USA Youth Education in Shooting Sports Lettering Program (template)

Note: The following documentation is only a suggestion to be used as a template and considered by the team's head coach for presentation to school officials to consider for approval.

(School name and ISD# or head coach) (School acronyms), in conjunction with USA Youth Education in Shooting

Sports (USAYESS), has developed an Independent Provider Extra-Curricular Lettering & Participation Recognition Program for clay target sports. The requirements set forth in this policy are meant to be an equivalent to other varsity lettering requirements for (School name an ISD# or head coach) sports.

Objectives of the Program

- 1. To offer high school athletic status to high school clay target sports.
- 2. To extend sanctioned high school clay target sports beyond FFA and 4-H.
- 3. To give clay target sport student athletes the same courtesy and empathy in academic considerations (excused absences and extended deadlines) which traditional high school athletes receive from faculty when events require them to leave school early, be tardy or absent.
- 4. To recognize the accomplishments and time commitment of clay target sports student athletes with a varsity letter award to those who meet the requirements. Official high school athletic recognition is important to college applicants. The time demands of clay target sports often preclude student participation in much of the regular high school varsity sports programs.

Qualification and Requirements for Lettering

To be eligible for the (School name an ISD# or head coach) program, the clay target sports student athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Student Athlete must be a student of (School name and ISD# or head coach), in grades 9-12.

- ☐ Home schooled student athletes in district are also eligible
- 2. Student athletes must be in good stand with (School name an ISD# or head coach), including but not limited to; all school district rules, policies, and requirements concerning student activities, attendance, conduct, scholastic standing and any other eligibility requirements.
- 3. Student athlete must maintain a (xx) g.p.a. or higher
- 4. Student Athlete must submit an (School name an ISD# or head coach) Student Activities Registration Form, along with the appropriate fees as determined by (School name and ISD# or head coach), to the (School name an ISD# or head coach) Lettering Coordinator.
- 5. Student Athlete must abide by (School name an ISD#), and (name of state) State High School League activity requirements.
- 6. Student Athlete must train under the adult supervision of an approved (School name an ISD# or head coach) professional and shotgun certified coach. (Coach must authorize criminal background check and abide by (School name an ISD#) discrimination, harassment and violence policy.) The (School name and ISD#) Lettering Coordinator will collect all necessary documentation from coaches.
- 7. Student Athlete must compete in a minimum of (XX) tournaments on during the clay target season. For the purposes of this program, this will be (season) contract through the following (season) Contract. (XX) hours must be practiced for the season. This averages to (xx) hours per week for (xx) weeks per year. It is the Student Athlete's responsibility to ensure this minimum is met by the end of the (Season) contract.

Student Athlete must attend (not necessarily win) at least the USAYESS State Championship and one other official state supported clay target tournament during the 12 month season (Season is..). These events could be:

- ☐ Competitions local tournament, i.e., USAYESS tournaments, Tri- State tournaments, Regional tournaments or NGB tournaments
- 8. Student Athlete must participate in the (state) USAYESS State Championship in their Junior and or Senior year.

- 9. Student Athlete must have achieved a season minimum average of at least breaking (XXX) targets out of 100.
- 10. Student Athlete must submit all necessary documentation (score sheets, Sportsmanship Contract, etc.) to the (School name an ISD# or team head coach) Lettering Coordinator by (date) of the season. The (School name or team head coach) Lettering Coordinator will verify the number of hours practiced and tournaments competed in.

Qualification and Requirements for (School name) Participation Award

Student Athlete meeting all of the above requirements and qualifications by the end of (date), will receive a Participation Award Patch at the (season) (School name an ISD# or team season end meeting) Banquet.

Presentation of Awards

(School name and ISD# or head coach) Clay Target Sports Participation Award Patches and Numerals of Participation will be award to the qualifying recipients at the annual (season) (School name an ISD# or head coach) Banquet. In addition participating students will be invited to be included in the (school name and ISD# or head coach) Lettering Program photo for the (School name an ISD#) yearbook.

Student Athlete with accomplishments above and beyond the lettering requirements for Clay Target Sports will be recognized by (School name an ISD# or head coach) for those achievements. Additional recognition will be given for the following accomplishments:

- 1. Any senior competing for all (XX) years of high school.
- 2. USAYESS State Medalist
- 3. USAYESS Regional Medalist

- 4. USAYESS National Competitor or Medalist
- 5. Any other NGB Accomplishment

PATCHES



Patch is custom made for Letterman Jackets with chenille colors, and may be ordered from the USAYESS Store.

Approximate size:

4"x3"

Quantity	Price (Each)
1-5	\$9.00
6-11	\$8.00
12-35	\$7.00
36 +	\$6.00

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