



Commercial Fishing for Credit

A note from Misa,

Bristol Bay Region Career & Technical Education has been developing a Fisheries Pathway for the region's four school districts. Something our whole region shares and takes pride in, is our culture and economy surrounding salmon. The education I have received from a lifetime on fishing boats is one of the most well-rounded and valuable areas of knowledge I possess. I believe that this knowledge should be recognized by our school systems as valuable and credible. Thankfully, so do our four Superintendents and school boards who support this idea. If a student is out there setting anchors, cooking meals, driving boats, helping with maintenance, doing net work, picking fish, stewarding our watershed and upholding our traditions, then they should be recognized as so. These skills are just as valuable as Home Ec, Shop, etc, which is why CF4C was conceived.

Last year, I failed to include skills that applied to very unique locations, such as Ekuk. I am continuing to learn about our region as a whole and I am here to work with you to ensure your student receives credit for their participation in the fishery. If you have questions, suggestions, or thoughts to share, please reach out.

Requirements to receive .5 High School Credit

1. The Checklist is found on the registration form at bbrcte.org. The Captain or Site Lead must review this form; the student must be proficient in at least 10 of the skills/knowledge listed to receive credit. If the skill does not apply to your gear type or location, please leave blank.
2. The student must work on the boat/site for a minimum of 14 days to receive .5 credit.
3. Grades 9-12 are eligible. (If you are an 8th grader now, you may apply now since this will apply to your freshmen year)
4. The student **must** text or email a photo of the signed checklist to Misa Webber at (907) 843-2918 or at mwebber@bbrcte.org by **Sept 1, 2024**.

