



Archery Information Acknowledgement for Manes Elementary School Panthers Archery Club

Dear Parent(s)/Guardians,

Manes Elementary is pleased to announce that we will be participating in the Archery Club after school for the 2024-2025 school year. The Panthers Archery Club has adopted the teaching and safety standards of the NASP (National Archery in Schools Program). While the NASP has a better safety record than most other physical activities, there is always a chance for injury. Injuries and accidents can be nearly eliminated when safety rules are followed. Students will show mastery of safety rules and procedures prior to using any archery equipment. Students will be expected to adhere to all safety rules and follow guidelines on care of the equipment. Anyone ignoring or not following expectations will be sidelined from the activity until sufficient retraining has occurred to ensure the safety of all.

This year we are excited to announce the inclusion of 4th graders to our archery program. 4th graders must have an older sibling already in archery in order to be eligible. NASP goes from 4th-12th grade. There will be some extra guidelines for our 4th graders in order to maintain the safety of all. We will start our practice with string bows. (a string bow is a length of paracord that students can practice their form with before moving on to a real bow) As always, the safety of our students will always be our priority.

In order for our 4th graders to be able to attend a competition, they must first:

- Be able to draw the bow at a sufficient weight for their arrows to stick in the target*
- Be able to consistently hit the target 97% of the time (approx. 2 missed arrows per meet)
- Understand Scoring Protocol and be able to properly score their arrows

*Per NASP Guideline: “4.4.10. If the archer’s draw weight and draw length are not sufficient to perform on par with other archers in the tournament, the archer may be removed. Shot arrows that fail to reach or stick in the target butts are symptomatic of insufficient performance. “

We will also be providing transportation to all meets this year as well. Students can meet at the school prior to a meet to ride on the bus. Please let us know prior to a meet if your student will be riding the bus.

If you and your child understand and accept the responsibilities that come with archery participation please sign this form and return it ASAP. No student will be allowed to participate in archery without this permission slip filled out completely. Please discuss this with your student and have them sign. If you have further questions regarding the NASP directed Archery Club at Manes Elementary please do not hesitate to call. The Panthers Archery Club will meet during the following scheduled times on the attached sheet. Please return the signed portion by November 11, 2025.

Practices will be held Tuesday-Thursday from 3:05-4:00 P.M. Our first practice will be Tuesday, November 12th.

Thank you,
Coach Jen Scott
Coach Tori Akers
(417) 668-5313

*** ONLY RETURN IF PARTICIPATING IN ARCHERY PLEASE

I give permission for my child to participate in the Panthers Archery Club. I also understand that no extra archer equipment of any kind may be brought from home without coach approval and that anyone ignoring or not following expectations may be sidelined or removed from the program immediately.

Print Student's Name

Print Parent/Guardian Name

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Date