

The CDSA Jr. Rifle program is on Monday nights starting from 6:00 pm and runs till about 9:00 pm. This year, the overall program runs from October 2021 till the middle of May 2022. We use the CDSA Indoor Range so weather is rarely an issue. The program is open for youths ages 11 through 18 and the cost for any youth to join is only \$10.00 and that includes a Junior Membership to CDSA. The club supplies .22 caliber single shot rifles for the students to shoot along with the ammunition and targets. Some students have acquired their own rifles as they have become more involved over time but we normally recommend starting out with the club rifles. It is a great program with very minimal cost.

In the program we teach safety, proper shooting positions, shooting technique, and additional skills. The shooters will be following the NRA 4-Position Stage Skill Rifle Qualification and they can earn medals and patches as they progress in their skills. They will learn to shoot effectively from prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing positions.

We have a good mix of experienced and novice shooters right now. The group is currently fairly small thanks to the long time off due to COVID but that means shooters will tend to get more range time.

For your child's first night at the range, give me a heads up if you can and arrive at about 5:45 pm. We can take care of the paperwork and I can help them get acquainted with the range and equipment. Instructors work one-on-one with all new shooters to get them comfortable with the range commands, rifle safety and operation, and the overall routine.

We do ask that a parent stay at the range for each shooter as the volunteers have to focus on the activity on the range and can't monitor the ready-room. We typically have anywhere from two to five volunteers working with the kids and all have solid firearms experience and all have passed background checks as well.

If you have any questions please let me know. Hope to see you and your son at the range,

Regards,

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