



Starting a Team is a simple process requiring a certified coach, the minimum number of students to form a squad, and a place to practice. Basic Shotgun Coach certification is offered through the Iowa Department of Natural Resources Shooting Sports Program as a one-day, low-cost, hands-on and discipline-specific training program. Courses are offered frequently throughout the state. The basic squad of shooters needed to form a team is 5 students for trap and 3 students for skeet and sporting clays with the squad of shooters from the same age division (5th grade and under, 6th-8th and 9th-12th). Lastly, a team must have a place to practice that has facilities for the specific clay target game they wish to shoot (trap or skeet field and/or sporting clays/5-stand). For more information on starting a team, contact the Iowa DNR Shooting Sports Program at 515-281-5918 or online at www.iowadnr.gov/law/shootingsports/index.html

Facts About The Scholastic Clay Target Program

- Sporting clays, skeet and trap shooting are safer than all popular school sports**
- SCTP goes beyond competitive shooting - it builds character. Seven in 10 senior shooters credit SCTP for providing leadership skills*
- 30% of participants would not have been introduced to shooting without SCTP*
- 78% of students said they would shoot more often if they had the opportunity to earn a scholarship*
- 57% of parents said their view of the shooting sports is more acceptable because of their child's involvement in SCTP*
- >95% of parents said that SCTP has been a positive influence in their child's development*
- >45% of parents said that their child's grades have improved since being part of SCTP*

*From National Shooting Sports Foundation Industry Intelligence Report Vol2No4

**From American Sports Data, Inc. - "A Comprehensive Study of Sports Injuries in the U.S."

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The Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) is a team-based clay target shooting program that is changing the lives of grade, middle and high school students nation-wide and in Iowa. Through organized clay target shooting, kids are learning lifelong skills such as gun safety, teamwork, respect for self and others, mental focus and self-discipline.



Sponsored by the Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation and the national governing bodies of each sport, SCTP has >10,000 participants nation-wide. In Iowa, the Scholastic Clay Target Program has joined forces with the strong tradition of Iowa high-school trapshooting programs to establish a spring shooting season for organized trap, skeet and sporting clays. Starting in March, teams are lead by certified coaches, practices are conducted, and local matches are held with neighboring teams. All of these activities lead up to the Iowa High School and SCTP Championships in May and June.

High School and SCTP programs can be either club or school based but high school team competitions are strictly between teams whose squad members are all from the same school.



Competitive League Events

As your team is being assembled, consider hosting a shoot or attending a shoot being hosted by another team. Information on hosting shoots and a complete calendar of Iowa High School and SCTP shoots can be found on the Iowa DNR Shooting Sports website at www.iowadnr.gov/law/shootingsports/index.html. Shoots can be either SCTP (all-ages) or High School League events for boys and girls in grades 9-12 only. League events are 50 target events for all disciplines. League events must be scheduled during April and May. League shoots must be scheduled through the DNR so shoot dates and locations can be posted to the DNR website. After the shoot, the shoot director sends the official shoot results back to the DNR for posting of the state-wide league and all state team standings. These standings will be posted to the DNR Shooting Sports website throughout the season creating a friendly but competitive electronic competition over the entire state. In 2010, there were over 100 league events across the state of Iowa with over 300,000 competitive targets shot!

High School All State Teams

A major part of the Iowa High School and Scholastic Clay Target Program is the Iowa High School All State Teams for the top girl and boy trap, skeet and sporting clays shooters. The top high school trap team for the season will be awarded the 'Iowa Cup' trophy sponsored by DNR Shooting Sports. All state team criteria for each discipline are as follows:

Trap: 300 Targets

- 200 targets shot at four or more high school events*
- 100 targets shot at the High School Championships on at Cedar Falls

Iowa Cup: 2,500 Targets (5 shooter team)

- 1500 targets from high school all-state team
- 1000 targets from SCTP trap championships
- Awarded to top high school trap team based on top 5 shooter cumulative totals

Skeet: 150 Targets**

- 50 targets shot at one or more high school events*
- 100 targets shot at the SCTP State Championships

Sporting Clays 150 Targets**

- 50 targets shot at one or more high school events*
- 100 targets shot at the SCTP State Championships

*For shooters shooting more than the required number of events, the top scores will be used.