

Informational Handout for the 21-22 Archery Season



5th graders

The focus of our 5th graders is to teach them the basic fundamentals of shooting a bow, acclimate them to the rules and procedures of NASP (National Archery in the Schools Program) and most importantly, get them excited about archery. Although they will not be attending competitions, we consider our 5th graders as an essential feeder program for our competitive MS and HS teams. We want them "ready to go" next year when they start competing in tournaments. Practices will be from 5-5:50 in the Intermediate School Gym. Practices will be held on Monday nights, the first practice being Dec. 6th. Our last practice will be Feb. 21st.

Middle School Division 6th-8th

In anticipation that this group will be by far our largest, we will be splitting them up for practices. 6th and 7th graders will practice from 6:00-6:50 on Monday nights, and **our 8th graders will practice with the High School group from 7:00-7:50**. This is to balance our numbers out and we also want to get as many arrows in each night. Last year this made our groups balance out nicely. *We may still need to do some shuffling after our final registration counts are in, but this will be the plan up until that point. First practice will be Dec. 6th and will run up to the state shoot (date TBD) but last year was in early March.

High School Division 9th-12th

We are very excited about the potential of our High School team this season. We are anticipating having the minimum number in order to qualify as a "team." We need to get participation up in the HS so do your best to recruit your friends. 9th-12th graders will practice alongside our 8th graders on Mondays from 7:00-7:50. First practice will be Dec. 6th and will run up to the state shoot (date TBD) but last year was in early March.

Parents

- Due to the fact that we have very limited space in our gym, we will not be allowing parents to be in the gym during practice. Parents may wait in the hallway.
- We are strongly encouraging our 6-12th archers to purchase their own **Genesis Original** bow and at least 6 **Easton 1820 NASP** arrows if financially possible. If you would like to use a club bow/arrows for the season we are asking for a \$100 deposit check that will be held and returned following the return of the undamaged equipment. Club equipment will be available for 5th graders to use, but will stay at the school.
- We will use Varsity Bound this year to communicate practice cancellations or any other last minute items. Once I have all parent's email addresses, I will push out a link.
- We have a Facebook page as well, follow [Central DeWitt Archery](#)
- We will be having a web store for Saber archery apparel through AdCraft. The store will run from Nov. 15th through the 22nd. A link will be posted on our Facebook page.
- We will send out a document after sign ups have been finalized and I have everyone's email address, to provide information about tournaments for MS and HS divisions.
- **Sign up** at the following [link](#)
- Cost is \$60. Please make payment by November 12th.
 - Check or Cash accepted. Write checks to **Central DeWitt Archery Club**
 - Please send payment with child to give to your school secretary by November 12th
OR mail to Central DeWitt Archery Club, % Ed Vance, 2444 260th Ave, DeWitt IA 52742