

# **National Archery in the Schools Program**

**Update for Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agency  
Directors**

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**Midwest State Fish and Wildlife Agencies are  
major supporters of NASP**

**Background:**

**NASP began in early 2002**

**“National Survey of Hunting and Wildlife Association Recreation”**

**2001 Hunter Numbers.....13.0 Million**

**2006 Hunter numbers.....12.5 Million (-4.0%)**

**2001 Archery Hunters.....1,892,000**

**2006 Archery Hunters.....1,940,000 (+ 2/5%)**

**NASP History:**

**The National Archery in the Schools Program began in 2002.**

**The initial 3 year goal was to be in 100 schools.**

**The 3 year goal was achieved in 1 year.**

**NASP..... Status Report 2007:**

**2.3 million Kids have learned archery through NASP**

**3751 schools teach NASP in PE Class**

**42 states have implemented NASP**

**7 states have scheduled NASP training**

**1/3 of schools have started after-school programs.**

**29% students purchase archery equipment**

**(Responsive Management Study)**

**20 states at National tournament (40%females)**

**Victoria, Australia State Police have 4000 kids in NASP**

**Nova Scotia, Canada instructors trained June, 2007.**

**Education Benefits**

**School Officials/Teachers/Parents/students reporting:**

**Better attendance on NASP days**

**Kids Feeling better about school**

**Other academic areas developing lessons in math and  
Science based on NASP**

**Research is needed to analyze results and devise growth  
strategies.**

**Education Research Questions:**

**Is NASP improving:**

**Attendance in schools?**

**Behavior?**

**Grades in PE?**

**Grades in other subject areas?**

**Fish and Wildlife Agency Questions:**

**Is NASP increasing:**

**Archery participation?**

**Hunter numbers?**

## **What If.....?**

**Your agency could partner in a program which has taught 2.3 million kids a shooting sport?**

**Your agency could partner in a program which is growing by 1,000,000 participants a year?**

**Your agency could partner in a program which is taught in 3751 schools and grows by 1000 schools each year?**

**Your agency could offer educators a program which would improve attendance at school, student's self-esteem, and grades?**

**Would you support it?**