## 2016 Student Angler Federation Northern Conference Championship Held on Lake Champlain



From the NYTBF for immediate release.....October 23, 2016..... On Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup>, the NYTBF hosted the Student Angler Federation Northern Conference Championship on Lake Champlain out of the Ticonderoga Town Boat Launch. Twelve high schools teams of 2 students from 11 states and Ontario competed for a chance to represent their high school at the High School National Championship next year. The event was hosted by the Town of Ticonderoga and the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism (ROOST).

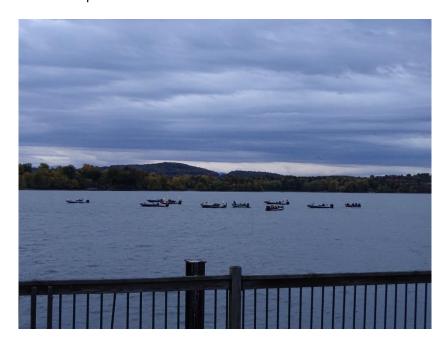
Each of the high school teams had to qualify and win their state competition to be eligible to fish the Conference Championship. Every angler should be congratulated for earning their chance to compete. Many of the anglers were accompanied by their parents and siblings, making the event a real family affair for all to enjoy. While the teams were out competing, many of the families were exploring the historic Ticonderoga area.



The New York team of Perry Marvin and Alex Lawliss, representing the Peru Central High School, won the event with five fish for 17.55 pounds. Perry and Alex will now move on to the SAF High School

National Championship with a chance to become the national high school champions. This is the second time that Perry has competed in the event and this time the team hopes to fair better.

In second place was the New Jersey team of Dylan Hartman and Ryan DeGraw representing the NJ HS Fishing Team. They weighed in a limit of five fish for 16.30 pounds. And in third place, representing the Tunstal Trojans from Virginia, was the team of Landon Siggers and Jacob Johnson. They had a limit of 5 fish that weighed in at 15.85 pounds.



High school teams made the decisions on fishing locations and techniques. Each of the represented states and province made arrangements to provide a boat and boat captain for the tournament. The boat captain, usually their high school coach or family member, was then responsible to drive the boat to the anglers' desired fishing locations. Once at the location, the teams operated the trolling motor and controlled all fishing activities.

More information about the High School Fishing program and full results can be found at: <a href="http://www.highschoolfishing.org/">http://www.highschoolfishing.org/</a>

**About the NYTBF** - New York The Bass Federation (NYTBF) is an affiliate state chapter of The Bass Federation, the original grass roots bass fishing organization whose motto "Owned by those we serve, dedicated to the sport of fishing" embodies the very essence of who we are and what we do. Our organization is committed to providing something for people of all ages and gender. We offer youth, high school, collegiate, adult and team tournaments, you need not own a boat to participate and regardless of your on the water experience we're certain you'll find like-minded folks within our group. We fish all across the state and with the support of our local and national sponsors we're pleased to offer area anglers additional opportunities to enjoy New York's diverse bass fishery.

More information can be found on our website at: <a href="http://www.nythebassfederation.com/">http://www.nythebassfederation.com/</a>