



# FIFTH ANNUAL ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL MUSKIE TOURNAMENT

Sunday, October 14, 2018



## The Shawnee Muskie Hunters Chapter of Muskies, Inc. and the IMTT are pleased to sponsor the Fifth Annual Illinois High School Muskie Tournament

- No entry fees
- Open opportunity to any High School in Illinois to participate in a local Muskie fishing event
- Held on Prairie Lake (Site M) in Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish and Wildlife Area
  - Located in Cass County, 8 miles north of Ashland and 40 miles northwest of Springfield
  - 190 acre lake is one of the top muskie lakes in Central Illinois
  - Loaner nets and bump Boards provided
  - 10 HP limit. Larger motors can be run but must maintain “no wake” speeds
- Participation does not influence IHSA bass program eligibility

**TOURNAMENT DATE:** Sunday, October 14, 2018, 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM

**TOURNAMENT LOCATION:** Prairie Lake main boat launch area:  
<https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/Parks/Documents/JEPCSiteMap.pdf>

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Friday, October 5th, 2018 (Registration form available on our website)

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Additional Information and Registration Forms: <http://www.shawneemuskiehunters.org>

### TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND RULES

- 1 or 2 participating teams per school. Participants must currently be in grades 9-12. Each team will be comprised of one or two students and one adult.
- Student teams will provide their own boats and make sure that they are safe to be on the water. An adult must operate the boat and is not allowed to fish. All persons in the boat must wear a Coast Guard approved life jacket the entire time they are on the water. Protective eye wear is mandated for all participants in the boat, including the driver. All boats must go through a safety check prior to the start of the tournament. (See our website for the boat safety check list.)
- All fish are to be measured, photographed and released. The team with the most muskie, in total inches, will be the winner. If no muskies are caught, the largest bass will qualify as the winning fish. Fishing only allowed by casting with artificial bait.
- All participants agree to behave appropriately, respectfully and comply with all ILDNR rules. All students and their families assume all legal and financial responsibilities for their participation.
- The winning high school team will be given a trophy for their school. Individual trophies for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams.