

What's Changing Compared to our Current Youth Program?

- **This program is replacing the 15 and 20 yard classes that were previously held**
- **Archers must have their own equipment for the S3DA program**
- The 10 yard class will remain separate from the S3DA program as an Intro to Archery class, for 8 weeks every January-March, archers may still borrow club equipment in this intro program

Benefits of S3DA

Archery is proven to help students in many different ways including:

- Focus and Concentration
- Confidence
- Character development
- Sense of belonging
- Scholarship opportunities

Scholastic 3D Archery History

- Starting in only 3 states at their first national tournament, S3DA is now active in 24 states and growing all the time. Students enjoy S3DA because they are free to use any equipment of their choice from any brand or company. Along with being able to choose their own equipment, participants also progress through the sport as they grow and develop. Each S3DA class provides a natural progression that helps students grow from elementary school all the way through high school, which provides the opportunity for scholarships and to compete at the collegiate level, if interested. S3DA events are family oriented and family friendly. For these reasons and more, S3DA has become one of the fastest growing archery programs for our youth in the US.

For more information on the S3DA organization, please visit: www.s3da.org

Perry County S3DA Program Details

What:

- A program to promote Archery shooting for ages 9 through 18*
 - *If shooter is 19 but still a Senior in high school, they can still compete
- Consists of Indoor Target, Outdoor Target, and 3D instruction/competition

Why:

- To introduce young shooters to the fun of shooting archery and to pass our passion for archery on to a new generation of archers.

When:

- Once a week from January through August. Initially, the plan is to meet Saturdays from 10:30 am to 12 noon. Once the Indoor Season is over, participants can assist the coach(es) in deciding what day works best for everyone.

Where:

Perry County Archers
382 Huckleberry Rd.
New Bloomfield, PA 17068

*Please note, there is NO mailing address for the archery club, the above address is provided as an address to use for GPS.

Cost:

- 1) Perry County Archers Membership** Youth = \$25 per year, OR
Family = \$65 per year (first year, then \$60/yr to renew)
- 2) S3DA membership required (www.s3da.org):** \$25 per year (plus a\$2 handling fee)
- 3) Perry County S3DA fee** \$25 per year

*helps the club with target costs and additional items for the S3DA program

Total for Perry County Archers S3DA participants (without family plan) will be \$77.00

Coaching:

- Carla Orris is currently the only S3DA certified coach for the program and will be volunteering her time.
- **NEED:** To make the program a success, it is recommended to get AT LEAST 3 other certified coaches. A certified coach must be at every practice and competitions. If interested in this great opportunity, please let Carla know. Please also know that you do not need to be an archery expert or world class shooter to be a coach, just the will to learn and help encourage the students in the program.

Competition:

- Competition is NOT mandatory, but the goal is that the kids will want to compete.
- Perry County S3DA offers 3 ages groups (based on age as of Jan. 1):
 - Eagle- Ages 9-11
 - Youth- Ages 12-14
 - Young Adult- Ages 15-18*If shooter is 19 but still a Senior in high school, they can still compete
- S3DA consists of 4 classes, all based on the equipment you shoot
 - Barebow (male and female)
 - Olympic Recurve (male and female)
 - Bowhunter Compound (male and female)
 - Open (male and female)
- S3DA has 3 disciplines:
 - Indoor Target: January to March, uses NFAA rules and regulations
 - Outdoor 3D: April to June, uses ASA rules and regulations
 - Outdoor Target: April to July, uses USA Archery rules and regulations
- Each discipline as its own Regional, State, and National Shoot. The cost of attending these competitions would be extra (Regional Shoots are typically \$21, State Shoots are \$26, and National Shoots are \$40, as well as cost of transportation to these events).
- As stated previously, going to the competitive shoots is NOT mandatory
- When attending a shoot, the student would compete in their age group and class, there are no flights, meaning no AA, A, or B class like PSAA has

Next Steps:

- Follow the Perry County S3DA Facebook page, this will be the resource for program communication
- Pre-Registration is **REQUIRED!!!** Registration dates will begin in November
- Please contact Coach Carla Orris (717-636-4282) with any questions and/or interest in coaching
- Complete the attached form and a club membership application to bring to pre-registration.
- Obtain an S3DA membership. Print a copy to turn in at pre-registration (www.s3da.org)
- Program is limited to 28 shooters, until more coaches would be available, so attendance at as many sessions as possible throughout the year is strongly encouraged