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### **Covington Catholic High School's Archery Team Receives 3<sup>rd</sup> Equipment Grant**

Covington Catholic High School's Archery Team, in its third season as a KHSAA varsity sport at CCH, has received a generous grant from the Friends of NRA organization for a third time. This year's grant is \$3,548.33, for a three-year total of just under \$13,000.

Over the past three years the grant money has provided the school with bows, targets, arrows, repair equipment, and paper targets to use in tournaments. The equipment is used by the 24-member archery team as well as the Covington Catholic gym classes (archery has been added to the CCH Physical Education curriculum).

Having its own equipment has enabled the team to practice several times a week, and become more competitive as a team and as individuals. Along with this, it has allowed the team to host two tournaments this season, first in December and the second in March. This has allowed the team to host nearly 600 student athletes from around the area on campus. The archery team has been very competitive this year with several top 10 team finishes, and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the KHSAA 6<sup>th</sup> Regional Tournament on March 17<sup>th</sup> at Ryle High School with a team score of 1,947. In only its third season, the CCH team has qualified for the KHSAA State Tournament as Regional Runner-ups and the NASP Kentucky State Tournament. The KHSAA State Tournament will take place on April 26 in Lexington.

The NRA Foundation (a 501(c)(3) charitable organization supported by fundraising programs run by the Friends of NRA) is the country's leading charitable organization in support of the shooting sports, having awarded thousands of grants in support of educational programs since its inception in 1990. More information is available at [www.friendsofnra.org](http://www.friendsofnra.org).

Covington Catholic High School is a Blue Ribbon of Excellence award winning college preparatory high school within the Diocese of Covington. It is an all-male school of 592 whose mission is to embrace the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in order to educate students spiritually, academically, physically and socially.

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The 2017-18 Covington Catholic Archery Team