

SOUTHPORT FISHING SCHOOL ITINERARY

7:00-8:30:	Registration / Breakfast	12:00-1:00:	BBQ Lunch
7:50-8:15:	Morning Introduction	1:00-2:00:	Session IV
8:30-9:30:	Session I	2:15-3:15:	Session V
9:45-10:45:	Session II	3:30-4:30:	Session VI
11:00-12:00:	Session III	4:30-5:00:	Door Prizes / Wrap

7:50-8:15 / Morning Introduction

8:30-9:30 / Session I

Main Seminar I—Speckled Trout

More and bigger trout; Patterning behaviors; Artificial and live bait tactics that produce.

Main Seminar II—Offshore Bottom Fishing

Bait and lure tactics; Live and dead baits; Anchoring vs. drifting; Locating structure.

Hands-On A (Room 1)—Trolling and Casting for Spanish Mackerel

Hands-On B (Room 2)—Black Drum Tactics

Hands-On C (Room 3)—Spring & Summer Redfishing

Hands-On D (Room 4)—Trolling 10+ Miles: Planning, Rigs, & Techniques

Outdoor Terrace 1—Reading the Surf Shoreline

Outdoor Terrace 2—Cast Nets (4-8' nets)

9:45-10:45 / Session II

Main Seminar I—Bonito & Albacore

Trolling to find fish; Best casting techniques; Jigging possibilities; Overcoming finicky fish.

Main Seminar II—Spring Blue Water: Wahoo, Blackfins, & Mahi

Bait and artificial trolling; Fishing from the surface to the seafloor; Simple spreads.

Hands-On A (Room 1)—Everything Grouper: Gags, Reds, and Scamps

Hands-On B (Room 2)—Nearshore AR Fishing

Hands-On C (Room 3)—Inshore Dock Fishing

Hands-On D (Room 4)—Live Bait for Flounder

Outdoor Terrace 1—Kayak Fishing Gear & Rigging

Outdoor Terrace 2—Cast Nets (4-8' nets)

11:00-12:00 / Session III

Main Seminar I—Red Drum

Artificial v. natural bait strategies; Analyzing current, structure, and surroundings to find feeding fish.

Main Seminar II—King Mackerel

Utilizing live bait for smoker kings; Dead bait strategies; Slow trolling insights and anchoring options.

Hands-On A (Room 1)—Locating & Catching Sheepshead

Hands-On B (Room 2)—Speckled Trout on Artificials

Hands-On C (Room 3)—Bluewater Meat Fishing

Hands-On D (Room 4)—Cobia Casting & Baiting

Outdoor Terrace 1—Surf Fishing for Variety

Outdoor Terrace 2—Cast Nets (4-8' nets)

12:00-1:00 / BBQ Lunch

12:15-12:45 / Lunch Mini-Sessions

Cast Nets (Outdoor Terrace 1)
Basic Inshore Fishing Knots (Room 1)
Basic Nearshore Fishing Knots (Room 2)
Rigging Offshore Trolling Baits (Room 3)
Rod & Reel Maintenance (Room 4)

1:00-2:00 / Session IV

Main Seminar I—Black Drum & Sheepshead

Locating productive areas; Best bait choices depending on season; Boat positioning.

Main Seminar II—Summer Mahi

All the when's, where's and how's; Small boat spreads for maximum production.

Hands-On A (Room 1)—Spanish & Bonito & Albacore Sight Casting & Trolling

Hands-On B (Room 2)—Artificials for Flounder

Hands-On C (Room 3)—Hard & Soft Baits for Trout

Hands-On D (Room 4)—Billfish: Sails, Whites, and Blues

Outdoor Terrace 1—Kayak Fishing in Area Creeks

Outdoor Terrace 2—Cast Nets (4-8' nets)

2:15-3:15 / Session V

Main Seminar I—Spanish Mackerel

Insights into spoons, planers, and birds; Capitalizing on casting opportunities.

Main Seminar II—Summer Blue Water: Blackfins, Mahi, Sails, Whites, & Blues

Bait and artificial trolling; Fishing from the surface to the seafloor; Simple spreads.

Hands-On A (Room 1)—Redfishing Around Structure

Hands-On B (Room 2)—Keeper Sea Bass (& grunts & porgies & more)

Hands-On C (Room 3)—Targeting Keeper Black Drum

Hands-On D (Room 4)—Live Baiting for Big Kings

Outdoor Terrace 1—Light Tackle Surf Fishing

Outdoor Terrace 2—Cast Nets (4-8' nets)

3:30-4:30 / Session VI

Main Seminar I—Inshore Variety: Inside the Inlets

Finding available targets no matter the conditions; Bait and artificial options to find feeding fish.

Main Seminar II—Nearshore/Offshore Variety: Outside the Inlets

Trolling and bottom fishing with baits and lures; Versatility and options throughout the calendar.

Hands-On A (Room 1)—Topwaters: Searching & Targeting

Hands-On B (Room 2)—Mahi 101 Techniques for Gaffers

Hands-On C (Room 3)—Offshore Grouper & Light Lining

Hands-On D (Room 4)—Early Fall Citation Red Drum

Outdoor Terrace 1—Kayak Fishing Around Structure

Outdoor Terrace 2—Cast Nets (4-8' nets)

4:30-5:00 / Open House / Door Prizes / Wrap Up