
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. All equipment, lodging and meals provided.
- 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.
- (Photos by Dan Hucko

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



TROUT WATERS YOUTH CAMP 2025

July 6 thru 11

for Girls & Boys 14-17



The New York State Council is proud to host the 2025 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, July 6 and conclude Friday, July 11.

The Delaware River

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 fly fishers 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 by July 6.
- Applications are due on or before May 15, 2025. Applications will be reviewed and applicants will be notified shortly after that date.
- Total cost for tuition, food, and board is \$800.00 (paid after acceptance)

Send completed application to:

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