal/Brookmont & Anglers Inn
  - Willet Branch
  - Fletchers Cove
- If campers are leaving early or arriving late, we will notify you of location via text
- Campers will not be swimming or near deep bodies of water. Fishing is primarily in shallow streams and creeks. Potomac River will be limited to shallow shorelines like Fletchers Cove.
- Transportation within Bethesda to/from Little Falls is provided in a SUV and driven by adult, experienced driver.
- Campers will be provided the bait, rod, line, and hook for use during camp
- Rain Policy: Campers will participate in outdoor activities even while it's raining, unless the weather is deemed unsafe. In case of lightning or thunder, we will seek shelter either indoors or in our vehicle. The campers will remain sheltered for the duration of the inclement weather and for fifteen minutes after the last visual lightning or audible thunder. Alternative Options, such as Glen Echo Aquarium will be considered if bad weather persists