BSA FISHING COURSES at PHILMONT

Two Different Courses are Being Offered

Certified Angling Instructor Course and National CAI Course Director's Conference

These courses were developed and are being directed by the BSA National Fishing Team

PTC courses run Monday at 8am through Friday supper.

Plan to arrive Sunday for registration 2 to 4 pm and leaving Saturday after breakfast.





Certified Angling Instructor Course

Help Your Council, District, Unit Deliver a Quality Fishing Program

This course is designed to give Scouters tools and ideas to get Scouts fishing. We will ignite your desire for introducing Scouts to the wonderful world of fishing. *Boy's Life* survey found that Scouts chose fishing as the fourth most preferred outdoor activity, yet only 35% go fishing within Scouting. You can become a Fishing Advocate for your unit, district and council and utilize fishing as a tool for Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation. Share your passion for fishing.

Course Highlights

- Become recognized as a BSA Certified Angling Instructor, an Official Train the Trainer Certification CS-61. Receive a CAI patch and Certificate.
- Learn basic fishing and fly-fishing skills fly casting, fly tying, where to find fish, knots and how to teach them, and much more. Learn to teach Scouts at every level for recruiting, retention, and advancement.
- As a CAI you will have an opportunity to get fishing and fly-fishing equipment at greatly reduced rates for teaching Scouts.
- You will have three days of classroom study and two days in the backcountry fly-fishing.

Fishing is a Favorite Outdoor Activity for Scouts

Fishing with Scouts is an outdoor activity providing Scouts with fun, skills development, family participation and strongly supports sound conservation awareness. Fishing receives very little support by most councils yet has great opportunity with minimal investment. Most camps offer marginal fishing programs and poor instruction. As a CAI you can make fishing a priority within your scouting world.

Who should attend?

The CAI course is for Scouters (volunteer & professional) who wish to learn how fishing enhances your Council, District and Unit programs, supports current and potential Merit Badge Councilors. Perfect for Cub Scout, Scouts BSA, and Venturing leaders, District and Council program staff plus camp fishing instructors.

The courses provide Rods, fly-tying tools, and materials. (Feel free to bring your own gear and waders.)

Registration Details: Location: Philmont PTC **Dates:** May 7-13, 2023

Price: Special PTC price \$285.00 + Housing (Tents start at \$26 per night. Other options may be available.)

National CAI Course Director's Conference

Help train future Certified Angling Instructors

This train the trainer style conference, facilitated by the BSA National Fishing Team, is designed to develop existing Angling Certified Instructors into a confident CAI Course Directors that will build fun and exciting fishing programs for your council. Plan to join us as together we strive to deliver the promise to youth by offering quality fishing programs.

Course Highlights

- The Certified Angling Instructors (CAI) Director's conference is designed to increase the number of qualified BSA Certified Angling Instructors (CAI) throughout the US.
- You will be provided with a CAI Course manual that provides step-by-step instructions to hold CAI courses for your council and area.
- The course highlights best practices on content delivery, in both the classroom and field.
- Receive instruction, review key methods, and utilize resources available to you.
- Exchange ideas with the Fishing Team Trainers.
- You will have three days of classroom study and two days in the backcountry fly-fishing with the new CAIs helping them to become more successful fly anglers.
- Successful completion of this conference entitles the participant to be a CAI Course Director and after running a course or actively staffing a CAI course to then earn the gold CAI patch.

Who should attend?

Course participants must already be Certified Angling Instructors and registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. Ideally, participants will have served on the staff of at least one CAI course to date.

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Optional for **both** courses: CAI Gear Pricing
COMPLETE FLY FISHING STARTER PACKAGE







Fly Tying Vice Kit w/ Five Tools for \$20.00

Starter Packages may be selected for purchase when you register for the course.