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FISHING PROJECT

Sheboygan County 4-H

PLACES TO GO

- Participate in a local DNR or State Park Program
- A state fish hatchery (Wild Rose, Nevin, Osceola)
- Visit or fish a trout park, [Cedar Springs Trout Fishing](#)
- Attend a large fishing expo <http://wifishingexpo.com/>
- Observe fisheries management in action, such as electro-shocking, stream sampling etc.

WHAT TO MAKE

- Educational exhibit on how the “ear bones” of a fish can be used to determine its age
- Create a poster on how to repair or make a fishing rod
- Discover which fish are popular as sport fish in your local waters
- Use a real fish to learn about the parts of a fish, then create a model and label it
- Visit a tackle shop to learn about different types of rods and reels . Design your own from start to finish
- Practice your casting skills using a "pop can caster". Log your casting skill growth
- Draw a watershed map
- Identify a fish you want to catch and where it lives
- Rig your own fishing rod and explain your reasons for rigging it that way
- Photo display - of fish species caught, or special places you've fished etc.
- Plan a fishing trip with your club and make a list of what you should bring
- Collect and identify some aquatic insects and learn about their importance to the aquatic ecosystem, especially for fish
- Fishing related collection - antique lures, old reels, manufacturer patches, memorabilia etc.
- Demonstrate what responsible anglers do when they catch a fish



WATCH OUR
FISHING PROJECT VIDEO :



<https://youtu.be/CPm6GPhgojw>

WAYS TO VOLUNTEER

- Help clean-up your local pond, lake or river
- Create a fishing line disposal site at popular fishing holes near you.
- Assist at a special fishing day event
- Conduct a fish fry to raise funds for a worthy cause

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Department 16 – Natural Sciences

CLASS B - FISHING Lot Nos. 7-11

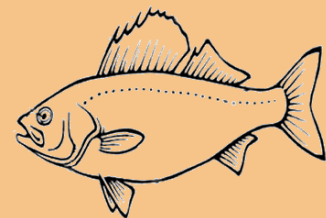
Description:

7. Lure Display on flat wooden 2'x 2' board – 4 jigs, 4 spoons, 4 spinners, 4 crank baits, 2 musky plugs
8. Fish ID guessing game – poster - fish pictures – fish names with flip
9. Poster - Tips for catch & release, 5 tips
10. Fishing log or record – keep records of fishing trips with photos, a brief description of what was learned or tried, weather conditions, lake conditions, types of fish caught, etc.
11. Any other display related to fishing project



SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

- What are the best strategies for selecting equipment, accessories or techniques for the species and location?
- How will weather and water conditions affect fishing?
- What causes fish to bite?
- How does a change in habitat affect the fish population?
- Explain the food chain of a particular pond, lake or river.



LOCAL CONNECTIONS

[Lake-Link Fishing Reports](#)

[Sheboygan County Lake Public Access Points](#)

[Terry's Bait Bucket, Plymouth, WI](#)

[Anglers Avenue, Sheboygan, WI](#)

[Sheboygan Fishing Guy Website](#)

WI 4-H AND STATEWIDE RESOURCES

...to the Fishing Project can be found at

<https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hprojects/natural-sciences/fishing/>

Learn more about Sheboygan County 4-H at <https://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/> or by calling the Sheboygan County 4-H office at 920-459-5903