**Membership Contract 2023-2024 Season**

Membership into the Seminole Junior Anglers (SJA) Fishing organization is open to registered students of any Central Florida High School. Our goal is to create a great opportunity for high school aged anglers to experience fishing in a tournament environment, and we have a lot of fun!

Membership does, however, come with an extensive amount of responsibility and time commitment from the Anglers that participate. I urge you to review this contract closely as well as the schedule of events prior to deciding if this organization is the right fit for you.

Seminole Junior Anglers Objectives, Financial Obligations, and Rules/Regulations are as follows:

**AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:**

• To promote and encourage the sport of angling regardless of ability.

• To educate and encourage anglers in the conservation of fish species

 and numbers.

• To encourage the act of safe handling and return to the water where
 caught with minimum stress of all fish.

• To encourage anglers in the protection and conservation of their angling
 environment and its ecology.

• To ensure an on-going commitment to the fair treatment of all anglers
 within a tournament setting.

**FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS:**

• Membership Dues are listed below:

**•** **$1,100**

• Dues must be paid no later than **August 31th, 2023**

• Dues cover membership to BASS and FL Bass Nation, membership to Fishing Chaos,
 1 tournament jersey, 1 tournament hoodie, tournament entry fees, Oakley Sunglasses,
 Sponsor t-shirt, Hat, MudHole Rod and more

• State Tournament Fees are included (if angler fishes all events)

• Hotels will not be covered. Parents and Captains will book their own lodging.
 B.A.S.S. Nation will send out information on hotel blocks, we also suggest looking at
 rental houses.

• Tournament Fundraising Fee of $200 is included in the dues. This insures SJA gets
 100% participation in our only fundraising event of the year. This event will be held the
 beginning of 2024.

• The Anglers are responsible for supplying their own equipment.

**RULES/REGULATIONS**

• Anglers are required to act respectful and practice good sportsmanship toward
 all Anglers on this team, other organizations, and captains. Any Angler that does
 not meet this condition ***are subject to immediate dismissal.***

• Anglers are expected to maintain a serious approach to learning, listen to
 instruction from captains and guest speakers, and follow all rules during
 tournaments.

• Anglers must conduct themselves in an appropriate manner at school and all
 school functions.

• Anglers must maintain a 2.5 GPA each quarter to participate in tournaments.
 Grades are due to Coach Troy following the end of each quarter. Failure to
 receive a 2.5 GPA per quarter OR maintain an overall 2.5 GPA may result in
 ineligibility to participate in tournaments until grades are improved. **Anglers are
 students first!!**

• Anglers must conduct themselves in an appropriate manner when representing
 the organization and wearing jerseys, team shirts, etc. This includes on social
 media accounts.

• It is the full responsibility of the Angler to remain informed about all tournaments and
 events. This means Anglers and parents must join the GroupMe. An up-to-date
 schedule is available at all times on the Seminole Junior Anglers website
 (SeminoleJuniorAnglers.org) ***Coach Troy will not chase anglers about
 tournaments or events for any reason.***

• Anglers are required to attend **ALL** meetings unless prior arrangements have
 been made with Coach Troy. Attendance will be kept and excessive unexcused
 absences may impact eligibility to participate in future events.

• Anglers who miss more than 2 unexcused tournaments during the season are
 subject to dismissal OR inability to return for future seasons.

• Anglers are required to assist with and attend ALL fundraising and volunteer
 events. Failure to participate or attend may be subject to dismissal or requirement
 of additional dues to be paid.

• Anglers are responsible for finding/providing their own captains. If anglers do not
 know anyone who is a captain/boat owner, it is encouraged to attempt to secure a
 captain prior to joining the organization.

• The Anglers will be responsible for offering their tournament captain compensation
 for their time and gas used to travel to the tournaments and run their boats
 (approx. $60/tournament).

• If an Angler is unable to attend any event, the Angler must provide a reason and notify
 Coach Troy no less than **two weeks in advance.** You must also provide Coach Troy
 the name of your captain, no less than two weeks in advance of a tournament. If
 you do not notify Coach Troy of your captain, you will not be registered for the event.

• Student anglers are responsible for seeking out local sponsorship opportunities
 for the organization. It is essential for the members to understand that the more
 local involvement we have the more that the organization can decrease Angler
 expenses for travel, jerseys, etc. associated with participating in tournaments.

• Coach Troy will handle securing and managing all PRODUCT sponsorships for the
 organization. Anglers and parents should not approach companies for bait,
 tackle, or apparel sponsorships for Seminole Junior Anglers without approval.

• Anglers are expected to represent and promote Seminole Junior Angler's
 sponsors at tournaments and events. Sponsorships are a business
 relationship which the company must see a benefit in supporting us to continue to
 provide discounts and donations.

• If your partner is dismissed or chooses to leave on his or her own, the remaining
 angler is responsible for finding a new partner to fish with. It is not the organizations
 responsibility to find the angler a new partner. Fishing alone must be approved by
 Coach Troy and FL BASS Nation.

**• Dues will not be refunded at any point during the season.** This includes, but is not limited
 to the following reasons:

• Dismissal due to poor sportsmanship

• Dismissal due to attendance or grades

• Inability to find a captain or partner

• Partner dismissal or voluntary departure from the organization

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

• Seminole Junior Anglers operates two social media accounts and a website:

• lnstagram: @SeminoleJuniorAnglers

• Facebook: Facebook.com/SeminoleJuniorAnglers

• Website: SeminoleJuniorAnglers.org

• Having a social media presence is key to securing sponsorships, and provides the
 anglers the ability to be seen by potential college teams.

• Review and sign the below release to be featured on our social media and website
 accounts

I agree to allow Seminole Junior Anglers to post and tag me photos of myself on their social media and website accounts

Angler Initials \_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Initials \_\_\_\_\_

**It is the responsibility of all Anglers and parents to read and familiarize themselves with the contract of the Seminole Junior Anglers.**

**Please sign as appropriate below and return to Coach Troy or email scanned signature
page to** **seminolejunioranglers@gmail.com** **by August 25th.**

I (parent/guardian - print name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

have reviewed the attached contract, and I understand fully the expectations of the organization and the responsibilities of my son's/daughter's/charge's participation.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date:

I (angler - print name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
have reviewed the attached contract, and I understand fully the expectations of the organization and the responsibilities of my participation. I agree to follow the rules/regulations and assist the organization in fulfilling its objectives during the 2023-2024 season.

Angler Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: