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*National Archery in the Schools Program*

**FINAL REPORT**  
**NASP BC**

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# B.C. WILDLIFE FEDERATION & NASP BC

The B.C. Wildlife Federation (BCWF) is B.C.'s oldest and longest lasting conservation group. Representing 43,000 members province-wide, including over a hundred hunting and angling clubs, BCWF members are on the front lines of B.C.'s wilderness. Education is a critical value for the BCWF. The BCWF aims to develop and support comprehensive educational programs to make all British Columbians aware of the value of fish, wildlife, park, and outdoor recreational resources and to arouse in the public conscience a recognition of, and respect for, the place of fish, wildlife and outdoor recreation in the wise, integrated use of the province's natural resources.

The National Archery in the Schools Program British Columbia (NASP BC) is a regional body of NASP® and coordinates the distribution of information and provides support to NASP® Basic Archery Instructors (BAIs) and Basic Archery Instructor Trainers (BAITs). NASP BC also coordinates tournaments and links NASP® schools in B.C. together. Through NASP BC, the BCWF aims to:

- Improve the self-confidence, motivation, concentration, and focus of NASP BC participants.
- Improve academic performance and increase participants' attendance in Physical Education classes.
- Increase student interest in hunting and shooting sports.

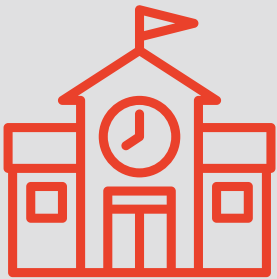


# THE NATIONAL ARCHERY IN THE SCHOOLS PROGRAM

## HISTORY OF NASP® INC.

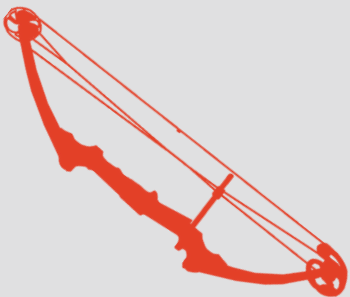
Originally developed in the United States, NASP® began as a program only for schools but has since expanded and spans nine countries and five continents. The program is now offered to schools, camps, community groups, and other organizations. The program covers archery safety, technique, concentration skills, self-improvement, and proper use of equipment. The objectives of NASP® are to improve self-confidence, motivation, concentration, focus, and academic performance and to increase attendance in school.

## IN THE SCHOOLS



By teaching archery as part of school curriculum (e.g. Physical Education, Math, Physics, Social Studies, Arts, and more) we are able to reach more students who would have never thought to try archery.

## UNIVERSAL FIT



All NASP® archers, 1.3 million every year worldwide, use the same equipment (i.e., the same bow, the same arrow, the same target, etc.) and are instructed with the same 11 steps to archery success by NASP® certified Basic Archery Instructors (BAIs).

## INCLUSIVENESS



Archery is a sport for all students; it does not discriminate based on popularity, athletic skill, gender, size, or academic ability. It's a different kind of team sport.

# NASP BC HIGHLIGHTS

## BAI COURSES

Before bringing NASP® into a school or organization, teachers/instructors must first complete an 8-hour Basic Archery Instructor (BAI) course. During training, instructors are taught how to set up and operate a safe archery range, proper archery technique, and the “11 steps to archery success.” Instructors will also learn how to inspect, maintain, and repair compound bows and arrows.



## IN 2024, NASP BC HAS...



Hosted **12** BAI training courses\*



**65** Active NASP schools



**6791** youth archers



given **2** \$1000 grants to schools



given \$3000 in scholarships

\*as of October 2024



# 2024 PROVINCIAL TOURNAMENT

## HYBRID APPROACH TO 2024

2024 saw the third hybrid-style NASP Provincial Tournament. The hybrid model has been implemented to allow both in-person and virtual participation in the competition. The in-person component of the tournament took place in Courtenay, BC.

Teams that were unable to travel to the in-person tournament location were able to participate virtually. This creates a more inclusive tournament, allowing all teams to compete, despite location-based and financial limitations.



119  
PARTICIPANTS



6 COMPETING  
SCHOOLS



3 SCHOLARSHIPS  
AWARDED



# THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

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