Hello Myth-Busters!

Walleye are one of the most prized fish to anglers in the country! But their mysterious and picky nature can challenge or stump even the most experienced anglers. That's why your team will be cracking the myths to this elusive fish in a Walleye Myth-Buster Challenge. Your efforts will help families and anglers experience the fun in catching and putting walleye in their boat regularly.

To prepare yourselves for the Walleye Myth-buster Challenge, your fishing team will assemble a tackle box filled with walleye fishing tips. Your team may use your tackle box during the challenge to uncover the truths and secrets to walleye fishing … so the more research and tips you include in your tackle box, the more likely your team will succeed. The team who decodes the most secrets during the Myth-Buster challenge wins!

Consider researching about the following to build a great tackle box for the challenge:

**Walleye Behaviors**
- What water depths do walleye prefer?
- What water temperatures do walleye prefer?
- What times of day are walleye active or biting?
- How does weather affect walleye?

**Fishing Techniques**
- Who needs a fishing license in your state?
- What regulations should walleye anglers follow in your state?
- What are some common walleye fishing methods?
- What kinds of rod and reels can walleye anglers use?
- What kinds of bait and tackle should anglers use for walleye?
- What does match the hatch mean?

**Walleye Biology**
- What kind of habitats or locations do walleye live in?
- What prey do walleye eat?
- What do walleye do during the different seasons?
Discuss your findings with your other team mates. As a group, create notecards of walleye fishing tips and pack them into the “tackle box” provided by your teacher. Be creative with your tackle box and include notecards with drawings, diagrams, gear or tackle molded from clay, or actual documents! The more information and time your group takes to organize the material in your tackle box, the more likely you will be able to find answers during the challenge.

Best of luck to your team!