

Academic Archer Criteria

The NASP® Academic Archer program sponsored by Easton Technical Products was instituted to promote and recognize academic excellence among all eligible NASP® student archers

The status of being recognized nationally as a "NASP® Academic Archer" was discussed and the 2015 NASP® student advisory recommended that the designation should involve the following:

- The Academic Archer recognition program is an optional program and is independent from any/all forms of tournament participation.
- The NASP® Academic Archer program is available only to participating NASP® schools. Participation is a local decision and is determined utilizing existing local criteria regarding academic recognition.
- NASP® BAI certified teachers/coaches can register eligible students for Academic Archer status in one of two ways.
 - 1. https://nasptournaments.org/default.aspx (for archers that are involved with the competitive school team or are on the roster for NASP® competitions),

or

2. https://naspbai.org/default.aspx (for students who participate in NASP® through the in-school lessons)

Regardless of which pathway chosen, students only need to be nominated once during entire school year.

- All students that participate in an in-school NASP® archery class or participate on the school archery team at a recognized NASP® school <u>and</u> meet local academic recognition criteria, are eligible to be entered for Academic Archer status.
- The NASP® advisory offered the following guidelines if no local school criteria exist for Academic Archer recognition:
 - o The Student should be, a participant in their school's "in-school" NASP® archery class, or a participant on the schools NASP® archery team during the current school year.
 - o The Student should have no D's or F's (or equivalent), to qualify as a NASP® Academic Archer.
 - o The designated Academic Archer should maintain a grade point average that establishes them well within existing school GPA criteria for high academic standards.
 - o When no school academic recognition criteria exist, the local NASP® teacher/coach should consult and collaborate with the school principal to establish such criteria, before designating students with Academic Archer status.

All NASP® Academic Archers will be automatically registered for a chance to win 1 of 10 free Genesis bows and specially marked Easton arrows. Equipment winners will be selected and announced prior to the Eastern National NASP® tournament.

- Each Academic Archer may be provided with a certificate suitable for framing at the local NASP® banquet or school sponsored student academic recognition ceremony according to local practices. The certificate is downloadable from https://www.naspschools.org/opportunities/academic-archer
- NASP® teachers/coaches can designate eligible students for Academic Archer status when utilizing nasptournaments.org for any NASP® tournament, or through naspbai.org using their BAI number See https://www.naspschools.org/opportunities/academic-archer for instructions regarding designating for NASP® Academic Archer.
- The NASP® advisory also suggested that an optional recognition symbol be established for participating NASP® Academic Archers. NASP® and our partner Electronic Awards have developed a low cost, iron---on shoulder patch that can be purchased by any school. Available at https://www.naspschools.org/opportunities/academic-archer
- Patches are inexpensive and can be purchased in bulk for team applications.
- <u>Reminders</u> all decisions regarding the designation of Academic Archer status are local ones and should involve collaboration between the NASP® educator/coach and the principal of the school.

- Without existing school criteria, NASP® recommends that schools follow the recommendations of the NASP® advisory.
- National NASP® will support any/all local NASP® Academic Archer status designations and will recognize NASP® tournament Academic Archer designees as a group at each flight of the NASP® National Tournament.
- NASP® will promote the Academic Archer program on the naspschools.org web site, social media, and participating industry media outlets