

Hook, Line, and Leadership: The 2026 Richardson Plano Alumni Kappa League Fishing Derby

On Saturday, October 24, 2026, from 9:15 AM to 2:30 PM, the Richardson Plano Alumni Kappa League traded the classroom and the hardcourt for the great outdoors at Krystal's Ranch in Crandall, TX, for an unforgettable day of angling, mentorship, and high-energy fellowship.



Set up entirely for bank fishing, the trip welcomed everyone from seasoned pros to complete beginners. For those who didn't own equipment, fishing poles were readily provided, and for anyone who had never touched a rod or reel before, mentors were right by their side to teach them the ropes. The banks were completely alive with non-stop enjoyment, high-spirited interaction, good-natured smack talk about "monster catches," and plenty of classic fish stories being swapped between lines.

Derby Champions and Epic Catches



The friendly competition heated up immediately, with legendary bragging rights—and awards—on the line for the first fish, biggest fish, and smallest fish:



- **A Historic First Catch: Isaiah Chester** took home the massive glory of the biggest fish award with an incredible **20" catfish**. To make the victory even more legendary, this was Isaiah's very first time ever going fishing in his life! Beginners luck reached an entirely new echelon as he wrestled his monster catch onto the bank.



- **The Early Bird: Mason Johnson** secured an early victory just **16 minutes** after the start of the Derby, reeling in a heavy-hitting **19.5" catfish** that instantly set the bar high for the rest of the crew.



- **The Micro-Catch:** **Braylon Taylor** claimed the award for the smallest fish of the day, measuring in at a modest **4.5"**—proving that every bite counts in a tight race.



The youth weren't the only ones getting swept up in the competitive spirit, either. The mentors brought their A-game to the banks, and **Brother Kiel Metoyer** got heavily in on the action by pulling off an absolute showstopper: a massive **25" catfish** that had everyone talking smack and cheering.



A Brotherhood of Mentors

Beyond the catches, the trash talk, and the friendly rivalry, the brothers had an incredible time bonding and leading this exercise, creating a vital space for real-world mentorship, patience, and leadership.



A massive, high-energy shout-out goes to **Brother Ray Strong** for pulling the entire event together seamlessly, alongside **Brothers Metoyer, Hutchinson, and Taylor** for assisting, baiting hooks, and getting every single boy fully engaged out on the water. Days like this continue to build a strong network of support and reinforce our ultimate mission: building tomorrow's leaders today, whether in the boardroom, on the court, or on the edge of a fishing lake!