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The CYSSA Clay Target Program is a team based YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM for boys and girls, grades 12 and under, and Young Adults ages 18-22, that provides it's participants with a positive, life enhancing experience. It is an opportunity for young people to participate in a supervised, shotgun shooting sports program taught by Certified Coaches that emphasizes gun safety and skill development in clay target shooting. The learning environment at team practices and at competitive events is designed to include the element of fun for all participants. Good sportsmanship, individual responsibility, self-discipline, positive academic progress and personal commitment are emphasized in the CYSSA program.

<b>DIVISIONS &amp; CATEGORIES</b>	
<b>YOUNG ADULT DIVISION (AGES 18-23)</b>	
<b>SENIOR DIVISION (Grades 9th – 12th)</b>	
Junior Varsity	1st year of participation in Senior Division

Varsity	2nd, 3rd or 4th year of participation in Senior Division
<b>INTERMEDIATE DIVISION (Grades 6th – 8th)</b>	
Entry Level	1st year of participation in Intermediate Division
Advanced	2nd or 3rd year of participation in Intermediate Division
<b>ROOKIE DIVISION (Grades 5 and under)</b>	

Independent local teams are the core of the program. Teams may be formed from schools, gun clubs, neighborhoods, communities or be sponsored by other youth organizations such as 4-H, Boy and Girl Scouts, FFA, to name a few. The CYSSA administrative year starts Sept 1 and runs through August 31. While some teams have year long practices, most end their season with the State Championship.

## LOCAL AND STATE COMPETITION

Throughout the year, local clubs sponsor competitive events, “Series Shoots” in four clay target disciplines, trap, skeet, sporting clays and bunker. The format is 100 targets. Individual awards are given to the top three shooters in each Division and Category. The Series Shoots provide an opportunity for coaches, participants and parents to meet and build new friendships.

In mid-June the CYSSA hosts the 200 target State Trap Championships. It is a team, squad, and individual event for ALL registered CYSSA participants. Awards are presented to the top three squads and individuals in each Division and Category plus first and second place in the High Five Award (total of the best five scores from a team). State Championships also complete the season for skeet and sporting clays teams. Event dates, locations and programs are posted on the CALENDAR pages for each discipline.

For more information and rules regarding the program see the CYSSA Handbook [\(click here\)](#).