

2017 Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation and NRA Competitive Shooting Sports All Scholastic Team

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation (SSSF) and National Rifle Association (NRA) Competitive Shooting Sports division are proud to announce the 2017 SSSF/NRA All Scholastic Team. The All Scholastic Team recognizes student athletes involved in the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) and Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP) for their accomplishments in the classroom, in their communities and on the range.

Through an application process, 2017 All Scholastic Team Members have proven academic excellence by posting 3.0 or better grade point averages, shooting excellent scores in recent competition (95% in trap or skeet, 85% in sporting clays, 88% in international or 75 seconds or less for SASP) and by demonstrating outstanding community involvement.

Congratulations to the 2017 All Scholastic Team members!!

Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation, Inc.

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**Victor
Cordova**

Sonoran Trails Middle School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SCTP has taught me to respect myself, comradery, teamwork, how to build friendships, trust, encourage others, interact with people of all ages and walks of life. It has definitely made me a better athlete.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Skeet

AZ

**Victoria
Hendrix**

Northwest Christian School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has shown me the value of leadership, camaraderie, and the strength of the bond between people who share a common hobby and love of something.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

American Skeet

AZ

**Tomi
Ownby**

Chaparral high School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I found my passion in shooting clay target sports and I found some of my best friends with the Ben Avery Clay Crushers. I love the competitive but welcoming environment!



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

AZ

Robert "Will"**Pike****Perry High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped me to become more confident and improve my leadership skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

AZ**Griffin****Toliver****Mountain Sky Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has made me more responsible around guns and for my actions. I have learned sportsmanship and respect for others and their feeling. It lets me start to coach younger shooters with gun safety and conduct on the shooting range. It has also allowed me to travel to other states for shoots and meet other kids from around the country. I am learning how to control fear of losing and calmness when performing good or bad.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

AZ**Christopher****Welsh****Coyote Hills Elementary****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP Program has helped me to be strong in my academics so that I can continue to shoot. The SCTP Program has introduced me to many friends, coaches and families that will have a long lasting impact on my development as a young man. I have been fortunate enough to travel the country competing in matches in several disciplines and look forward to many years of shooting in my future.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

AZ

Lauren**Welsh****Liberty High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target program has helped me develop my character and taught me how to have good sportsmanship in all circumstances. While shooting I have met many people from all around the country and have made many great friends. I love traveling with my team around the country to many different shoots and enjoy getting to compete with them!

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

AZ**Joseph****Witty****Yavapai College****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The scholastic clay target program has helped me grow as a young person by helping me strive academically by setting a standard. I took this same standard and integrated it into my shooting to push myself further in shooting and in school.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

International Skeet

AZ**Selina****Lin****Christian High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP provides me the chance to hang out with kids at my age who share the same interests. During the shooting practices and competition I learn more people and make more friends. Besides I get great incentive to develop my shooting capability and help to build my confidence by attending the competitions.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

CA**Isaac****Smith****River Springs Charter / Keys Academy****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I feel that SCTP has helped me to learn to cope better with the stress of competition and to be more sportsman-like in behavior. I enjoy working as a team and supporting and encouraging my teammates. I also enjoy watching new shooters progress and offering help where I can.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

CA

Bryon**Baca****Manitou Springs High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped me develop in many different ways. It has helped me not only to better my clay target game by competing, but it has also helped me with my social skills by talking to other athletes and coaches. SCTP has made me a better person all around.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Dalton**Kirchhoefer****Legend High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP program has helped me develop by giving me another reason to keep my grades on track and enabling me to have goals to reach for. Ever since I started shooting my entire life has improved. I focus harder in school and practice hard in shooting so I can reach the goals I have set for myself.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

CO

Ashley**Blenker****Cooper City High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped mold me as a young person by developing discipline and dedication to what it takes to be apart of a team and this sport.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

FL

Nicholas**Blenker****Cooper City High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) has allowed me to develop as a person because it allows athletes to compete in team events which build character traits such as teamwork and discipline.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

FL

Zachary**Bolotte****Hagerty High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**


July 11, 2016. 57.21 seconds of this day solidified years of special commitment to a lifelong passion. Just a year after falling two places behind the title of National Champion, my brothers and I succeeded. After dissecting every aspect of our technique through hundreds of hours on the range with some of the world's most elite coaches, the four of us had finally earned the right to call ourselves the 2016 Scholastic Action Pistol Program National Champions. Firearms have blessed me with the ability to travel across the country while competing against a handful of the most disciplined individuals I have ever met. My father, a Navy Veteran of 20 years, taught me to properly handle a firearm in the fifth grade. As I grew, my interest in the sport increased exponentially - driving me to compete at the local level starting in the seventh grade. At the start of high school, I was awarded the opportunity to become a disciple of Nason Miner - former Special Forces officer and FBI weapons expert. Alongside three of my now greatest friends, Coach Miner escorted me to national competitions in Texas, Ohio, Illinois, Alabama, and Missouri. Our work ethic became something to emulate. Time and time again, our program was recognized by industry leaders and the firearm community as a whole. With every shot, we became stronger - both as marksmen and people. Marksmanship units from the nation's service academies began to join in our program as well - but have never been able to match the accomplishments of my teammates and I. Our physical capabilities, however, were never the secret to our success - what we had mastered were our own minds. The very essence of action shooting is an acute awareness of the minutia surrounding the shooter and the subsequent ability to respond deliberately in times of stress. As targets sway, fall, and emerge from hiding, one's judgement is placed on the edge of collapse. With unparalleled intensity, our training gave me an ability to accurately assess life's situations and produce a swift and accurate reaction.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle


**Dylan
Boyles**
Harmony High School
How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:
Over the past 3 seasons, SASP has helped me develop both my social and shooting skills by our coach's belief in a team atmosphere. I have really enjoyed my time on the CFRPC team and appreciate the enthusiasm and commitment our coaches have to the program...



Qualifying Disciplines:
SASP Pistol

FL

**Rainey
Carter**
Olymoia HS
How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:
SASP has given Rainey great purpose and confidence in herself and life.



Qualifying Disciplines:
SASP Pistol

FL


**Reed
Carter**
Olympia HS
How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:
SASP has taught me discipline, self confidence and drive in all things I do.



Qualifying Disciplines:
SASP Pistol

FL

**JOSEPH
FANIZZI**
ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL
How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:
SCTP has helped me in many ways over the years. It has taught me leadership, work ethic, and how to compete. I learned how to become part of a team and compete as a unit. Helping and positively cheering on your peers has also been reinforced thru SCTP. Sportsmanship is the last topic that sticks out to me. Competing in SCTP has helped me become a proud and honored winner, but also has taught me to be a modest loser because everyday is not our day when it comes to shooting.



Qualifying Disciplines:
Sporting Clays

FL

Mitchell Henderson

Lake Nona High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

It has taught me responsibility, respect for others and instilled a competitive spirit with a desire to help my team.



FL

Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

Peter Jones

Olivet Private School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Shooting with my sporting clay team has been one of the best experiences that I have had. I have had the opportunity to meet many new people and make a lot of friends in the process. Shooting with my team has improved my social skills as well as my shooting abilities, which I will be able to use throughout my life.



FL

Qualifying Disciplines:

Sporting Clays

Ryan Ledbetter

Steinbrenner High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I like that the SCTP gives my friends and I the opportunity to come together and shoot targets in a safe and friendly environment where we can compete as a team and individually.



FL

Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Christopher Meeks

Steinbrenner High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:




Several years ago, I began shooting in the SCTP with my ATA/Trap team Tampa Bay Clays. Since that time, Trap Shooting has helped me develop into a person who isn't afraid to try new challenges. I have met my best friends through my shooting team and have learned to push myself past my comfort zone.☑



FL

Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Sarah Myers Olympia High School How the SCTP / SASP has helped me: The SASP has helped teach me discipline, teamwork and leadership. Also, the preparation for and attendance at the highest level of competition has increased my motivation and confidence.		FL Qualifying Disciplines: SASP Pistol
Michael Reyes Sunlake High School How the SCTP / SASP has helped me: The Scholastic Clay Target Program has taught me gun safety and respect. I have been blessed to shoot with kids of all different ages and abilities. You can always learn more and help others by reminding them the techniques that we learn from our coaches. Every coach has taught me something new that I can take with me into my college years on my university shooting team. This program allows you to meet people from different states with one main thing in common, our love and respect for shooting. SCTP has helped me develop into a responsible, respectful, young man who appreciates his parents for allowing me to be very active in a sport that I love.		FL Qualifying Disciplines: Sporting Clays
Jackson Vasey Lyman High School How the SCTP / SASP has helped me: Its allowed me to develop as a leader and perform under pressure.		FL Qualifying Disciplines: SASP Pistol

**Aaron
Copelan****Gatewood Schools****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I started shooting SCTP in the 3rd grade. I remember the support and help I was given by the coaches and older shooters on our team. This has made me become more mindful of new shooters on our team now. I try to be helpful to the young shooters because of the help I was so graciously given when I started.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

**Baylor
Garland****Gatewood Schools****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Not only has the SCTP given me the opportunity to meet many people, of all ages, that are passionate about the shooting sport, but it has also helped instill values in me that will help me succeed in life. These values include discipline, a work ethic, dedication, and respect for safety and other people. I have learned how to meet and talk to others from all over the country. When traveling through my state and other states to compete, I have learned about setting goals and working extremely hard to reach those goals. The SCTP gives all of us the opportunity to use teamwork firsthand in reaching the individual and team goals. Most importantly, I have learned how to properly handle success and defeat and how to adapt for different outcomes. Life will be full of wins and losses, which I can say through SCTP I am more equipped to handle.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

**Taylor
Hyatt****Gatewood School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has not only provided opportunities to travel the country and meet many different people, it has engrained valuable life lessons in me. It has taught me that you typically get out of something what you put in to it. I have also learned to be humble in triumph and gracious in defeat.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

Julianna**Johnson****John Hancock Academy****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Shooting for SCTP has changed my life. I love doing it and would not trade it for anything. Shooting is something I love doing, from clay target sports to hunting. I enjoy shooting for the Lake Oconee Shotgun Team (LOST) because it allows me to travel to new places and meet all kinds of new people. I have made many new friends and met many amazing coaches and mentors through shooting. I even met Vincent Hancock at the SCTP Nationals in Sparta, Illinois! Shooting brought me and my father closer, because he helped start my high school team and he was my coach. Getting to go to meets nearly every weekend and practicing on Sundays means the world to me, and I want to continue shooting while I am in college.

**GA****Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

Marshall**Johnston****Gatewood Schools****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I started shooting just before the 6th grade in the SCTP. I only knew basic gun safety and nothing about shotgun shooting. My first year of SCTP I passed my Georgia Hunter's Safety course and won some awards at the State Championship. Now I am starting high school and the 9th grade and am one of the more experienced shooters. I get to help the younger shooters like others helped me. While shooting in the SCTP I have met and shot with college shooters, master class shooters, adults, professional shooters and even Olympic athletes. When I started I wasn't comfortable shooting or being around lots of new people. Now I am both because I shoot in the SCTP. When SCTP ends many of us shoot on our school's Varsity shotgun teams and the sport is really growing, our school is three time defending state champions. A lot of SCTP shooters like me and my parents helped get our school teams started and the sport is really growing.

**GA****Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

Camryn**McCraney****Fideles Christian School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP is a great place to learn important life skills. My self-confidence and self-esteem have greatly increased during my 5 years of competition both on the field and off the field.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

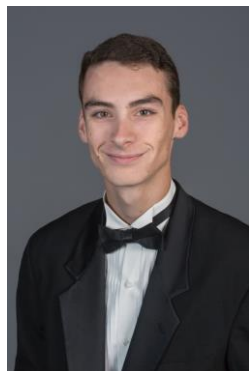
American Trap

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

GA**Mitchell****McCraney****Fideles Christian School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Shooting sports requires discipline, self-control, hand-eye coordination and concentration. SCTP has helped develop all of these traits. These traits are life-long skills that I use in my daily life, whether it is with family and friends, school work or work life.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

GA**Walker****McDonald****Savannah Christian Preparatory School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped grow confidence in myself. It has also showed me the importance of hard work, persistence, and team work. I enjoy competing as an individual but also as a squad. It has shown me that although you have to be accountable to yourself that you also have a squad that depends on you as well. I know I have a ways to go but the SCTP program has pointed me in the right direction.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

GA

JT

Osborne

Bulloch Academy

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SCTP has helped to develop me and change me in many ways. First, it has created many friendships, young and old, that will last a lifetime. I have met many people across multiple states. Secondly, it has allowed me to hone my craft. I have amassed many titles across 12 states. I have learned more about this sport than I could have imagined. It is such a gift to have words of wisdom shared from the men and women that have been leaders in the sport for many years. It is humbling for them to invest personal time as they pour into me. Lastly, SCTP has changed me as a person. It has increased my self-confidence, patience, focus, attitude, and perseverance. I have learned how to win and how to take my losses. It has taught me to leave it all out there and to give it my best effort because every shot matters. I am thankful for all the memories that I have and the many more to come in the following years. This sport has changed my direction and outlook on life. I would not be the person I am today without it.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Trevor

Toms

South Forsyth High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The program has taught me to discipline my emotions to improve my scores. I have also learned that practicing regularly and taking advice from leaders is necessary to improve. I have also learned how to work together with others to form a cohesive team.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

GA

Douglas

Williams II

south effingham high shcool

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I enjoy meeting new people and competing with friends.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

GA

Brent**Alman****Pleasant Valley High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I have become a more respectful competitor and am able to be a good sportsman in both victory and defeat. It has taught me skills for my personal growth and development as well as skills for teaching others the shooting disciplines.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap SASP Pistol
SASP Rifle

IA

Grace**Asmussen****Union High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I am more aware of gun laws and the importance of gun safety. The SASP has allowed me to travel to many places to compete. My coach has worked very hard not only to teach me the safety aspects of handling a gun, but the proper shooting techniques as well. He continues to strive to help me become a better shooter. I am always shooting to get my personal best.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

IA

Parker**Baugh****Mt. Pleasant Community High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Shooting in the Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me to improve my self-control, focus, and self-discipline. I've learned to be a better team member and to have fun while working hard. I appreciate the coaches and all they do for the team.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

IA

Hunter Ryan**Block****Ankeny Centennial****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I enjoy the fact that everyone has the opportunity to participate in SCTP. I have developed many friendships in Iowa and other states. It is the principles and standards gained through SCTP that I will take forward.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

IA

**Nicole
Breese****Solon High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped me become a better leader and teacher. I really enjoy helping and giving advice to the new and younger members on my team. Seeing them grow and get better with each shoot and practice is really great. I never thought that I would be someone people look up to, and I wouldn't be the leader I am today without the SCTP.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

IA

**Tanner
Calderwood****North Tama High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SASP has helped me to develop who I am by teaching me to have high expectations and to adapt when things don't go right. I have learned to think quickly, figure things out in a timely manner and make them right. This has helped me both on and off the shooting range.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

IA

**Megan
Carty****Union Community Schools****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SASP has taught me the importance of commitment and open-mindedness. In order to further my shooting skills I have to stay committed to practicing and getting better and I have to stay open-minded about changing how I shoot.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

IA

**Carlton
Davis****Ankeny Centennial****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Shooting trap for my high school has introduced me to not only my favorite hobby, but new friends through not only my fellow teammates but with my coaches also. SCTP has definitely changed my life for the better by showing me the true meaning of dedication and commitment.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

IA

**Hunter
Frerichs****North Scott High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I moved to Iowa two years ago from Wisconsin, and the SCTP program has given me the opportunity to spend time outdoors with a bunch of new friends. Trap, skeet and sporting clays will be activities I will continue to shoot with friends and family, well after I finish high school.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

IA

**Jacob
Greenzweig****Charles City High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

As a member of the Scholastic Clay Target Program, I developed a multitude of qualities that have shaped me into the person I am today. As a young individual some skills that I needed were patience, dedication, discipline, and the ability to work as a team. When I started shooting with the Charles City Trapshooting team, American trap is what would eventually teach me these skills. As a freshman who knew little to nothing about what it would take to become a good shooter, I started to understand the process that was going to have to happen. I began putting in more hours at the range, shooting extra rounds after every meet, and spending time communicating with my coaches and teammates. After my sophomore season of shooting was complete and I had been doing those things every week, I noticed those qualities in me rise to the surface, and my scores improved. By gaining these qualities I have learned how to work through a tough day, and persistently strive to make myself and team better. If I would have not joined the SCTP Program, I would have not gained the skills and characteristics I have today that make me the shooter I am.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

IA

**Luke
Hillegas**

Charles City High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I have developed as my own individual and as a team leader on my trapshooting team. Trapshooting has taught me patience, perseverance, teamwork and safety. I have always been eager to learn more about trapshooting and have worked hard throughout the years shooting on various leagues and practicing with my team when ever I could. I would encourage others interested in trapshooting to go out and try it. Practice hard and listen to your coaches. Trapshooting is something I will do for the rest of my life and I hope I can teach my kids some day how fun trapshooting can be.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

IA

**Ethan
Hornbuckle**

Pleasant Valley High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Throughout my shooting career, I have learned how to shoot with accuracy. The most important thing I've learned is the importance of safety and control in both my behavior and the use of a firearm. I've always considered myself to be a responsible young man, but shooting trap isn't something a lot of adults approve of. Especially with young people. It has been extra important for me to always be cautious, controlled and safe in the way I behave. In some ways I feel it has been a maturing force in my life. The rules set by my coaches were strict, but the rules I had to follow at home in order to be able to participate in trap were a lot more strict. It has been a defining moment for me as a young person.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

SASP Rifle

IA

**Joshua
Jorgensen**

Northview Middle School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Shooting trap has helped me with being part of a team. I have learned how to communicate better with others, and support my team whenever I can.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

IA

Thomas**Keeshan****North Scott High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I very much enjoy the team concept of the SCTP/SASP. On my SCTP team our squad has been together now for three years. We are first friends, second teammates and third competitors. It's exciting to see what the future holds for us.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

SASP Rifle

Michael**Mohr****North Scott High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It has made me mentally stronger.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Elise**Baker****Carlinville High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I enjoy the challenge of the trapshooting sport and the discipline that it has taught me. SCTP has a great program that encourages everyone to achieve their full potential and promotes team bonding. I love meeting new shooters and getting to work with an amazing group of coaches.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Makinzee**Benjamin****Sherrard Junior High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SASP has helped me develop as a young adult by teaching me leadership skills, teamwork, and responsibility.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

Jacob**Casey****West Carroll High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I started competing when I was 8 years old. I have several State and National awards. It has taught me focus, determination and dedication. Even though I may not shoot my best on a particular day, as long as I do my best I am still a winner at the end of the day. I am a proud supporter of our 2nd Amendment Rights and privileged to have it.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Amanda**Gunderson****Edwardsville High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has given a sport that I can love for a lifetime, confidence, and leadership. Our shooting club began by find SCTP and what it offers clubs that are just beginning. Without SCTP and what its policies it has for new clubs I do not know if I ever would have discovered this sport that has shaped my life for the past 4 years. Being involved in SCTP has given me the tools to be confident in what I do. I know if I am confident in my ability, then I will excel. I have applied this moto to my everyday life and especially my schoolwork. Since I have applied this to my schoolwork, I have excelled greatly. Lastly, through SCTP I have learned leadership. Since I am one of the so called "vetrans" of our club, the younger athletes look up to me for guidance in their game and how to have fun with the sport. With our club beginning a little over three years ago, I have had the pleasure of being the President for the past two years. Overall, SCTP has given me the tools and motivation to be the person I am today and I would not have gotten here without this organization.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Joshua**Jacobs****Granite City High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It has helped me set goals. The primary goal of being perfectly routine in my shooting every time I step to the line and have fun doing it. This goal setting will also serve my in my college studies and beyond.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Benjamin Kokotovich

Belleville Township Highschool East

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

It has helped me with teamwork skills.



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Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

Alex Ligman

Edwardsville High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SCTP has helped me develop skills (most importantly responsibility) that I can make use of outside the world of shooting. Through it's programs I have made many friends and acquaintances that I wouldn't have made otherwise.



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Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Ethan Mathias

SAINT BEDE ACADEMY: PERU, ILLINOIS

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SCTP has assisted me in developing the habits that, I feel, will help me throughout the rest of my life. It has helped me to become a leader in many aspects of life, not limited to shooting. However, it has mainly assisted me in finding a competitive sport which I am truly passionate about, and plan to participate in for the foreseeable future. I look forward to my days of competing on the collegiate level.



IL

Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Alexander**Miller****Edwardsville High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me by getting me to meet new people and to shoot in a competitive environment with other shooters with similar skill level. While participating in this competitive environment I find myself being challenged, therefore enhancing my abilities. As I meet new people and make some friends I am glad to find that there are many people who like shooting as much as I do. The academic and scholastic emphasis of the program has also helped me develop as a young person. I strive to keep a high Grade Point Average in school so I can continue to shoot. That strive has kept me on high honor roll for the past 7 quarters. I also plan to shoot SCTP and ATA for as long as I possibly can.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Raymond**Nagro****Warren Township High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

As soon as I busted my first clay, I knew this was the sport for me. The adrenaline that comes with shooting competitively is something I really enjoy. The sport also has helped me improve my concentration and learn how to remain calm under pressure, which are skills I now use not only when competing but also when taking tests at school. I've learned to prepare, follow my process and not give up even if I miss one. Finally, I've learned there are a lot of really nice people who share the same interest as me in the shooting sports.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Ankit**Pal****Moline Senior High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SASP has developed me to become a better young man in many ways. I have learned many life lessons including respect and safety. This program teaches responsibility in many ways. This is probably the biggest lesson that the program teaches. With responsibility taught by coaches and SSSF staff, shooters like myself can develop important life skills. As competitors we learn integrity, sportsmanship, and safety. Integrity and sportsmanship make us more effective members of society when working with others. Safety gives us the best chance of properly utilizing our Second Amendment Rights and being gun owning adults in the future. These are some of the many ways the SASP and SSSF develops great young people.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

Katherine**Pierce****Paxton-Buckley-Loda High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me to develop as a person in multiple ways. Through SCTP I have been exposed to multiple opportunities and people. SCTP has allowed me to travel out of my home state for shoots and introduced me to multiple friends across the country. I have been given the opportunity to meet with college representatives with shooting teams and scholarship possibilities. Through shooting skeet and trap it has helped teach me responsibility from taking care of my guns and working to insure safety rules are upheld on the range. Through SCTP I have developed into a person with better social skills and an understanding of responsibility.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

Rob**Rauhut****Johnsburg High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP had grown me to be a better shooter, Athlete, and person. The SCTP taught me Sportsmanship, respect to fellow athletes, and respect for coaches. This program helped me develop into a respectful, respectable, and appreciative young man. I hope to further my time in the SCTP my highschool and college Carrer.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Seth**Reno****Southwestern Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I have learned more about responsibility and competition while shooting at these events. I have also met other athletes at these events, which have become friends. I really enjoy meeting others and competing.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Daniel**Sauer****Eastland Jr./Sr. High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP helped me develop as a person in many ways. It has pushed me to shoot better trap as an individual, but also shoot well for my team. This has helped me in real life because when doing group projects I have to do my part really well for my grade, but also for the group grade once we put the project together. Also, trap shooting has helped me with my concentration.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Landon**Sievers****Calhoun Elementary School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has taught me many things. It has taught me focus and discipline. It has taught me responsibility and teamwork skills. Another thing that it has taught me is to have confidence and always challenge myself. I have also enjoyed making new friends. These are some of the reasons that I love competing in this program!

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Will**Skigen****Edwardsville High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Since I have started shooting with SCTP I have gained valuable leadership experience as a squad leader. I have also become more confident because I am learning to shoot under pressure.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Ryan**St. Peters****Edwardsville high school****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The scholastic clay target program has helped me develop into the man I am today. i am very appreciative of all it has done for me.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Jesse**Stevens****Columbia High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

This program has been very important to me in that it has provided me an opportunity to do something I love. I have never been interested in the sports offered at our school, yet I love to participate on a team and shoot trap. I have learned to be patient and diligent. I have had to learn to focus and concentrate on the sport as I do in my school work. Our coaches and mentors are very supportive and helpful. They are great role models. We have the opportunity to help the younger shooters and encourage them as well. It has been a great way to get out and enjoy the outdoors, compete, and make friends. Thank you so much for this opportunity. Without your organization, I would may not have had this opportunity. Although I can go shoot by myself, this program provides a team on which I can participate. I know being a part of a team builds character and leadership abilities along with being fun.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Shelby

IL

Zwart**North Boone High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has helped me blossom a young person in various ways. One way the program has benefited is letting me meet new people from different places all over the region, state, and nation. Also aid the younger or new shooters into good habits and give him helpful advice. I am thankful for the SCTP for letting me grow and thrive as a shooter and a finer person.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Ethan

IN

Buck**Rossville High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped to teach me to be professional, courteous, responsible, and to be a leader. I have developed these skills by being team oriented and to help others on my team to develop their shooting skills, through encouragement and by trying to be a good example. SCTP has also helped me to develop networking skills, by being able to compete with other teams in our state, which exposes a shooter to other coaches and even college coaches. All are a wealth of knowledge and experience, that all young shooters can benefit. Leadership is one of the most important skills SCTP has helped develop. With being a seasoned member of the team, the new members look up to the older shooters, and we have to help guide and teach them to be the best person and shooter possible. In conclusion, SCTP has also opened up many other opportunities that otherwise would not be possible for myself or other shooters. For example, the scholarships, local and regional competitions, college exposure, and national championships, which all have helped develop me into a well rounded young man.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Sam Carson

John Glenn High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I have competed in SCTP's many registered shoots for many years, and have seen growth personally and as a member of my community. SCTP has helped me understand the importance of striving for success, and I have learned hard work and determination is what leads to achievement. I've learned that sometimes you need to step up and take charge, and I have become more comfortable in that role through my involvement in SCTP. SCTP is very centered around youth development and ensures hard work is recognized by providing many opportunities to compete and win various awards. SCTP has helped shape me into the person I am today, and will continue to influence me for as long as I'm involved in the program.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Skeet

IN

Benjamin Chambers

Logansport High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Our SCTP team organized in January of 2016. I was one of the older members of our team and had some experience shooting trap. These two factors lead me to taking a leadership role for our team. This role made me take my practice and shooting time more seriously, but also allowed me to help some of our younger members grow in this sport.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

IN

Spencer Jordan

Westfield High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I have developed into a stronger leader and friend thru the SCTP program. I have made life long friends who enjoy doing the same thing as I do and I have been able to develop myself as a leader by assisting in coaching the younger kids on the team and helping them learn how to shoot safely. I enjoy the team aspect of the SCTP and allowing us to shoot as a team and not as just individuals. This has helped me grow as a young person to help others on the team and assist them when they need encouragement and assistance.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Sporting Clays

IN

Owen**Knight****North Miami Elementary****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped me develop as a young person. I am more mature now that I shoot and I have also learned many valuable life skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Kaleb**Lanoue****McCutcheon High School, Lafayette IN****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I have become more confident when meeting new people, time management is better, making sure homework is complete, and shooting schedules and work schedules don't interfere with each other. I have learned that I really enjoy working with younger shooters helping them to improve and learn to enjoy and respect the sport.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Kaleb**Rulon****Hamilton Heights High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me become a more responsible and safe shooter as well as helped my leadership and team skills. I feel like I am a better, more outgoing person since joining the SCTP.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

Blake**Sanford****Hamilton Heights High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It gives me a program to compete against other kids my own age like other sports I play. Shooting has become my favorite sport next to football. I have made many good friends over the years while shooting.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

Marla**Spencer****Logansport High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

By being apart of this program, it has shown me what it means to truly be apart of a team and not only progress from my own achievements, but to help my teammates progress from theirs.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

IN

Ali**Stong****Roncalli High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

How has SCTP helped me develop as a young person? My family was having a hog roast a few years ago, when my mom's boss brought out his manual trap, and shotgun. I asked my mom if I could try and shoot, she agreed. Her boss showed me the gun in detail, step by step from loading to pulling the trigger. I was hooked after the first shot. I bothered my Mom for days to call her boss to see when I could shoot again, he referred us to Indiana Gun Club. I started lessons. Then I was told about the youth team. I was afraid I wasn't good enough to be a part of the team. I went to the 1st practice and seen that there were kids with all different skill levels. Everyone was helpful, and encouraging towards me. Over the past 2 years my skill has developed, along with my appreciation of the sport. I have found that the core values, and the discipline that I have been given through my team flows over into my life in general. I find that I am mentally stronger under pressure. I also see that I am more social, not afraid of putting myself out there. As a team we encourage each other, always point out the positive. I've bonded with a lot of great people who share a love for the sport. Being a part of SCTP was at first hobby that soon developed into a family.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

IN

Joel**Timmons****Kesling Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It has taught me to be patient and respectful to others. I have also learned the importance of helping others with their difficult times, on and off the shooting fields.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

IN

Alex**Webb****Columbus North High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has done many things to help shape me as a person over the last three to four years. The largest thing that it has done is that it has helped me know when to get serious. The only thing that is comparable in impact on myself as a person is knowing how to be safe and what can be done to prevent accidents. The SASP has had other impacts on my personality as well, but none as large as knowing when to be serious and knowing the safe way to do things. Among the other things that the SASP has done to help shape my personality is that the program has helped me learn how to build friendships and bonds with my team mates, to be respectful towards other competitors, and to improve my presentation skills as I recruit new members to the team.

**IN****Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

Sam**Blevins****Oldham County High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped me become goal oriented and has allowed me to make great strides in my shooting career. Its core values of teamwork and leadership have helped me to grow both on and off the shooting range. It has also built up my confidence, and has enabled me to become more independent while providing opportunities to meet other fellow shooters and mentors.

**KY****Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Gregory Schneider

The Providence Country Day School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SCTP is an organization I am incredibly grateful toward. That I have become involved in the group has helped mold me into a much more well-rounded, solid, hardworking, conscientious, and most pertinently, social person. When I entered my team four years ago, I was a wholly different person socially; introverted, easily intimidated, and generally unsure of myself. Through the people that SCTP has introduced me to, the opportunities it has presented, the friends it has allowed me to connect with, I have truly been transformed. I find great confidence in myself on the trap line, in the classroom, in typical conversation now. I directly and wholeheartedly thank and acknowledge SCTP for making this change possible. SCTP has also taught me how to be a team player, and of the rewards that such can bring. The way that SCTP coaches interact with shooters in their distinct form of encouragement and engagement is refreshing and often enlightening. Their own commitment along with the SCTP in its mission to build us athletes into tomorrow's leaders has burgeoned my success as a student on the trap field and in school.



MA

Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Paddy Sullivan

Lee Middle and High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SASP has helped me develop by giving me something I have dedicated much time and effort to. I have learned to persevere through my practice and in competition and have applied these skills to other areas of my life.



MA

Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

Joshua Bush

Lowell High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has taught me to handle a shotgun safely and responsibly. It has taught me the value of teamwork and sportsmanship which is important in whatever you do.



MI

Qualifying Disciplines:

Sporting Clays

Jadon**Butler****Paragon Academy****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

One of the reasons why SCTP has helped me develop as a young person is the ability to be able to perform under pressure. I was in a shoot off last year at the SCTP National Championship in Marengo, Ohio, and my teammates and I were able to shoot well under pressure. We were able to do that because we were trained well by our SCTP coach to perform in that type of environment. SCTP has also taught me the ability to focus, not only in shooting but in life. Being able to focus on the skeet field or sporting clays course is easier said than done. I have been shooting SCTP for six years now and I have been able to use my skills I've learned in the classroom and in everyday activities. Overall I think SCTP will keep developing me as a young person for the years to come.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Samantha**Engle****Huron Valley Lutheran Highschool****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Throughout my years in the SASP, I have gained many positive characteristics that have helped to shape me into a responsible young adult. One of the most advantageous characteristics I have gained is respect. In this program, I have learned not only to respect the [Designated] Range Safety Officers, coaches, and parents/adults that help during practices, but I have also learned to respect my peers. Another attribute I have grown in is leadership. I have been active in the SASP for five years, four out of the five of those years I was chosen by my peers to be captain. As captain, I lead stretches and pre-shooting exercises. In this role, I have learned to come out of my shell and step up to be the leader I never knew I was capable of being. All in all, the SASP has caused me to grow in a positive direction to be an upstanding citizen and has prepared me for the real world to be the best that I can be and to step up and take charge at the right times.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

**Grant
Boswell****Logan-Rogersville****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Gives me the opportunity to shoot competitively and to hone my shooting skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO**Ethan
Boyer****Logan-Rogersville****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Gives me the opportunity to shoot competitively and to hone my shooting skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO**Noah
Boyer****Logan-Rogersville****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Gives me the opportunity to shoot competitively and to hone my shooting skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO**Kimberly
Browne****Francis Howell High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It makes me feel more involved. It's helped me get to know more people, all ages. It motivates me to shoot better.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO

**Tom
Browne**

Francis Howell High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Through the Scholastic Clay Target Program, I have developed much more than my scores and my shooting abilities. This program has allowed me the opportunity to meet many fine people and travel to many new places, which have provided me many good memories and experiences as well as lessons that will stay with me long after the events have come to a close. These lessons, memories, and experiences I have gained through the SCTP have come to develop my maturity and my sportsmanship beyond my expectations.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

MO

Danny

Busch

Hillsboro High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

It has taught me discipline and responsibility along with how to handle a gun safely.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

MO

Keaton

Clark

Logan-Rogersville

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Gives me the opportunity to shoot competitively and to hone my shooting skills.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

MO

Josh

Dintleman

Rockwood Summit High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

It helped me to become a responsible person by being able to operate a firearm safely. Also, it has allowed me to become a more developed person by teaching me integrity and marksmanship.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

MO

Jack**Groppe****Northwest High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program gave me something to commit to and strive to better myself and my score. It gave me confidence as well as respect and dedication.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO**Patrick****Hatfield****Kirkwood Senior High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Because of SCTP, I have been given the most amazing opportunities. I never shot a gun until two years ago. I have coaches who are amazing people, traveled, even attended the JO Development camp in Colorado Springs. This introduced me to the new shooting discipline of International Trap. These experiences have been a primary influence in my life the past year that have helped me develop as a shooter and as a person.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO**Hunter****Holiday****Logan-Rogersville****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Gives me the opportunity to shoot competitively and to hone my shooting skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO**Nick****Hufker****Oakville High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me develop as a young person by teaching me good listening skills, being respectful to others and to be responsible with my actions. This program has helped me make good friends and I have learned so much from my coaches.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO

MO

**Caleb
Johnson****Francis Howell****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It has given me a goal to achieve in trap shooting as well as a bar to stay above academically.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

**Lydia
Koetting****Ste. Genevieve High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It has helped me develop as a young person by allowing me to express who I am through the sport I love competing in. It helps me with my social skills, team work skills, and allows for me to expand my knowledge and help to teach others what I know. It also allows me to show others what I can do and not be discouraged that I am a woman and can do just as well, or better, than many men in the same sport.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

MO

**Aidan
Kurrus****Kirkwood High School, Kirkwood, MO****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Team Henges and the SCTP are an honor to be associated with. The competition is difficult but fair and well organized. I believe the life skills learned will benefit me the rest of my life.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO

**Branden
Laurent****Seckman High****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

No matter your size or strength, if you are willing to put in the effort and make every practice count, SCTP allows every individual the opportunity to excel.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO

Sean**Laurent****Seckman High****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has allowed me to dream big and accomplish my goals after a lot of hard work, many practice hours and thousands of shells. I have had wonderful opportunities through SCTP to grow as an athlete and an individual.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Joe**Leonard****Logan-Rogersville****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Gives me the opportunity to shoot competitively and to hone my shooting skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Ryan**Loveless****St. Pius X High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP and the shooting sports has helped me develop my mental approach to challenges. Whether the it's shooting events or preparing for academics, SCTP has helped my confidence in my abilities to achieve my goals. I think this will help me in most aspects of my life as I face other challenges.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Bailey**Lueders****Seckman Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

This program has given me confidence and discipline to compete to the best of my ability.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

**Liam
Owens****Webster Groves High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I am grateful for the opportunity that shooting sports provides to pursue a passion that I could not otherwise through academics alone. The SASP provides an opportunity to pursue my own excellence, learn with my teammates, getting to know them as well as myself and improve as a team under the guidance of our committed coaches who lead by example through their commitment, leadership and support to and for each one of us.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

MO**Jacob
Penrod****Branson High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It helped me gain better social skills by calming my social anxiety down.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO**Chase
Perry****Logan-Rogersville****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Gives me the opportunity to shoot competitively and to hone my shooting skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO

**Kirstan
Pfeiffer****Windsor Senior High****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Throughout the years of being a member of SCTP, my coaches and family have taught me the importance of hard work, dedication, and how far it will get me in this sport and my life. Along the way, I've made friendships with people who share the same love as I do for this sport. When I first joined the team, I was extremely shy, but, with all the support I received, I was able to overcome this. I start every season with new goals for myself to achieve so I hold myself to higher standards throughout the entire season.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO

**Lucas
Rosenmiller****Winfield High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Learning the discipline of shooting and all of the opportunities it has given me has definitely changed my life. It has taught me to push through when it is hard to focus. It has given me the chance to be a part of and friends with the great people in the shooting community. As I graduate high school and move on to the next chapter, I get to take with me all that shooting has helped me develop: patience, perseverance, mental management, and much more. None of these things would have been possible without the support and opportunities the SCTP has provided my team, the Gateway Gun Club Youth Shooters, throughout the years. It has truly made a difference for me and my future.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

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**Trent
Shatswell****Logan-Rogersville****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Gives me the opportunity to shoot competitively and to hone my shooting skills.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

MO

**Olivia
Stecker**

Wentzville Holt High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The SCTP has given me so many opportunities to meet new people. As well, it has allowed me to compete and have fun!



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

MO

**Trey
Stephens**

Orchard Farm High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

It has helped me learn to become a better shooter and keep my grades up at the same time.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

MO

**Abigail
Stoner**

Webster Groves High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has taught me to become the dedicated focused and hardworking person I am today. Long practices in harsh conditions has taught me dedication. The mentality to keep moving forward without frustration even though I've dropped several birds taught me focus. Finally the academic requirements and practices attendance and the drive to shoot better has taught me the importance of hard work to accomplish anything.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

MO

Josh**MO****Taylor****Lafayette High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me develop as a young person by giving me the skills to work as a team to achieve my goals. It has also helped me stay committed to the sport and taught me not to give up even if I'm having a bad day. It has also helped me learn that everything matters and that you have to try your hardest all the time because even one lapse in focus can cost you a match. Those lessons can be transferred to my everyday life with school and work. That not trying my best all the time at school can be the difference between getting an A or a B.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Benjamin**MO****Young****Seckman High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Ben enjoys all the friendships he has created over the 7 years he has been shooting as a member of the SCTP. He also enjoys going all of the places he gets to go to shoot. And, mentally, shooting helps greatly with Ben's focus and tenacity.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Ty**MS****Hurdle****Rossville Christian Academy****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

This program has helped me over all to learn to focus and concentrate. It has also helped me to learn to have patience and strive for the best. I have learned to set a goal and if I work hard I will achieve that goal, more than likely if you work hard at practice and put in your all you will get back what you put into it during competitions.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

**Anthony
Young**

Christian Brothers High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I have developed as a person through the Scholastic Clay Target Program by learning how to grow in confidence during times of success. I have learned the value of perseverance during the last four years and the importance of hard work which has led me to a position on the team's top varsity squad. I have also found out what it means to be a leader because I have the responsibility of guiding my teammates during practice and in competition to performing to the best of their ability.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

**Dalton
Bridges**

Bessemer City Middle School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has taught me discipline and gun safety. It has taught me skills the average shooter does not possess. I have also enjoyed the friendship with other shooters and coaches.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Rifle

NC

**Katie
Ezell**

Discovery High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The scholastic action shooting program has taught me how to discipline and push myself to be the best that I can be. I have learned how to work well within a group, and how to be a leader.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Rifle

NC

**Mitchell
Lowe**

First Wesleyan Christian

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

"What is important to me about Gaston Young Guns is that we are keeping the tradition of shooting sports alive for future generations as well as getting to see my friends at GYG. Also you have to be obedient to keep people safe on the range. It is also cool to be able to say that I shoot rifle as a sport." - Mitchell



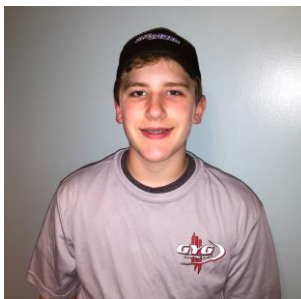
Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Rifle

NC

Gavin**Rainey****East Lincoln Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SASP has improved my focus by training with coach Ezell. Instead of thinking about too many things at one time, I can remain on task and my grades show it. I've made 'A-Honor Roll' my last two reports.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

Michael**Adkins****Rittman High school****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me develop into a well rounded young individual. Some of the things that the program has taught me are discipline, patience and that hard work pays off. My skills as a marksman have developed from below average to now being a multiple time state and national champion.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

OH

Emanuel**Butdorf****Wooster City Schools****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

I feel the SCTP program has helped me develop because not only do you learn how to be a team player but you also learn how to be an individual in a team sport. I also play hockey and that is very much a team sport but with trap shooting for the SCTP you are competing as a squad and an individual. Sometimes you can count on your teammates to pull you out of a bad day but other times they need you to pull them out from a bad day. You are looking to win high gun for yourself but also win with the four others who make up your squad.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

OH

**Jacob
Butdorf**

Wooster City Schools

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The SCTP has helped me develop as a team player. As a child who suffers from a physical/neurological disability I am not able to participate in typical school sports. This program has given me an opportunity to grow as an individual as well as grow as a team player and experience what it feels like to be a part of team.



OH

Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

**Chloe
Clark**

Lorain County Joint Vocational School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SCTP has helped me with leadership. I look forward to not only competing with my team but also hanging out with them. SCTP has been a gateway into an amazing community of fellow shooters.



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Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

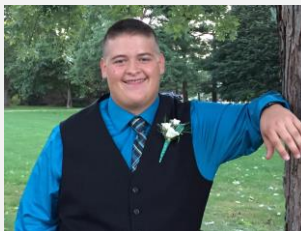
Mason

Cox

Copley High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Trapshooting offers many life skills. Self discipline, teamwork, confidence, commitment, concentration and perseverance. The SCTP has given me the opportunity to use all of these skills in competitions on a local, state and national level as well as gain friendships and having lots of fun along the way!



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Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

**Dustin
Darnell**

Fairfield High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Through this program I have made many friends that will be life long companions. Being on this team has helped me improve my cooperation in a group setting and how I communicate with different types of people.



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Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

**Troy
DuBois****Highland High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped me develop character, sportsmanship, and most of all it has shown me a whole new sport that I never knew existed. Five years ago, when I first decided to begin shooting, I had no idea how the sport worked. Throughout that first year, I was able to learn from my coaches, and I was able to begin shooting at SCTP shoots. These shoots helped me to connect with my team and build friendships. Through SCTP, I learned how trapshooting worked, and I learned how to push through tough events. When you're on the line and you aren't doing as well as you hoped, there's no coach standing beside you and cheering you on, you just have to learn to cope with loss on your own, and to me, that's the most important thing SCTP has taught me.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

OH

Allison**Gentry****Talawanda High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has helped me develop as a young person by finding solutions to problems and fixing them fast, if my firearm is broken I borrow someone else's firearm or if it gets jammed I clear the jam and keep going no matter how long it takes me to clear it. It has helped my social skills as a person and to be more outgoing. Teamwork, if you are done reloading your magazines and you see someone on your team you go and help them load and if they need anything you help them. You let your teammates borrow your firearm, you cheer for them while they shoot and you tell them good job after they come off the line. You have determination and strive, your performance is counted on the clock it is you against time it is not a sport like showing horses where it is the judges opinion you go against yourself and the time. You have confidence in yourself and the will to strive to your greatest and do a sport where you can bond with everyone around you and have fun doing what you love, that is how Scholastic Action Shooting Program has helped develop me as a young person.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

OH

Cole**Gintert****Little Miami High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has provided me an opportunity to enjoy the clay target sports with other youth shooters. I started out as one of the younger members of a team following the leadership of the senior members. I am now one of the senior members on my team leading and guiding the younger shooters. learning to be competitive as an individual while helping my team get better has been very rewarding.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

OH**Summer****Gobrecht****Findlay High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

When the coaches would squad everyone they wanted me to be the squad leader, and the most important position in this sport is being the leader. Making sure everyone is safe, on time and even giving pointers or telling them that they did the best they could do on an off day. When I look around me I see the rookies and younger levels looking up to me and asking for advice. The honor of being selected to be a squad leader is just being there for your friends. Before becoming a trap shooter I was not that good at talking to people, I was given this great opportunity and my confidence grew. Trapshooting has taught me the "three C's" of: Confidence, Consistency, and Calmness. Confidence so I don't doubt myself. Consistency for getting higher averages and for a smoother gun mount. Being calm in all situations and not being over whelmed by a bad day. Life is not about just winning, it's about doing your best to excel in whatever you do. What helped me to have this mindset is that I don't think about winning the trophy, but think about the goals I set every year. The sport of trapshooting has taught me to set my own goals and stretch to achieve them.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

OH

Chase**Jindra****Black River High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has helped me learn goal setting to attain many accomplishments which I am using to attain more shooting success in my future.

**OH****Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Gabriel**Kessler****Open Door Christian School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has helped me develop as a young person by providing me with a unique environment to help me figure out who I am. The environment of each SCTP competition is so different then anything you would see at school, church, or other sporting events that it really helps you discover who you are as a person. After being involved in the SCTP for six years it has really helped me to learn more about myself and apply that to all aspects of my life.

**OH****Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Brianna**Kilbane****Fairfield High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has helped me develop as a young person by making me a role model for all the people on my team. Being a role model has helped me mature into who I am know and help me find who I am as a person. SASP has also helped me develop into a leader by being on the Varsity team. By being on the Varsity team I have picked up responsibilities such as helping the younger kids and giving tips to new comers for competitions and practices. Overall SASP has helped turn me into who I am today and I wouldn't change that for anything.

**OH****Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

**Kyle
Kraemer****Stephen T. Badin High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has contributed to my academic success by helping me to become more organized. When I pack for a shooting tournament, I pack in a routine manner. My equipment is put in the same location for each tournament. I also check to make sure that I have everything I might need for any tournament circumstance. This organizational ability has transferred to my academic life. When I pack my school bag, I put everything in the same place and check to make sure that I have everything that I need. Because this routine has become second nature, I never misplace or lose any assignments. Another way that SCTP has contributed to my academic success is by teaching me perseverance. In shooting, when I do poorly or make a mistake, I know that I need to work harder and practice longer. If I do that, I generally see improvement in my scores. That encourages me to continue to work hard. This system works for me academically, too. If I am struggling with something in school, I know that if I continue to practice and work hard, I will find more success there as well. These are two of the most important ways that the Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped contribute to my academic success.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

**Carson
Ledford**
Waynedale High School**How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has helped me grow up to be a hard working young man. It has taught me that in order to be successful with shooting, it takes lots of practice time at the range. That practice time along with a lot of hard work and effort is what makes shooters better. It didn't come easy at first, but over the course of 6-7 years, I have become much better. This work ethic is the most important thing that I have learned from the SCTP program. I have applied this work ethic to other aspects of my life including other sports and academics and have seen nearly the same results.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Shane**Marshall****Highland Highschool****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me develop team work skills and determination to succeed in everything I do.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Cole**Payne****Madison Junior High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The scholastic action sports program has helped me a lot. I have made great relationships and it not only has helped me improve myself and my performance but also encourages me to help improve my teammates performances by encouraging them. I look forward to spending time at practice and tournaments with all my shooting friends.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

Trevor**Payne****Madison High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It has taught me that shooting is not just a sport for yourself, but that it's also a sport for a team. It has made me think of my team as family and I have made some of the best relationships I have through this program.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

Dakota**Schandel****Indian Valley High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Through shooting in competitions in SCTP I have learned how work under pressure and stress. It also taught me how to make friends when I have none. It also demonstrated to me that I can accomplish anything I put my mind to if I want to.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Annabella**Smith****Edgewood High School / Ohio****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Through the SASP Program, I've gained a new found respect for gun safety. Society today thinks of firearms as "Dangerous", and they may very well be. But, one thing this program taught me is that it is only you who is responsible for the firearm when it is in your hands and you step into that shooting box. Also through this program, I have gained friends for life and also a family. I have learned valuable life skills such as communication, teamwork, and discipline. This program brings youth to the sport of shooting. These are the things I like most about the Scholastic Action Shooting Program.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

Elizabeth**Smith****Edgewood High School / Ohio****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

What I like most about the Scholastic Action Shooting Program are the people and the skills they have taught me. They have taught me skills that I need to know for shooting, and also how to properly work as a team to accomplish my goals in the Shooting Sports. I am very grateful for all the coaches and friends that I have on my team. And, without them I wouldn't be the person I am today.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

Rodd**Spradlin****Wapakoneta High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has given me the opportunity to meet and socialize with other trap shooter my own age. I have developed friendships that will continue on in my life. I have also been able to serve as a role model for the younger youth shooters on my team and help them succeed in the sport. I try to lead by example and show them the sportsmanship that goes along with sport.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Jordan**PA****Anderson****Cambridge Springs High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP Program has developed me into a young man. I have had many opportunities to demonstrate integrity and leadership. These moments have helped me become a better shooter as well always striving to be better and constantly pushing myself.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

John**PA****Cibulish****Hazleton Area High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

As a young person, the SCTP has helped me a lot. It has taught me responsibility and respect. It has also taught me how to use a firearm safely and to treat them with care. One final thing I have learned is that your team is more than just a team, it's your family, and when you stick together you can achieve anything.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

Tristan**PA****Cole****Waynesburg Central High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

As a member of the SCTP I have made many friends from different states and places who like shooting as much as I do. By being in SCTP I have learned to be a member of a team. I know that one person's score can make or break the team. I have learned to concentrate in a crowd and observe other shooters to improve my shooting and help my teammates. In the SCTP I have learned to be a responsible gun owner and I have mastered the care of a gun. Competing at State and National levels has helped me learn to deal with pressure from competition. I hope to become an even better shooter through SCTP experiences.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

Meghan**Darrough****Marian High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Being able to compete with my team and meeting people from all over the country has made the sport more enjoyable and has provided me with the competition needed to strive for my goals.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

Tom**Fuccile****Marian High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

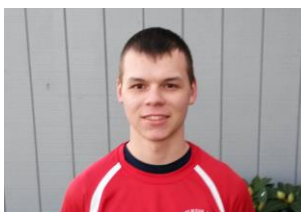
The SCTP has provided me with an opportunity to be part of something that is so much bigger than me. It has taught me the true meaning of teamwork. It has provided me with an opportunity to be a leader and to help the new shooters to find their way. It has taught me respect for others and true sportsmanship.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Andrew**Harabin****Marian High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

As a young person, I learned from the SCTP that after shooting for so many years it becomes a part of you. I also think this program has helped me develop into the person I am today. By being part of this program it teaches you not only things about shooting, but lessons you will use in everyday life.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Justin**Matteo****Hazleton Area High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

In the course of the past 4 years, I have found a great obligation to accept great responsibility. The aspects of the SCTP program have shown proof of a humble and moral character. Furthermore, those morals will turn into assets throughout the course of life.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

Dalton**Payne****Hazleton Area High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has taught me how to be patient, how to be a better athlete, and how to enjoy a sport I am truly passionate about. The SCTP has given me a lot of opportunities to meet many tremendous shooters.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

PA**Brian****Siroka****Hazleton Area High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has taught me multiple lessons as well as discovering things I never thought I'd be able to do. It taught me how to compete under pressure, how to handle a firearm safely, and to discover a sport I am extremely passionate about.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

PA**Paige****Thomas****Penn State****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has taught me a lot of things. It showed me how to properly shoot both trap and skeet. Being involved in my shooting club has also showed me how to help others achieve their goals in shooting. I'm so happy that 7 years ago I decided to shoot because I might not be the person I am today.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

PA**Trevor****Wilkenson****Hazleton Area High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Competing in the SCTP allows me to challenge myself to always try to do my personal best. It has taught me patience and concentration and the best way to insure results is to work hard.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

PA

Michael**Williams****Hazleton Area High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP program has helped me be able to focus a lot more. It's also made me a lot happier overall because I can do what I love and do it as a team.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Cody**Carroll****Colleton Prep Academy****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has taught me that practice and determination gets results.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

SC

Brad**Lehman****Ben Lippen School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP Sporting Clay program has helped me develop confidence as a shooter and helped me develop discipline for my school work.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

SC

Conner**Mills****River Bluff High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Participating with my youth shotgun team has given me many opportunities to be surrounded by other youth and adult leaders who have been positive role models. It has also taught me to work hard toward my goals and to not give up.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

SC

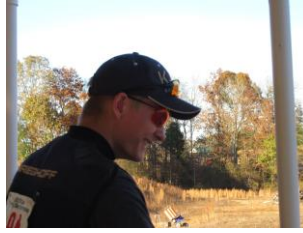
John Michael

Baggett

Kenwood High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I have been in the Scholastic Clay Target Program since the 4th grade. While competing and practicing I have learned to be patient, well disciplined and have a respect for my coaches and other athletes. I have also learned the lengths my parents will go to support me in this sport, through the purchase of a gun, shells, shooting equipment, and the time at the range.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap
American Skeet
Sporting Clays

Drew

Beeler

Mckenzie High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Both the SCTP and the SASP have helped me learn to focus and have more self discipline to achieve personal goals and accomplishments.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol
American Skeet SASP Rifle

**Seth
Cooper****Christian Brothers High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

When I was five years old my Grandfather Grady W. Jones II took me out to the local shooting range her in Memphis MSSA. Since then I have been exposed to all manners of firearms and I can say without a doubt that Scholastic Clay Target Program as helped you develop as a young person and has showed me and taught me an innumerable and invaluable number of things as well as introduce me to some amazing people. For starters, in my opinion to even participate in a shooting sport you must ascertain a certain level of respect for any and all firearms. Ever since I was little my family and shooting sports have instilled a profound understanding as well as the consequence of misusing firearms. This is one of the lessons that can be used in life as well. As one goes through life you must understand and respect everything around you. Because much like misusing firearms can get you and others hurt. In life if you misuse or disrespect the opportunity's and your surroundings in some cases this can lead to the same outcome of misusing a firearm which may be a strange way of looking at it but none the less it has still made and impact and taught me something in my personal opinion to be extremely valuable. I have met many athletes, parents and coaches during the program and the majority of people shoots have been the nicest group of people that I have ever met. In general, most people at the shoots that I have gone to have always been willing to help an mentor you to a reasonable extent. Which is something that is usually extremely hard to come across especially in a sport that most people would consider an individual sport. Yet there is still a strong sense of unity and mentorship in the shooting sports. In conclusion, the Scholastic Clay Target Program and shooting sports as a whole bring people together as well as teach some rather extremely important values such as respect, companionship, responsibility, determination, and dedication. I look forward to the future lesson that it will continue to teach me.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

**Logan
Green**

McKenzie Middle School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SASP has taught me to strive to do my best and continue to grow and make improvements each year.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

Beau

Griggs

Arlington High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The SCTP program has been a very exciting experience and a learning one as well. It has taught me to be persistent in everything I do whether it be in school, work, or trap. I will always try my best to be as good as I possibly can.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Ainsley**Harrington****St Agnes Academy****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

How the SCTP Has Helped Me Develop as a Young Person My name is Ainsley Harrington and I am 14 years old and a freshman at St. Agnes Academy in Memphis, Tn. and this is my third year to participate in the shooting sports. I shoot American Trap 16 yard singles, Handicap, and Doubles for my team, the SAA Shooting Stars. Being a student athlete in the SCTP has greatly influenced my life as I have grown in my ability to handle stressful situations, increased personal responsibility, and I have grown in life experience. One of the major impacts the shooting sports has had on my life is increasing my ability to handle stressful situations. Competitions can be stressful situations. There are a lot of thoughts that go through my head while standing at the line with my gun in my hand. I must clear my head and maintain an intense focus. I take in the field and site picture and the weather conditions while I think about my squad members, I focus on my fundamentals and breathe. I take one target at a time. I try not to think about the previous target or the next target. I try not to think about how many targets I have hit or missed. I try not to think about how many targets my teammates have hit or missed. Often times my coach assigns me to squad leader and I must ensure my squad is performing safely. Safety is a pivotal factor that cannot be underestimated or taken for granted when handling guns. Balancing and organizing all of this is stressful, but I practice mindfulness to help me reduce the stress. I have been able to use the mindfulness techniques I've learned in shooting to stressful situations at school and relationships which helps me stay calm and focused. Next, the shooting sports taught me very quickly how to be responsible. I have learned to be responsible for knowing our team's practice and competition schedule and showing up completely prepared. I have learned how to be a safe and responsible gun owner. When I put on my vest and take my gun out of my case, I know I am completely responsible for the safe handling of my firearm not only for myself, but also for those around me. Lastly, the journey I am taking with shooting sports has, in a very short time, increased my life experiences that I probably wouldn't have otherwise. I have been able to travel throughout my state as well as other states for competitions and camps, Traveling has afforded me the opportunity to make many new friends

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

(other athletes, parents, and coaches) who share the same passion for shooting that I do. My family makes the time during our travels to competitions to learn about the regions and sight-see/tour the areas. I have so many great friendships and memories that I wouldn't have if it wasn't for the sport i have chosen. The shooting sports has greatly influenced my life in ways I never expected. When I first started shooting I never thought that my experiences and growth would happen as much off the field as it has on the field. I have grown in my knowledge, experience, and responsibility in a much shorter time frame than many athletes my age in different sports. I am grateful for the opportunities I have had and look forward to what my future in trap shooting will bring.

Lee

Hobbs

Rossville Christian Academy

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The SCTP program has helped me make many new friends, helped me mature faster than I thought I would, and I have grown to love many types of shooting sports. I have also gotten to go to many places that I would not have ever went to if it had not been for shooting competitions. My family has turned my shooting events into family vacations that all of us really enjoy.



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Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Patrick

Koch

Christian Brothers High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me develop as a young person by teaching me valuable traits I can use for the rest of my life. These include teamwork, honesty, trust, and dedication, all of which are immensely important in a professional environment and beyond. These traits have allowed me to grow into becoming the man I wish to be.



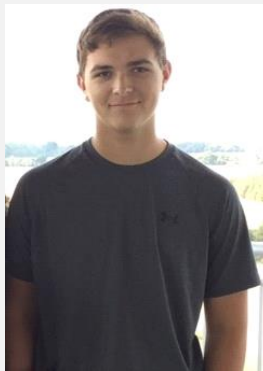
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Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Ben**Koivula****Creekwood High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Its shown me that through hard work and dedication I can see improvement in myself, which helps with other areas in my life such as my grades in school and helping others.

**TN****Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

Jack**Lawrence****West Carroll Junior/Senior High****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Being a member of my local shooting sports team has allowed me to make new friends as well as develop a discipline to help me grow as an individual.

**TN****Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

David**LeCates****Centennial High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Prior to joining the SCTP I played soccer. I enjoyed the game and the teamwork, but I was not passionate about the sport. The SCTP has provided me the opportunity to compete in a sport that I love and it allows for both team and individual achievement. While a certain level of physical fitness is required to compete in the shooting sports, I found the level of mental focus required to be just as important, if not more important, to success. I have carried that mental focus over to my scholastic efforts. The SCTP has made me a better athlete, a better student, and helped me to achieve the appropriate school and life balance.

**TN****Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Sydney Kole

Loveday

Jefferson County High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SCTP has allowed me to grow as an athlete. I began shooting at age ten and decided to do so by watching my older brother shoot competitively; for several years we were able to compete in the same events. This allowed quality family time, which I have fond memories. On several occasions I was able to beat his score.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Will

McBride

McKenzie High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

It has helped my self confidence.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

Matt

Mitchell

Houston Middle School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

I have only been shooting trap for two years, but the SCTP program has provided me with many opportunities to improve my marksmanship, sportsmanship, and leadership skills. It has also allowed me to compete at the local, state, and national level. I have developed a love for shooting, and plan to continue in the sport for many years to come.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Nathan**Nanney****McKenzie Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program and the Scholastic Action Shooting Program have helped me in many ways. The programs have helped me to develop the discipline and focus to become a more competitive shooter while instilling the necessity of gun safety. Most importantly, it has helped me to understand the value of sportsmanship, teamwork, and life-long friendships. I appreciate all the opportunities that I have been given while being a part of this program.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

TN

Fred**Peters****Montgomery Central High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me develop as a young person by helping me gain patience, discipline, and perseverance and allowing me to make friends that I never would have met. Thanks to SCTP I now have trusted friends in different cities, counties, and states other than my own. We all have different interests and backgrounds and probably would not otherwise be such good friends if it were not for SCTP. Through clay target shooting practices and competitions, I have pushed my own boundaries, set and achieved new goals, and have found ways to teach others about this sport.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

TN

Sawyer**Phipps****McKenzie Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SASP has provided me the opportunity to learn responsibility while having a great time with my friends.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

TN

**Jacob
Pinson**

McKenzie High Shool

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

It has helped me to become more outgoing and to also help with self discipline.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap SASP Pistol
SASP Rifle
Sporting Clays

**Archer
Reese**

Meigs County Middle School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The SCTP has given me an opportunity to grow and develop an ability that I have been blessed with. Not only on the field of competition but in my every day life. The opportunities that this program offers helps me to focus on my academic future as well as my competitive one. In my travels I have met many caring people that are always ready to support and give advice to further my journey down the road of competitive shooting. I want to thank everyone that has and will continue to support this journey!



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Skeet

**Anders
Rider**

McKenzie High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The shooting sports have helped me develop a keen sense of leadership and sportsmanship. Even though I am shooting by myself I realize that I am part of a team. My favorite part of participating at a SCTP/SASP match is the social part before and after.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol
SASP Rifle
Sporting Clays

**Nathan
Rorer**

McKenzie High Shool

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

This program has given my life stability, and helped me with self discipline.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol
SASP Rifle

Hunter**Rowland****Eagleville High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has helped me become a better shooter. It has allowed me the opportunity to compete against other great shooters and has challenged me to improve my skills. I enjoy competing in all disciplines.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

TN**Jacob****Sellers****Berean Christian School - (Homeschool)****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has provided opportunities for me to shoot in many different locations and meeting many different people while helping me build independence, character and confidence while developing sharper shooting skills. I also enjoy exercising my right to bear arms while enjoying my freedom to do so at each event. I look forward to shooting in each event and continuously challenge myself to improvement in my scores. I am thankful for the opportunity to shoot in the SCTP program.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

TN**Lauren****Thomas****Houston High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has allowed me to gain confidence, not only through shooting, but through friendships that I have developed within the shooting community. I gained life lessons through coaches and mentors that helped me develop my shooting skills and character. I will forever be grateful for the opportunities the Scholastic Clay Target Program has offered me.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

TN

Gavin**Threet****Stone Memorial High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Since I was old enough to hold a firearm I have loved shooting. I have played both baseball and basketball. There is something about the teamwork in shooting sports. Even though you are competing individually and as a team, the athletes are more willing to help each other out and cheer each other on. If you are having a bad day, there is always someone there to cheer you up. I have made several friends and met new people I would not have had the opportunity to otherwise. I have been able to travel to places I may not have seen. Being involved with the SCTP and SASP has taught me great responsibility. It's not just about a sport, a trophy, a ribbon. It's about safety first. You are responsible for what comes out of your barrel. You must keep your firearms clean. You must be mentally alert and aware at all times. Shooting is a very mental sport and has taught me more about how my thinking affects my actions. Unlike other sports, you are surrounded by all ages. I have looked up to older shooters and now I have shooters who look up to me. You can get too old to play other sports, but shooting is a skill you will always have and can do no matter what.

**TN****Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap SASP Pistol
SASP Rifle

Isac**VanWormer****Montgomery Central High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

It has increased my ability to work with a team and challenge myself to do my best.

**TN****Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

Lydia**Warren****McKenzie Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has given me the opportunity be part of a team. The coaches are excellent and provide knowledge along with feedback that is both encouraging and at the same time building my self-confidence as an athlete. The self-discipline required has carried over into my school and daily life.

**TN****Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

Ely**Weakley****Cheatham County Central High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped develop my shooting skills to be able to compete on a national level. This level of competition has helped develop my character and sportsmanship.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

Sporting Clays

Chloe**Williams****McKenzie High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has helped me to become a more outgoing person and has helped me become a better team leader.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

Will**Wolbrecht****Christian Brothers High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

This program has helped me learn to become a leader. I use this ability in my everyday life, such as achieving the rank of Eagle Scout as well being the squad leader at the 2016 Nationals.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Cooper**Wyatt****Stone Memorial High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Over the course of the past 5 years the SCTP has helped me grow from an immature 12 year old into a 17 year old young man. Shooting under the SCTP has taught me discipline, respect and patience in a unique way. I am very grateful to be part of such a great program.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

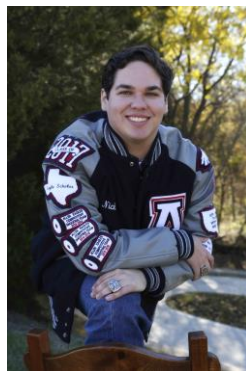
American Trap

**Nick
Hawkins**

Allen High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Being involved with the SCTP has helped me learn how to handle some stressful situations. Through years of competing, I've learned how to cope with the pressure of any situation that's thrown my way.



TX

Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

**Robert
Little**

Mary Carroll High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SASP has helped me be a team player and develop good sportsmanship



TX

Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

**Michael
Machner**

Early College High School - HCISD

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SASP is teaching me patience and how to maintain composure during stressful situations. Mentoring younger shooters and teaching classmates about firearm safety has given me an opportunity to develop leadership skills and new friendships.



TX

Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

**Holdon
Perez**

IDEA San Benito College Prep

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

SASP has helped me develop in the area of leadership. I say this because when I began with SASP, I was simply excited to shoot. But as I grew as a shooter, I began helping new shooters develop their skills by working with them on the things I'd learned to help give them more accuracy and speed. I am excited to be able to be a youth coach in a sense because I am able to share such valuable information and assist in making our team great. For this, I owe a lot to SSSF and SASP.



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Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

Morgan**Scott****Allen High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Many of the things I've learned from SCTP transfer to other areas of my life. Developing traits such as focus, work ethic, team work, loyalty, sportsmanship, citizenship, and an appreciation for the work of volunteers have made me a better person. Shotgun shooting and all that I've learned have shaped me into who I am and will be a part of me for life.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Skeet

TX

Mark**Valverde****Veterans Memorial High School Corpu****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has helped me develop as a young person by helping me to be a team shooter and expanding my leadership skills to others. As we shoot with other teams throughout the year, I have been able to develop friendships with other shooters. Also, I have been able to teach gun safety to some of our new shooters. I would like to be a Game Warden as my job. Being in this program helps me develop accuracy and speed in shooting, which might help when I become a Game Warden.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

TX




Jacob**Wilkinson****Allen High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Through SCTP and my high school shooting team, I've developed more self confidence, and learned more responsibility and focus. Its helped me not only with my shooting ability, but with schoolwork and my relationships with others. I enjoy passing along the lessons I've learned to younger shooters and want to continue that legacy of responsible shooting sports.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

TX

Adam Jardines Woodgrove High School How the SCTP / SASP has helped me: SASP has helped me develop by allowing me to hold leadership positions while also on a tight schedule. This has taught me about time management and organization skills.		VA Qualifying Disciplines: SASP Pistol
Ethan Jardines Harmony Middle School How the SCTP / SASP has helped me: SASP has helped me develop through discipline and perseverance. I have learned to keep working towards a goal no matter how hard it is.		VA Qualifying Disciplines: SASP Pistol
Michael Soltis George Mason How the SCTP / SASP has helped me: SASP has taught me the values of persistence, teamwork, and respect. At first I wasn't particularly excited about attending practices, but since those first few weeks I haven't missed a single practice. Dedication is key to any activity in life and I think this attribute can carry over from SASP to other aspects of life. Team work is also a strong theme in SASP, which is partly the reason why I decided to become Team Captain. I believe my team work skills have increased, I love it when people do better than me and I always want to see my team members' skills increase. Respect for my coaches is also a key area I have improved in as well. Some of the coaches have no family or friends on the team: they show up early for Saturday morning practices solely to help young shooters, and that is something I respect and admire.		VA Qualifying Disciplines: SASP Pistol

Naomi**McKay****Skagit Adventist Academy****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SASP through my coaches has consistently encouraged me to try my best and discipline my habits - then rewarded me with new places, experiences, and friends.

**WA****Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

Jake**Overstreet****Homeschool****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has helped me grow in self-discipline and time management. I have learned to work hard consistently in order to achieve my shooting goals and lead my team.

**WA****Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

Jack**Peterson****Walla Walla High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SCTP has given me a reason to try to excel at something that was previously only a hobby. The accomplishments I have made from hard work can be carried forward in life. The satisfaction of a good score is a feeling that I can strive to achieve in college and at a future career.

**WA****Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

American Skeet

Sporting Clays

Christian**Sailer****O'Dea High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

SASP has helped me develop as a young person by teaching me life lessons. It has taught me the value of working hard to succeed and how to compete at the highest level of competition. Over the past couple of years, it's helped me set goals and strive to achieve them.

**WA****Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

**Samuel
Coates****Waterford Union High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has shown me what it takes to become a good leader. I help the younger shooters on my team with their skills and confidence. I've learned how to fine tune my own skills and become a better shooter. What I mean by that is they have shown me how to shoot a target in whatever situation is presented to me. The SCTP program has taught me how to become a better sportsman and to also follow my dreams. The program has taught me to open my horizon to different disciplines.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

**Caitlin
Cravens****Hudson Middle School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Programs have helped me develop as a young person in many ways. The programs have helped develop my social skills by putting me out in an environment where talking and socializing with people is necessary. The programs have also helped my teamwork skills because when you are in a sport that is based around team, teamwork is required. When being around your teammates you learn how to respect, support, and encourage your everyone on your team no matter what and help them through tough situations. This also helps with being respectful to other teams and everyone on them and to be nice to them, support them, and treat them like they are your own teammates. Finally, the scholastic programs have helped me develop my self control. It has my self control skills because when your shoot and miss, your learn to let it go, not worry about it and focus on the rest of the targets/birds you have to shoot. These skills all have helped me develop as a young child because in everyday in life these are used, so the scholastic programs have helped me develop a lot as young person by helping me develop these skills early.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Rifle

Adam

Hilger

Antigo High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The SCTP has helped me become the young man I am by teaching me dedication, teamwork and communication skills. The program has taught me that hard work can lead to improvement, confidence and better well-being. The program has provided me the reward of working with others to help them improve their shooting skills and their confidence. The program has opened the door to many great friendships and adventures of which I hope to continue through my college career and beyond.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

WI

Dylan

Joel

Kennedy Middle School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The program has helped me make new friends and I enjoy meeting new people. I feel like my confidence has improved since I have worked and been coached by many different people and feel comfortable around them. My goal is to go to college on a shooting scholarship, so it motivates me to do well in school.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Rifle

WI

Edie

Keung

Wilmot Union High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The SASP Program has given me so many opportunities to meet new people, experience new things, and it opened an entire world of shooting sports than I hadn't known about before. I started shooting in 8th grade and now, going into my senior year, I couldn't see myself without being in shooting sports. The program has helped me develop into who I am today and it has given me the chance to learn and gain experience that will last a lifetime.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

WI

Casey**Lucas****Antigo High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation has helped me develop as a young man for helping me learn discipline on and off the line and how to become a young very polite man. Also, they have showed me how to have fun and just shoot.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

WI

Jack**Meixelsperger****Kettle Moraine High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

The SCTP has made me a more focused individual which also benefits my studies in the classroom. I enjoy developing friendships as I have teammates from 6th grade - 12th grade in this program and we all interact together. Also, I can show my leadership capabilities by helping out my younger and older teammates. I have many close friends who are on my team and we are thankful that we have this kind of sport to participate in.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

Sporting Clays

WI

Molly**Olson****Mayville High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

Through shooting and the SCTP, I have had nothing but positive experiences. I am highly motivated to do my best and work hard to achieve my goals, whether in school or shooting. I enjoy meeting new people and setting good examples for younger team members. I continue to stay focused on my goals and do my best in competition, at school and in life.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

American Trap

WI

Jordan

Persinger

Hudson High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

Through the SCTP and SASP, I have had the opportunity to participate in a sport I enjoy and to be a member of a team and develop teamwork skills as well as leadership skills. Competitive shooting has helped me strive to become a better shooter. I have met many new friends from all over that share my interest in shooting. I enjoy traveling to the competitions.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

SASP Rifle

Sporting Clays

Austin

Rechlin

Jefferson High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The program helped me learn the value of dedication and hard work on and off the trap field. It has also taught me how to be able to overcome adversity. I've also been able to meet and talk to many new people around the nation.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Sporting Clays

Dylan

Richman

Arrowhead Union High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has been a vehicle for me to become a successful athlete, and scholar in three different ways. First I have had to quickly come to the realization that putting together a realistic and functionable schedule for myself. I have had to formulate a schedule that would allow me to organize my school work, soccer practice, track practice, and shooting practice. I needed to be sure to prioritize and organize my time to complete all of these things that are important to me. Family has become a part of my success in many ways. I understand and value the time we have together. I now realize that we need to work together and function like a team. When my family and I work together even on the littlest details we enjoy our time and each other even more. Finally shooting with my SASP team has allowed me to step up and lead my team by example. I have had wonderful opportunities in shooting that have allowed me to work with and learn from some of the top shooters in the country. I have been able to bring back the knowledge and experiences I had, back to my team and lead them by example. I know that my successes in this sport and other activities have been a result of many people, I am humbled and honored by that thought.



Qualifying Disciplines:

SASP Pistol

Teagan**Richman****Arrowhead High School****How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:**

To me the Scholastic Action Shooting Program is an amazing experience. It has provided me with many things that I can apply toward my future. First of all SASP has taught me responsibility. Being around firearms you always have to be diligent and aware of what you are doing. I know that I need to be very precise and responsible in what I do in and around the program. SASP has also taught me about commitment. I realize that shooting takes time and dedication. This program has shown me that staying committed and working hard can bring me great things. It is not just about the winning, but it is more about the knowledge that I did everything I could to succeed. Lastly, SASP has provided me with the experience of teamwork and leadership. Coming into this program in the beginning I was focused on myself and my performance. Now I have a different viewpoint, I am open to things and want what is truly best for the team. Working within the team as an individual, I need to support and push everyone around me to be their best. We do better together than if we focus in only on ourselves. All in all, SASP has played a large part in my growth as a person. It has provided me with times to improve myself and prepare me for my future. I know how to take on my responsibilities, and commitments with confidence, and I also know how to be a team player and work well with others.

**Qualifying Disciplines:**

SASP Pistol

SASP Rifle

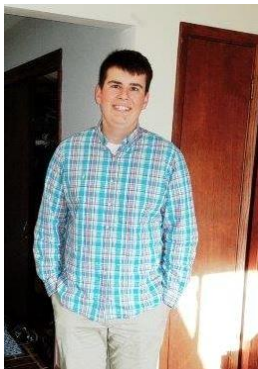
Harlan

Schwanebeck

Marquette University High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me develop many skills as a young person that will correlate to my whole life. It has developed my social skills with the interaction among my classmates, coaches and officials. It has developed a sense of worth, as I am very adept at this sport and it has built up my confidence on being successful. I think it has developed my responsibility to care about others, as this sport deals with firearms which can be dangerous, it makes me think harder about safety for myself and shooters around me. I ultimately think it has helped me develop my personal growth to try to do this sport to the best of my ability and have fun in the process.



Qualifying Disciplines:

Sporting Clays

Jessie

Strasser

Waterford Union High School

How the SCTP / SASP has helped me:

The Scholastic Clay Target Program has helped me develop in many ways. Through the SCTP I've not only grown as a shooter but also as a person. Within the SCTP I have met many individuals with the goal of bettering my shooting and my character. Through the SCTP I have learned respect, dedication, and discipline.



Qualifying Disciplines:

American Trap

Sporting Clays

Would you like to be part of developing more student-athletes as seen on the 2017 All Scholastic Team? Go to www.sssfonline.org for information on starting a team or becoming a coach.

You can also help by making a tax-deductible contribution to the Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation. Go to www.sssfonline.org/donate for simple, convenient and secure ways to give.