



To: Qualifying Schools and Alternates for the IHSA Bass Fishing State Finals
From: Chris Schwarz
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Greetings from the Illinois High School Association and congratulations on your school's qualification for the IHSA Bass Fishing Sectional, scheduled for May 22nd at various sites across the state. The purpose of this memo is to provide some important tournament information and reminders to help your school with planning for the event.

- 1. Qualifiers and Alternate Qualifiers:** In accordance with the Bass Fishing Terms and Conditions, the 7th place finisher at each regional will serve as the alternate qualifier for that regional (assuming, of course, that at least 6 boats caught fish at a given regional). The 7th place boat will only participate at the sectional if 1 of the 6 qualifying boats from the regional in which your school participated withdraws by May 21, 2025. Our office has instructed the qualifying boats from your regional of this deadline to withdraw. If one of the boats does withdraw, we will contact your school to inform them of this change and see if your boat is able to participate in that boat's place. There is no need to contact us before or on the 21st. If an opening occurs from your regional, either Chris Schwarz (cschwarz@ihsa.org) or Emma Carstens (ecarstens@ihsa.org) will contact your school.
- 2. Sectional Sites:** The tournament manager from your sectional will be in contact with your school to provide additional details and information. The top 10 boats from each sectional will advance to the state tournament at Lake Shelbyville, June 6-7.

1. Clinton Lake	2. Lake of Egypt	3. Mississippi River (P13)	4. Chain O' Lakes (South)	5. Lake Springfield	6. Des Plaines River
Lake Bloomington	Crab Orchard	Pierce Lake	Chain O' Lakes (North)	Banner Marsh (Johnson Lake)	Heidecke Lake
Evergreen Lake	Kinkaid Lake	Mississippi River (P 14)	Busse Woods (Main)	Lake Jacksonville	Braidwood Lake
Lake Mattoon	Forbes Lake	Mississippi River (P18)	Busse Woods (South)	Lake Sangchris	Cal Sag Channel
Newton Lake	Rend Lake	Lake McMaster	Skokie Lagoons	Coffeen Lake	Wolf Lake
Lake Decatur	Peabody River King (Beaver Lake)	Apple Canyon Lake	Shabbona Lake	Pittsfield Lake	Tampier Lake