

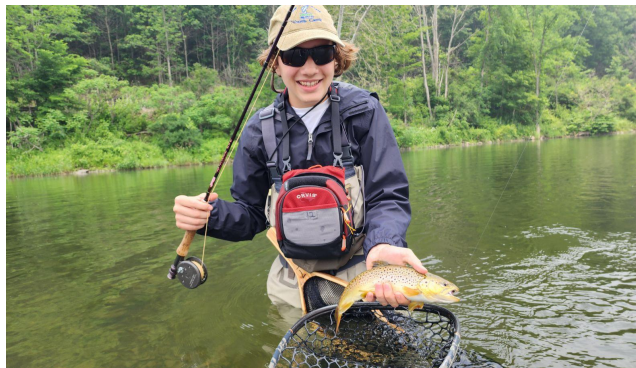
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## ABOUT THE CAMP

- Three healthy meals and snacks are provided each day starting with Sunday evening dinner and concluding with a family lunch on Friday.
- Lessons are presented on fly tying, fly fishing, entomology, ecology, and conservation.
- The camp is fully insured by the National Trout Unlimited organization.
- Each evening campers have one-on-one stream experiences with veteran Delaware River anglers.
- Presenters include some of the top professional guides, fly tiers, and authors from the Catskill area.
- All camp personnel have been background checked and vetted by TU national.
- Campers get to experience fly fishing for wild trout in the Catskills, birthplace of American fly fishing.

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## THE TASK OF PRESERVING OUR COLD WATER FISHERIES LIES WITH OUR YOUTH



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## TROUT WATERS YOUTH CAMP 2024

JUNE 23-28

for Girls & Boys 14-17



The New York State Council is proud to host the 2024 Trout Water Youth Camp at Big Valley Lodge. This is near the West Branch of the Delaware River at Hale Eddy, NY. The Camp will start Sunday, June 23 and conclude Friday, June 28.

## The Delaware River system

The Delaware River system is composed of the East Branch, West Branch, and Main Stem of the Delaware River. The entire system is influenced by cold water releases from two large New York City reservoirs, the Pepacton and Canonsville dams. These dams produce one of the top tail water trout fisheries East of the Rockies. The cold water produces heavy insect hatches supporting a trophy trout population. This combination attracts fishermen from all over the country. The fishing is rarely easy here, but anglers have the opportunity to catch wild fish famous for their strength and fighting ability. Students will get to fish various areas in the Delaware system and hone their skills on some of the most selective trout found anywhere.

Fly fishing, a Lifetime Sport for a Lifetime of Fun !!!



## Trout Waters Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the following with your application.

- A written essay by the applicant stating why they would like to attend the camp and what they hope to get out of the experience.
- A recommendation from a school counselor or science teacher to include their name, email, and phone number.
- All applicants must be at least 14 years old.
- Applications are due on or before May 15, 2024. Applications will be reviewed and applicants will be notified shortly after that date.
- Total cost for tuition, food, and board is \$650.00. ( paid after acceptance )

**Send completed application to:**

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**244 Quarry St.**

**Cobleskill, NY 12043**

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