

HOMESCHOOL PROGRAM

Boating & Fishing

January 2026

Palm Harbor, FL

Ages 8-18



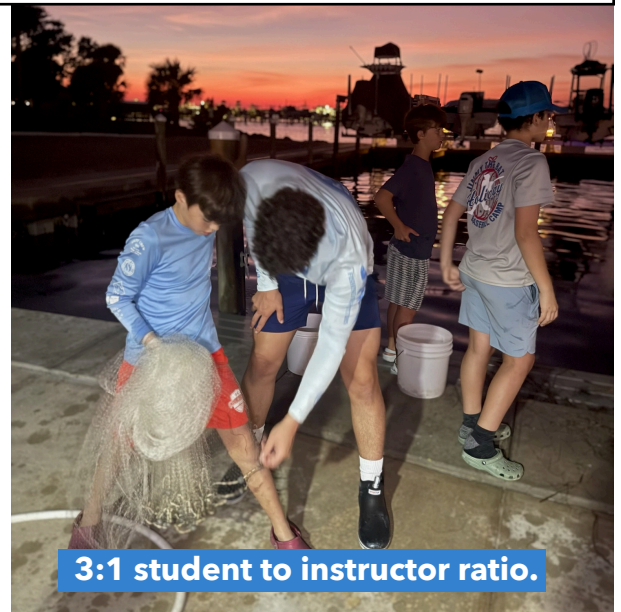
FIRST MATE ACADEMY

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Direct Provider



*See website for courses, registration & more details.



3:1 student to instructor ratio.

Curriculum-Based Courses

FIRST MATE ACADEMY provides year-round, curriculum-based youth marine education and training where **students gain proficiency as second in command** (to the Captain of a chartered vessel). Students earn a progression of FIRST MATE certifications paving way to achieving a Captains License.

Safe Teen Boaters Course

Additionally, FIRST MATE ACADEMY is the sole provider of the *Safe Teen Boaters Course* where **teens are prepared in-person with hands-on boat training** from USCG Captains and professional First Mates. Students learn and practice critical skills often forgotten or overlooked during stressful circumstances.

Your teen will gain **confidence, responsibility** and, most importantly, the ability to implement **safety protocols** while operating a power-driven vessel.

Who: Ages 8-18 (co-ed)

What: FIRST MATE skills (boating & fishing)

When: Jan 6 - Feb 11(6 classes)

Where: Speckled Trout Marina (Ozona)
370 Bayshore Drive
Palm Harbor, FL 34683

Days/Time: TUE or WED, 10:00 - 11:30 am

Session Fee: \$275 (6 classes)

QUESTIONS: Contact founder

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