

Free kids fishing clinic at Mayflower Park set for March 16: Morning-of registration, open to ages 3-15

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The Riverside County Parks and Open-Space District, in conjunction with the California Department of Fish & Wildlife, is set to host a free spring fishing clinic special event for area youth March 16 at the neighboring Mayflower Park (4980 Colorado River Rd.) in Blythe.

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For those who need it, the California Department of Fish & Wildlife will be providing instruction, loaning gear and bait; according to Riverside County Parks, over 400 kids participated at the first clinic in Rancho Jurupa Regional Park this past January.

“The Fishing Clinics feature learning stations on Bait, Tackle, Knot Tying, and Casting, along with Ecology, Watershed, Rules, Regulations, and Ethics,” noted the Parks Public Information release.

Below is the remaining schedule dates for the youth fishing clinics:

- Feb. 23, 2019 — Lake Cahuilla Veterans Regional Park (58075 Jefferson St., La Quinta, CA 92253)
- **March 16, 2019 — Mayflower Regional Park (4980 Colorado River Road, Blythe, CA 92225)**
- March 23, 2019 — Lake Skinner Recreational Area (37701 Warren Road, Winchester, CA 92596)

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