



**Missouri Hunting Heritage Federation, Inc. (MHFF)  
Volunteer Named Hunter Education Instructor of the Year**

*Conservation Federation of Missouri honors Jerri Lynn Keith as Hunter Education Instructor of the Year for 2022.*

**Jefferson City, MO** – Jerri Lynn Keith of Raymore, Mo, was named Hunter Education Instructor of the Year by the Conservation Federation of Missouri (CFM) at its Annual Convention on Friday, February 24.

The award is given for the most outstanding effort in hunter education in the state during the past twelve months. Recipients of the award have demonstrated innovative means of teaching Missouri youth the hunter safety/hunter ethics message or made significant voluntary contributions to hunter education instruction.

Keith has been a volunteer of Missouri Hunting Heritage Federation, Inc. (MHFF), a 501(c)(3) organization, for 10 years. She has been a certified hunter education instructor since 2015. As a clinic coordinator and life member of MHFF, she volunteers and leads several clinics per year teaching youth hunter education. Through her involvement with MHFF, dozens of families have the opportunity every year to learn safe hunting practices and an appreciation for Missouri's outdoor heritage.

"It is an incredible honor to be recognized by CFM," Keith said. "But even greater, is the opportunity to interact with Missouri youth and teach them how to be safe and ethical hunters."

Each year, on average, more than 35 volunteers share approximately 1,000 hours supporting MHFF's mission to pass along Missouri's hunting heritage in the best and safest way possible.

"We're fortunate to have dedicated volunteers support our organization," said MHFF Executive Director Colton Zirkle. "Jerri Lynn's commitment to hunter education and getting youth outdoors is exceptional. Her efforts truly make a difference in the lives of these youth and their families."

MHFF Clinics are held several weekends a year, and are all free of charge to each student. For more information, visit [mhhf.us](http://mhhf.us).

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MHFF is a 501(c)(3) service-oriented organization of volunteers who are passionate about Missouri's hunting history. MHFF introduces youth to an outdoor way of life featuring our hunting tradition, the shooting sports and the enjoyment of being in Missouri's natural landscape.

Through education and hands-on training, youth learn how to safely handle firearms, gain an understanding of wildlife conservation and are introduced to the many enjoyable aspects of Missouri's hunting heritage.

Clinics are conducted throughout the year during Missouri's hunting and trapping seasons. Classroom courses and clinic activities are tailored to match the seasons. Hunter education, bowhunter education, and trapper education classroom courses are each taught by volunteer instructor members of MHHF certified by the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC).

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Jerri Lynn Keith (center) is named Hunter Education Instructor of the Year by the Conservation Federation of Missouri (CFM) at its Annual Convention on Friday, February 24. Shown here with Tyler Schwartze, CFM Executive Director (left) and Zach Morris, CFM Board President (right).