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HOOKED ON FISHING-NOT ON DRUGS
Mike Harrison, President VBBFC
P.O. Box 3826
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Dear Parents / Legal Guardians:

On behalf of the Virginia Beach Bluewater Fishing Club, your child was selected to participate in HOOKED ON FISHING-NOT ON DRUGS -**Youth Fishing Experience**. This event is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 18, 2025**, from 8:00 am – 5:30 pm and will commence at the Virginia Beach Law Enforcement Training Academy (Training Academy) located at 411 Integrity Way, Virginia Beach (corner of 19th Street and Birdneck Road).

The HOOKED-ON FISHING-NOT ON DRUGS is a charitable event in its 33rd year and made possible thru sponsors, donations and volunteers. Participants from the ages 8 to 12 years old will include local children from all ethnic, social and economic backgrounds and this event is **Free of Charge**. Participants will not require any monies during the day as all food, drinks and snacks and activities will be provided for them. **All that is required per participant is a completed and signed registration and permission form by May 2nd, 2025. Availability is on a first come, first served basis. There was an overflow of late registrants last year that regrettably could not go - so please turn in the permission form as soon as possible.**

Registration and check in will be from 8:00 am to 8:50 am at the Training Academy. **You must remain with your child until the registration process is completed.** The program will start promptly at 9:00 am. This year's format will include several fishing related seminars from 9:00 am until 11:00 am at the Training Academy. A complimentary lunch will follow with a noon departure to the Virginia Beach Fishing Center via bus where your child will board a boat for their fishing experience on the Chesapeake Bay. The boats will leave the Fishing Center at approximately 12:00 pm and will return at approximately 4:00 pm. The children will return to the Training Academy via bus where a cookout and an award ceremony await them. The event will end by 5:30 pm. **Please make sure you pick up your child by 5:30 p.m. We will be checking driver's licenses at pick up, so make sure you indicate on the permission slip if another person is authorized to pick up your child if you cannot be there.**

Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the fishing trip (e.g. rubber soled shoes, hat, shorts and t-shirt depending upon the temperature). **Sun block and preparations for seasickness & prescribed medications are highly recommended.**

From time to time, the Virginia Beach Bluewater Fishing Club takes pictures of the children during the HOFNOD Youth Fishing Experience. The purpose of the pictures is for news and social media, advertising, encouraging the public's participation, and sponsorship support. **Please contact us and let us know if you do not want your child photographed. "No response" indicates permission for your child's picture to be taken.**

In the event of inclement weather and the boats cannot fish the day of event the seminars in the morning will continue as planned and the group will tour the Virginia Beach Aquarium in the afternoon instead of the fishing trip. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing your child at the fishing event.

Sincerely,

Robert McBride
Vice President, VBBFC
(757) 708-1650
rmcbride@vbgov.com

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Hooked on Fishing Not on Drugs- Youth Fishing Day

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

VB Law Enforcement Training Academy

411 Integrity Way, Virginia Beach, VA 23451

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Permission Slip

PLEASE USE PEN TO PRINT AND SIGN

Student Name: _____ Age: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____
Person Authorized to Pick Up Child (State Issued Identification Required) _____

Address/Phone: _____
Street Address City, State, Zip

Home # _____ Cell # _____ Email: _____

School/Organization: _____

Emergency Contact
On day of event: _____ Phone _____
(Someone other than Parent)

Child's T-Shirt Size: Youth-Med Youth-Large Adult-Small Adult-Medium Adult-Large
(CIRCLE ONE)

PERMISSION, RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I understand and agree that I, as parent/legal guardian of the above-named child and fully understanding the inherent risks and dangers associated with the above named child participating in this program, do hold harmless and indemnify the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office, HOF-NOD Inc., Virginia Beach Fishing Center, volunteers, crew members and owner of the vessels from which my child fishes from and against any and all claims, losses, or expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses suffered by any indemnified party or entity as the result of claims or suits due to, arising out of or in connection with any and all such damages, real or alleged in connection with my child's participation in the fishing activities arranged by the Virginia Beach Bluewater Fishing Club. **Medications must be in zip lock bag marked with child's name.**

In consideration of the right to participate in these events and activities to include a bus ride from the Law Enforcement Training Center to the Virginia Beach Fishing Center and back, and in the services and food arranged for this child, I have and do hereby assume all risks on behalf of said child. It is further my intent that the terms hereof shall serve as a release, waiver of liability, hold harmless and assumption of risk for not only for this child and myself, but for the child's heirs, executors and administrators and for all members of the child's family.

During this event, pictures may be taken of your child participating in the fishing activities. These photos may be shared on social media and/or published by the news media. Please contact us if you do not want your child photographed. No response indicates permission for your child's picture to be taken and shared/published.

My son/daughter _____ Date of Birth _____ has my permission to participate in the H.O.F.N.O.D. Youth Fishing Day.

Date _____ Parent Signature _____

**PLEASE RETURN THIS SIGNED PERMISSION SLIP TO YOUR SCHOOL COORDINATOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
OR**

Faxed to: (757) 265-9334 or email to: rmcbride@vbgov.com

No Later Than May 2, 2025

(Note): There must be a signed permission slip per child.

An email will be sent for conformation once we receive your permission slip.