

FINDING CONFIDENCE ON THE WATER

In 2021, my mom and I drove across a bridge and while driving over the bridge we spotted a group of Sunfish and Lasers racing on the water. Right then and there, I was hooked with sailing. After my mom made a few calls, we connected with BCSB. I got a scholarship to start sailing at the sailing camp. Eventually, throughout many regattas and sailing camps, I have turned into a dedicated racer, being a helper during camps, and representing BCSB at regattas, including national ones. Throughout all of my support from parents and friends, my instructor, Noah Kipar, gave me confidence and encouragement on and off the water. Noah and sailing have impacted my life with so many opportunities to have fun.

The sailing program has impacted my life and others. It's always a badge of honor when I go out on the boat, especially when I step up to the podium. I encourage everyone to try sailing and of course, join the community, sailor or non-sailor.

BCSB Sailor – Max Whitmore [12]

Youth Twin Sailors – Beaufort Community Sailing & Boating

In 2022, our mom told us it was time to start sailing and step out of her summer camp program. She pushed us out of her shadow and into a sailboat boat — and we've been sailing ever since.

We grew up on these waters and learned from the ground up with a good attitude and a willingness to learn. Now we share that same love of sailing with younger campers and teammates.

We started in Sunfish and now we are sailing and competing in Lasers. Today, we help teach Opti's, 420s, O'Pen Skiffs, Lasers, Sunfish, and the new RS Touras. We've been mentored by so many great BYSC members who have helped us grow along the way.

This program means everything to us. It's our senior year, and we want to make sure the next group of sailors has the best — more instructors, better boats, and upgraded gear.

Help us make it happen!

This community is special, and we're honored to be part of it.

BCSB Sailors- Blake & Austin Lesesne