

# National Archery in the Schools Program -Alaska

## NASP PROGRAM General info:

- Created by Roy Grime and started in 2002 in Kentucky.
- This is an "IN SCHOOL" program allowing ALL kids an opportunity to participate, whether they can attend after school activities or not etc.
- All standard equipment (bows will fit EVERYONE)
- Over 22 million kids have participated in NASP Worldwide. (Us, Canada, Africa, Mongolia)
- For both Boys and Girls 4<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Part of the PE curriculum
- State, National and World Tournaments held each year.

## NASP IN AK:

- Started in Alaska in 2006. Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADFG), Hunter Information and Training Program runs NASP.  
Maria Bakic- Alaska State Coordinator
- 2019 reports showed almost 9,000 kids in AK participating.
- Alaska has a yearly NASP "virtual" tournament. The 2019 state tournament had 12 schools and 300 archers participating.
- Over 350 Basic Archery Instructors are certified in Alaska!

### **Getting NASP Started at your school!**

In order to offer NASP in your school, you need three very important things!

1. In School Agreement with NASP- you must agree to offer the program during school hours
2. A NASP approved archery kit.
3. Certified NASP instructors

## Training and Archery Kit Cost:

**Training:** Training is a one-day course. ADFG provides the instructor and the \$50.00 NASP training packet. Trainings can accommodate up to 12 instructors depending on space at facility.

**Kit Cost:** The cost of the standard NASP approved Archery kit is roughly \$4K plus shipping. Shipping is about \$400 a kit (request more information about shipping options). A standard kit consists of:

- 12 bows (11 to 20 MAX draw Wt.) (Draw length: variable. Genesis bow fits all)
- 10 dozen arrows (aluminum for safety)
- Safety curtain
- Bow rack
- Repair kit
- 5 targets
- Floor quivers

Grants are available to help in purchasing a kit, this is usually around \$1,000 off one full kit. Contact your coordinator for more information!

#### **FAQ:**

**Q. Can I teach NASP in my school as an afterschool program only?**

**A.** Yes and No. You may have an afterschool program that uses NASP equipment and is run by a certified coach, but you cannot receive grants to offset costs of equipment, participate in the state tournament, or the Academic Archer program.

**Q. Can I order NASP equipment from another vendor?**

**A.** Yes, however you can only order approved NASP gear, and NASP has a better discounted price for NASP schools than other vendors.

**Q. Do you need archery experience to become a certified NASP Basic Archery Instructor?**

**A.** No! You do not need archery experience, everything you need to know to lead NASP with students will be taught to you during the 8 hour training course.