

# LAKE METROPARKS

# Spirit of America 2022

## 7th grade youth boating program

**FREE!**



**PLEASE NOTE: This program is for Lake County students who are in 7th grade at time of registration.**

The Spirit of America program offers Lake County youth who are in seventh grade at time of registration the opportunity to develop self-confidence, set goals, build social skills, practice self-control and demonstrate responsible behavior—all while having a great time learning to operate and maintain power craft, paddle craft and sail craft!

**Register at [lakemetroparks.com](https://lakemetroparks.com) beginning March 7!**  
**No applications will be accepted after April 23.**

*Additional materials and information will be e-mailed upon completion of registration.*

**For more information, contact Tia Woodard at 440-256-2118 x4112 or [twoodard@lakemetroparks.com](mailto:twoodard@lakemetroparks.com).**

Participants will wear life jackets at all times during the on-the-water/dockside classes.

Students must attend a Water Safety and Equipment Awareness class at Perry High School pool in May. The on-the-water and boaters education portion of the program will be held Monday through Friday, 9 am to 3 pm at Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park. Participants may choose from the following sessions:

### **Session 1:**

Water Safety Training – Saturday, May 7, 8 to 11:30 am

On-water/Boater Education – June 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10

### **Session 2:**

Water Safety Training – Saturday, May 7, 12 to 3:30 pm

On-water/Boater Education – June 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17

### **Graduation Gathering:**

All participants are invited to join us for a graduation gathering at Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park on Monday, June 27, 5 to 7 pm.

To earn Ohio Boaters Education Certification, students must achieve 70 on a written test. Accommodations such as readers or extra time will be provided upon request.

Students will participate in on-the-water instruction on the following types of watercraft:

- kayaks
- stand-up paddleboards
- canoes
- power boats with 9.9 hp motors
- United States Coast Guard vessels
- sailboats

The program is a cooperative project of:

- Lake Metroparks
- The Spirit of America Foundation
- The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Parks & Watercraft
- Grand River Marina
- with support from the United States Coast Guard

