

3rd Annual Alabama *National Archery in the Schools Program* State Championship

Sponsored by the

Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries

and the

Alabama State Department of Education

Registration: Online at www.applications.outdooralabama.com/archery/
or call Marisa Lee-Sasser 334/242-3867

*****Tournament Rules*****

WHERE

Birmingham Jefferson Convention Center, Birmingham, Alabama

WHEN

The tournament will be conducted on April 18, 2006. Participating schools will select or be assigned (as space permits) one of two shooting times or **flights**:

Flight #1 – 9:30 a.m. (Participants should plan to arrive by 8:30 a.m.)

Flight #2 – 12:30 p.m.

Teachers should select flight times upon registration. Flight times will be assigned on a first come first serve basis so early registration is advisable. We request that all schools within 80 miles of Birmingham register their students for the 9:30 AM flight so that schools that have greater distance to travel won't have to leave so early. We appreciate your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Shooters must be ready to march to their lane assignment 15 minutes before their assigned shooting time. To meet this line-up time requirement, schools should arrive at the tournament registration desk at least 1 hour before their shooting time. Schools and/or participants that arrive after their scheduled flight time will not be allowed to participate in the tournament.

WHO

This tournament is the annual 'culminating event' for Alabama schools participating in the NASP. The basic foundation of the NASP is the in-school archery unit. Therefore, schools that teach the NASP as part of the in-school curriculum are qualified to compete in this tournament. This tournament is not for schools or clubs that offer archery only as an after-school activity.

Individuals will register in either Elementary (K-6th grade), middle (7-8th grade), or high school (9-12th grade) Division. Children that are home schooled and part of an after school program are invited to compete as individuals, but will not be eligible for team trophies.

1. Teams or individuals will register in either the Elementary (K-6th grade), Middle (7-8th grade), or High School (9-12th grade) division. A student in a lower grade may shoot for a team in his or her school that is in a higher division but not vice versa. A team will be assigned a division based upon the highest grade-level represented. In other words, a team comprised of 5th, 6th and 7th graders will be assigned to the "Middle" division.
2. Team competition will be among schools with 8 or more archers. At least 2 members must be of the opposite gender.
3. Schools that cannot field a team may have students compete for individual awards.
4. **Each school will provide 1 adult target scorer per 8 student archers.**

REGISTRATION:

Registration will be available on-line at www.applications.outdooralabama.com/archery/

- Registration window: February 1 – April 18th, 2006.
- Early Registration- before March 17th includes a t-shirt.
- Registration after March 17th will not include a t-shirt.
- The registration fee is \$15/student payable by check to the Alabama Conservation Natural Resources Foundation. Please mail to: Alabama Conservation Natural Resources Foundation, Attn: Marisa Lee-Sasser, 64 North Union Street, Montgomery, AL 36130.
- T-shirts will be available on site for purchase.
- Concessions will be available at the tournament by the BJCC vendor on a cash basis.

Qualified Equipment:

1. NASP Genesis compound bow. Loaner bows will be available on site.
2. Arrows will be provided on site, participants may not use their own arrows.
3. No sights, tape, marks, or other modifications to the bow that may, in the opinion of the judges, be used as a sighting aid. Any

marks or tape placed on the riser, above the grip of the bow, must be removed or the bow will be disqualified. If such a bow is used during the tournament, the archer will be disqualified. If a bow must be numbered or otherwise identified by the school or shooter with tape, such markings should be on the back of the bow only.

4. Finger tabs, gloves, and armguards may be used.
5. The use of mechanical release aids or stabilizers will not be allowed.
6. Sims vibration dampening devices may be attached to the limbs of the bow but not on the riser.
7. Targets and butts will be provided.
8. An equipment check will be mandatory before shooting.

Range Set-Up:

9. Targets will be a paper 80 cm FITA face with 10 scoring rings mounted to elevated Block Targets.
10. Target butts will be placed on the floor similar to the height of school butts.
11. Target line will be approximately 6 feet from the target butts.
12. There will be 10 and 15 meter shooting lines.
13. The waiting line will be approximately 10 feet beyond the 15 meter shooting line.
14. Approximately 113 shooting lanes will be delineated.
15. Each shooting lane will have four shooters assigned per flight.

Competition Format

16. Range safety rules will be the same as the NASP program and will be adhered to by all.
17. Each archer will shoot 1 practice end of 5 arrows at 10 meters.
18. Each archer will shoot 3 ends of 5 arrows (total of 15 shots) at 10 meters.
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21. "A & B" shooters will shoot and retrieve an end and then "C & D" shooters will shoot and retrieve.
22. Time limit per end will be 2 minutes beginning with the 1 whistle 'shoot' command.
23. In the event of a tie, the number of "X's" will determine the winner. If there is still a tie, we will go to the number of "9's", then "8's" etc. until a winner can be established.
24. Bounce-outs will be shot immediately after the 3rd end of each shooting distance.

Scoring:

25. Adults will be assigned an adjacent pair of shooting lanes to score targets.
26. These adult scorers will call arrows while the other records the score.
27. Each school will provide 1 adult target scorer per 8 student archers.
28. Adult scorers will be from different schools.
29. Arrows touching a scoring ring line will be given the higher score.
30. A pair of scoring judges will be assigned for every 2 lanes.
31. Judges will inspect equipment for compliance before shooting begins.
32. Judges will call disputed arrows (when called upon by adult scorers).
33. Judges will assure adult scorers and archers sign the score card before leaving the range.
34. Judges will pick up and deliver signed score cards to the scoring table at the end of shooting times.

AWARDS

35. Team awards will be presented for the 1st-3rd highest scoring teams in the Elementary (K-6), Middle (7-8), and High School (9-12) Divisions.
36. Team scores will be the sum of the 8 highest scores shot by archers from each school in each division during the tournament.
37. Individual awards will be presented to the top three boys and girls in each of the three Divisions.

Dress Code

38. All participants are requested to wear collared shirts or full length standard t-shirts (t-shirts in school colors with logos would be ideal).
39. All participants are prohibited from wearing tank tops, cropped t-shirts, cut-off jeans or short-shorts – no exceptions
40. Hair and jewelry should not cause safety concerns.