

# Carroll Bass Team

## Mission Statement

## & Frequently Asked Questions



**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Carroll Bass Team is to grow the love for the sport of angling, and instill a respect for nature, wildlife, and the environment, while promoting academic excellence, encouraging community outreach and providing a safe and supportive experience for its members.

### Frequently Asked Questions:

1. Who may join? The Carroll Bass Team is a fishing club for 7-12 graders attending school in the Carroll Independent School District.
2. Is the Carroll Bass Team a UIL sport? No, the Carroll Bass Team is a 501c7 non-profit organization run by a Board of Officers who work closely with the Carroll Bass Team, and Carroll ISD staff. The Carroll Bass Team, however, will adhere to UIL standards regarding eligibility and conduct. The Carroll Bass Team will also utilize the Carroll ISD Code of Conduct for discipline issues.
3. Is there only one team, or is it divided into Varsity and JV teams? Although the Carroll Bass Team is not divided into Varsity and JV teams, all anglers will be placed on one of two teams: The Competition Team, or the Club Team.
  - The Club Team will be comprised of those members in grades 7-12 who will only participate in team sponsored tournaments. All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are only eligible to be on the Club Team. No membership in the Texas High School Bass Association (THSBA) is required to participate on this team.
  - The Competition Team will be comprised of those members in grades 9-12 who wish to participate in competitive fishing tournaments through the THSBA. Due to THSBA rules, no 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> graders may participate on this team, regardless of their skill level. Membership in the THSBA is required to participate on this team.
4. Where does the team compete? The Carroll Bass Team's Competition Team will compete in the "Metroplex" Division of the Texas High School Bass Association (THSBA). The Club Team will compete in team sponsored monthly tournaments via the Tourney X App. (Please see Tourney X App tutorial for instructions on how to access.)
5. Can all Carroll Bass Team members participate in the tournaments hosted by the THSBA? No, only 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders on the Competition Team may participate in the THSBA tournaments.

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6. Are there requirements (besides grade level) for anglers wishing to participate on the Competition Team? Yes, members of the Competition Team must have use of a THSBA approved boat, fish in pairs, and have the same partner all season. Pairs must have a Carroll ISD approved volunteer "Boat Captain." Boat Captains must be adults willing to operate the bass boats and supervise the angler pairs in their boats. All anglers must have a current State of Texas fishing license. Detailed descriptions of angler, boat and Boat Captain requirements can be found on the THSBA website: [www.texashighschoolbassassn.com](http://www.texashighschoolbassassn.com)
7. Will the Carroll Bass Team have regularly scheduled practices or meetings? No
8. Can a member of the Carroll Bass Team earn a Varsity letter? Yes, at the end of each competition season, anglers in grades 9-12 on either the Club Team or the Competition Team may submit an application to earn a Varsity letter. (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are not eligible to earn a Varsity letter.) Requirements for earning a Varsity letter will be posted near the end of the season. The CISD faculty advisor will review the applications and make the final determination on which anglers earned a Varsity letter.
9. When is the official team season? The team's season runs from October through May.
10. Where are the competitive tournaments held? The THSBA tournaments are held at lakes around and outside of the DFW Metroplex area including: Lake Ray Hubbard, Lake Texoma, Lake Tawakoni, and Lake Lewisville.
11. What other schools or teams compete in the THSBA Metroplex Division? Grapevine, Highland Park, Flower Mound, Argyle, Allen, Rowlett, Lake Dallas, Trinity Christian, Paradise, Flower Mound Marcus, Northwest, Lakeland Christian, Prince of Peace, Jesuit, Eaton, Lewisville, Cedar Hill, Midlothian, Mansfield, Boswell, Midlothian Heritage, Mansfield Legacy, Waxahachie, Colleyville Heritage, Fossil Ridge, Maypearl, Dallas Christian, Palmer, Arlington, Arlington Martin, Italy, Sunnyvale, and North Texas BassCats
12. Can students participate on the Carroll Bass Team while still competing in other sports? Yes, students may attend only those events that work with their busy schedules.
13. Are members with different fishing abilities welcome? Yes, all skill levels are welcome!