

Camas Clearwater Sporters

General Information and Program Considerations

(a competitive shooting sports program of the Cornerstone Teen Center)

1. General information.

This shooting sports program is a competitive activity for youth that are currently in the 7th -11th grades. Boys and girls will train together and function as one team during competitions. As the program develops the upper age limit will increase by one grade to include 7th - 12th grade participants.

All activities will be conducted in a controlled environment which will be safe, fun, and provide participants with skills and insights that will benefit them throughout life. The program will incorporate activities from the Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP), the National Rifle Association's (NRA) competitive shooting program, and may include a tactical course of fire unique to our program.

Participants must register with the SASP upon selection to the program. SASP is a team-based youth development program that uses competitive shooting as its medium, but it is more than just another shooting program. It is designed to instill in young people a set of personal values and character traits and teaches fair play, compassionate understanding, individual responsibility, sportsmanship, self-discipline, and personal commitment - qualities necessary to become successful and contributing members of society.

The links below provide orientation to the SASP program.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZWkY19rXUc0>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Kz8aZGPaZA>

The SASP course of fire is easy to support and provides participants with practical skills that apply to a range of recreational activities and individual/home defense, but one of the main benefits of belonging to this organization is that our team (participants, the team, and our range) will be covered by their \$10,000,000 liability insurance policy. This is why all participants must register with the SASP program.

There are other benefits to participating in SASP's program. SASP has numerous industry partners who offer discounts to teams and athletes including sponsors who offer discounts on firearms and ammunition.

Parents/guardians are highly encouraged to review the SASP Handbook before submitting an application for their child. You do not need to read it in detail, we simply offer it as a resource and ask that you take the time to become familiar with it. The handbook can be found at

<https://mysasp.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/SASP-handbook-2021-2022-FINAL.pdf>

2. Considerations before submitting an application.

Conduct/Environment. This shooting sports program is an extension of Cornerstone Teen Center www.cornerstoneteen.org and it is important to our board of directors that all aligned programs adhere to the spirit of our mission statement, *To provide a safe, clean, wholesome, and enjoyable environment for teenaged youth in order to foster their individual development and to enhance wellness and morale within the community.* This being the case, we will seek to maintain an environment that is conducive to the development of well-rounded athletes and young citizens during every shooting sports activity. Everyone involved in the program (coaches, parents and participants) must serve as role models for team members to emulate by upholding high moral and ethical standards of personal conduct.

Safety & Sportsmanship. SASP places a strong emphasis on sportsmanship and safety. As part of this effort, parents/guardians are asked to read and discuss the elements of SASP's Sportsmanship Contract with their child participant. This is a contract between the Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation and the parent/guardian and

his/her child. We encourage parents/guardians to review this contract at https://mysasp.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/SASP-Sportsmanship_2022-2023.pdf prior to submitting an application.

Cost. Participation in our shooting sports program will cost \$75 per individual participant. If selected to the program, payment must be made before 30 November of the application year. \$25 will be paid to SASP as part of the registration process (which starts the insurance and protects the club/organization) and \$50 will be paid directly to our team (Camas Clearwater Sporters).

Location. Training will occur at the team's private range in Nezperce (which was approved by the Lewis County Planning & Zoning Committee).

Scheduling. Our program is designed to attract and support youth that are homeschooled, or attend private or public schools. Each year, the season begins in January and ends the following year in September. We will try to train one time per month when school is in session and twice per month during the summer. For those who wish to compete at the regional level, it is important to train during the winter and spring in order to prepare for competitions that are typically scheduled in late Spring/early Summer. Training may occur on Fridays for youth that are homeschooled or attend schools with 4 day schedules and again on Saturdays to support youth that attend schools with 5-day schedules. This is a competitive sports activity so do not assume that it will be deconflicted with other Spring or Fall sporting activities that are part of a public school system.

Required Training. Participants must attend the first two team events to secure their seat in the program.

These two events include a 1 hour meet & greet in January, at Cornerstone Teen Center in Nezperce (dinner included) and an 8 hour NRA Basic Pistol Course in the Spring at American Freedom Defense, Greencreek (no fee required). These two mandatory events serve as the starting point for our season. ***Participants that do not attend these events will be dropped from the team and fees will not be refunded.***

Equipment. Participants will be required to provide their own clothing (appropriate for the season) but the club will provide all guns, ammunition, personal protective equipment (eye & ear pro) and range/target supplies.

Weapons & Course of Fire: SASP courses of fire will include rimfire and centerfire pistol and rifle speed shooting disciplines, NRA courses of fire may include high power/long range disciplines using .223, and our locally developed tactical program will likely employ .223 in scenario based courses of fire. Athletes will likely use 22LR, 9mm, and .223 calibers while shooting steel, paper, silhouette, and hostage targets. The primary training activity will be the SASP speed shooting course of fire utilizing 22LR pistol and steel targets .

Transportation. Participants are responsible for their transportation to/from training events. Participants are also responsible for their own transportation to regional competitions if they chose to participate at that level.

Application and Forms. To participate in this program, parents/guardians must submit an application which will include a (1) page essay written by your child, and complete (3) SASP forms. Application instructions can be found on the Cornerstone Teen Center home page at www.cornerstoneteen.org . Click on the application button and follow the instructions to submit an application. **Once received, a selection committee will review the applications and essays and select 16 applicants to participate in the program. Parents/guardians will be notified by 5 Nov then have until 30 Nov to submit the (3) SASP forms.** One of these forms, the Athlete Consent and Waiver Form will be completed electronically through the SASP portal. The other two forms, the Sportsmanship Contract Form and the Medical Consent Form will be downloaded and submitted to the team's head coach.

We can only support 16 participants and returning athletes have priority, so the application process will be competitive. If you are ready to apply, please go to the application button at www.cornerstoneteen.org to begin the process.

If you have questions, please shoot us an email at cornerstoneteen@yahoo.com or send a PM on FB at <https://www.facebook.com/Cornerstone-Teen-Center-104409718142512>

We wish you the best of luck!