

Campbell Middle School

Mustang Archery

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Beginning Archery Classes

What is Beginning Archery?

Beginning Archery is based on the format and curriculum of an International program called the National Archery in the Schools Program. You can find it on the Internet by searching for NASP Archery. Through this program, archery is taught to 4th-12th graders.

How do I sign up?

The first class called "Beginning Archery" is for students brand new to archery. The classes teach students how to safely shoot a bow and understand the rules of the archery range. The beginning archery session will be held on Monday, Nov. 9 and Thursday, Nov. 12 from 7 -9 pm in the BCMS Auxiliary Gym and both practice times are mandatory if they've not shot a bow before with a NASP certified program. The cost of the class is \$50 per archer and this also applies to the regular season that begins the following week if

they choose to continue with the program. Payment is due prior to OR on November 9. Please make checks payable to BCMS.

If your child has never shot a bow within a NASP certified program, **they must sign up for Beginning Archery**. The one-to-one instruction is more effective and it allows the coaches to run the line and help where it is needed. Additionally, it allows for better safety basics and timely one-on-one feedback regarding the archers form and shooting.

What happens after Beginning Archery ends on November 12?

Mustang Archery Season Begins!!!!.....

Current 6-8th grade archers who have already been NASP trained and wanting to participate in Mustang Archery must register for Mustang Archery. The cost for this session is \$50 (don't have to pay twice if a part of Beginning Archery) and runs from Monday, November 16 through approximately Wednesday, March 18 (Checks payable to BCMS). Practices will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 7 - 8 pm in the Auxiliary Gym. Additional practice time may be added depending upon the number of archers signed up for the program. Students will be taught the basics and will be expected to safely shoot at 10 and 15 meters. Archers will be coached on their form and shot process. There is further expectation that these students will compete in **at least three** NASP sanctioned tournaments prior to the end of January/early February. Tournament fees can range from \$6 to \$10 per archer. Once you are registered for a tournament you will be expected to pay the registration fee for that tournament even if you miss your time or your child doesn't shoot. This sounds harsh, but when a child registers for a line time and doesn't show this keeps another archer from shooting. Therefore, if you register, you're expected to shoot. Coaches will form the competitive teams in February by using tournament averages, shooter trends and archer coachability. Families will be asked to sign a commitment contract agreeing to travel to Branson Missouri in March for the MONASP State Tournament (Google Form). There will be additional fees that will be required for the post-season. You can check out statewide tournaments that are already posted on the NASP website: <http://www.nasptournaments.org>.

In addition, please go to the Campbell Middle School website to Mustang Archery (<https://bcmsarchery.weebly.com/>) and provide your email so that you'll receive Archery updates. We will also be using Remind to notify archers and parents for practice cancellations due to inclement weather. The Remind code is:

text @k26he9g to the number 81010

IMPORTANT: If school is not in session or has been called early for inclement weather then there will be no practice. A Remind text will be sent out for cancellations.

What Time?

6th - 8th graders make up the Mustang Archery team. Practices will be held on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7 - 8 pm (may change dependent upon number of archers).

COVID Protocols: We will be following JCHD social distancing guidelines while shooting and off the line. Masks will be worn by all with exception of archers (their choice to wear) on the line shooting. Borrowed bows will be disinfected between uses by archer. At this time, parents won't be allowed into the building to watch practices.

NOTE: Please understand that we share the gym with the rest of school and at times, we may lose shooting time due to other events that share the gym.

Where?

All practices will take place at Campbell Middle School in the Auxiliary Gym. Archers will need to be dropped off at the Auxiliary Gym doors on the west side of the building.

Team Configuration

The Middle School team will be a combined school team of 6-8th grade students. Our team(s) will be honed down to 24 archers per team (with additional two archers as alternates in case of sickness, injury, etc.) through a process of local tournaments from December - January/Early February. This season we will be registering our team for local tournaments within Lee's Summit, Clinton and possibly Platte County. Competition for these 24 spots per team will be tough. The coaching staff strives to build the best, highest scoring teams possible. Which means an archer must continue to perform well and not just have one great tournament or vice versa.

What if I want more opportunities for my child?

If you and your archer would like more opportunities outside of school, the Independence Bow Hunters indoor range in Raytown offers private and group lessons. Their information can be found at IndependenceBowhunters.org. In addition, [Bass Pro Shop](#) in Independence has an indoor range where you may shoot, however, they charge by the hour for shooting time and you will have to share the range with customers that may be test driving a new bow. Additionally, [Archery Excellence](#) off of Noland Road in

Independence offers shooting lanes and lessons. They do charge for a membership as well as an hourly shooting lane fee per hour.

Why should I take my archer to a tournament?

There is no way to replicate the feelings and stress created through shooting for a score in a tournament. We have found that the more exposure our archers have to this setting, the better they are able to manage tournament pressures. Participation in tournaments will prepare students for success in the Mustang Archery program as well as in their lives everyday.

May I buy my own equipment?

Yes, some families choose to buy their own equipment for their archer(s). The bows used in NASP are Mathews Genesis Original bows along with Easton 1820 arrows. This is the only bow and arrow combination that may be used for this program. If needed, please check with any of the coaches to verify you're purchasing the correct equipment.

Why buy your own? It is easier to monitor your own equipment than use the loaner equipment offered by the school that many shooters use and adjust differently.

Behavior Expectations:

Please understand the expectations for this club are set for the safety of all involved and the integrity of the program itself. While coaching, myself and the coaching staff are unable to monitor behavior as our attention is on the shooters and not the observers. Therefore, your archer must be able to be in control of themselves and not be a distraction or safety concern. If this is an issue for your archer, the coaching staff will ask him/her to step off the line and sit out. This is a ONE TIME occurrence. If a behavior continues to be disruptive or a safety concern your archer will be asked not to return and your fee will be forfeited to the team. Your child must also retain good academic standing with their grades at school.

This is Season 2.....

With that being said, we are ready to shoot our way into the season! As you well know, archery equipment does start to show signs of wear and tear over time. If you or a business would like to donate to our club, any donation will be greatly appreciated!

I'm extremely excited about getting this program started on the north end of town and for it to be at Campbell Middle School! I know we'll have some hiccups and successes this

year but that is the road to building and growing a successful archery program. We look forward to coaching your archer(s) this season and to witness their growth on the range as well as in their own lives one arrow at a time!

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