



Welcome to USA Youth Education in Shooting Sports. As a member of USA Youth Education in Shooting Sports Organization (USAYESS) you are participating in the most inclusive Youth Competitive Shooting Program in the country. USAYESS is a Youth Development Program that develops positive life skills through the safe handling of firearms, wildlife and wildlife habitat conservation programs, competitive shooting sports, and other outdoors programs.

USAYESS was founded in 2012, and is the only all-inclusive national youth outdoor program, which offers all six of the major shotgun disciplines. USAYESS introduces educational outdoor conservation activities to youth in elementary school through high school. With industry partnerships and other relationships across the country, the total number of young shooters that USAYESS reaches is in the thousands.

USAYESS is a 501 (c) (3) educational foundation that raises funds and other resources to support youth shooting programs and outdoor conservation activities.

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USAYESS has a program for just about anyone. USAYESSS is the only youth program in the country which hosts Youth Outdoor Experience events designed to introduce the entire family to the wonders of shooting sports, outdoor life as well hosts an annual State Youth Shooting Sports Association National Conference in order to help grow their programs. USAYESS Youth Clay Target Cup Series offers a competitive shooting environment in American trap, American skeet, sporting clays, International trap and skeet, small bore rifle and pistol.

USAYESS is a perfect fit for any youth interested in elementary through high school and young adults in college to learn about firearm safety, and or shooting sports. Our program is open to any youth and young adults belonging to a local club team, and or any youth organization which has a competitive shooting program. Any youth organization is welcome to participate in USAYESS events, membership is not a requirement. This makes USAYESS unique.





A USAYESS team consists of an adult Head Coach and two or more athletes. There is no limit to the number of squads a team may field.

A Competitive Squad consists of five athletes for American Skeet, American Trap, Sporting Clays and 5-Stand. There is no squadding for international games.

Novice: 5th grade and below (dependent upon maturity,

and coach's approval) \*

Intermediate: 6th through 8th grades \*

Jr. Varsity: 9th grade and first-time competitors in high school \*Senior: 10th 12th (no bump-ups into the collegiate division)

College: Freshman through Senior (fulltime college

undergraduate. Includes: Community Colleges, Colleges, Universities, and Trade Schools) \*\*

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For Collegiate Clay Target Regionals and National Tournaments, please visit: acui.org/claytargets.org.

<sup>\*</sup>Athletes in this division, may be bumped up into the next higher division.

<sup>\*\*</sup> USAYESS state partners and or affiliates are highly encouraged to host collegiate state championships, in conjunction with their grade school tournaments. College athletes may not compete against grade school athletes. As a partnership with ACUI, and bridge to college clay target sports, USAYESS does not host any Regional or National collegiate championships. For collegiate tournaments, please visit www.acui.org/claytargets.