

LOS GATOS-SARATOGA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT Independent Study Physical Education Program

Students who participate in organized physical activities that involve **state or national competition or performance** may be exempted from the Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District physical education/sports classes if they enroll in the District-approved Independent Study Physical Education Program (ISPE). This program is authorized under Governing Board Policies 6015 and 6016, and managed by The District ISPE Committee.

Qualifications: To qualify for enrollment in ISPE, the student:

- must not have completed the twenty (20) semester units of physical education required for graduation from the Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District;
- must be in an ISPE program that is not provided by the home high school's physical education/athletic program, must be competing at a state or national level*, and must provide documented evidence of participation in state/national competitions or performances, **OR**
must be performing in an individual sport at an advanced level of skill at the state or national level and must provide documented evidence of participation in state/national competitions or performances;
- must participate in an approved ISPE program for 17 weeks per semester, for a total of 170 hours, under the supervision of the Sponsoring Agency;
- must keep a weekly attendance log that accurately accounts for hours of participation and activities, which is signed at the conclusion of each semester by the Sponsoring Agency, the student and the student's parent/guardian and is submitted to the student's Guidance Office by the date designated in the acceptance letter for ISPE.

General Enrollment Procedures: Students registering for the ISPE program must submit a completed ISPE application to the Guidance Office no later than the last date allowed to add a class for credit during the semester in which the student wishes to participate in ISPE. **Students wishing to start their ISPE sport at the beginning of the semester must submit a completed ISPE application to the Guidance Office no later than two weeks prior to the first day of the semester.** The completed application must include the signatures of the student, parent, and authorized supervision coach or agency as well as documented evidence of participation in state or national competitions or performances.

Monitoring and Evaluation: Students, parents, and the Sponsoring Agency must adhere to the requirements of the ISPE program and sign their sections of the agreement. Evaluation of students will be the responsibility of the Sponsoring Agency and the Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District. **Students will receive a Pass/Fail grade.** Students who are in the program for seventeen (17) weeks, complete a minimum of one-hundred seventy (170) hours of supervised practice, competition, and/or performance, and turn in the activity log sheet by the announced deadline will receive five (5) physical education credits toward the graduation requirement of twenty (20) credits. Not meeting the conditions of the agreement will result in a failing grade and zero (0) credit.

Failure to meet the requirements of the Independent Study Physical Education Agreement will render a student ineligible to continue in the program during subsequent semesters.

*With the exception of the Los Gatos Rowing Club and the Saratoga Red Hawks Lacrosse Team

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Application for Independent Study Physical Education

Full Year Fall Semester Only Spring Semester Only

20 __ - 20 __ School Year

Name _____ Birth Date _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian _____ Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

ISPE Activity _____ Level of Proficiency _____

Agency/Organization Name _____ Supervisor _____

Agency/Organization Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Coach/Instructor _____ Phone _____

Place of Training (Name/Address) _____

Training Days _____ Time _____ Hours per Week _____ Start Date _____ Finish Date _____

The above named student will be supervised for a minimum of 170 hours per semester under qualified Agency personnel. The undersigned sponsoring agency agrees to:

- provide the School/District with the necessary information to assist in the evaluation of the student throughout each semester
- allow School/District personnel to observe the student practice and/or perform
- notify the School/District in writing within one week if the student withdraws from the program

Authorized Agency Representative (Signature & Printed Name) _____ Title _____ Date _____

The undersigned student and parent/guardian agree to all provisions of the above Agency Agreement. In addition, the student and parent/guardian agree to:

- provide the School/District with accurate attendance reports and other information necessary for evaluation
- submit the Activity Log to the school Guidance Office by the announced deadline for credit to be assigned
- notify the School in writing within one week if the student withdraws from the program
- recognize that transportation of the student to and from the ISPE Agency is the responsibility of the student & parent/guardian
- provide all instructional supplies, textbooks, equipment, and/or other materials necessary for ISPE participation
- recognize there will be no costs incurred by the District for the student's participation in ISPE

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Signature of Student _____ Date _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

The District ISPE Committee Action

Approved Not Approved Comments: _____

Authorized Administrator _____ Title _____ Date _____