

South Tahoe High School Ski/Ride Protocol for PE

PURPOSE OF Ski/Ride Protocol

The purpose of this protocol is to accommodate the Sierra Foundation members and STHS Alpine Ski Team racers who are concurrently enrolled in 9th or 10th grade PE classes. Only students on the rosters for the STHS Alpine Ski Team and the Sierra Foundation will be eligible. LTUSD provides transportation to Sierra Ski Resort on B-days at 12:45 pm for these students. By necessity these students will miss their 4th period PE class. The PE staff acknowledge that the students will be participating in strenuous activity and therefore deserve credit for the state required physical activity. This protocol outlines the mechanism for these students to get credit for their activity for academics and attendance.

Independent Study

This practice will follow a hybrid independent study model.

To begin, all students and parents who would like to participate in the STHS Alpine Ski Team or Sierra Foundation Teams have to request the option on their class schedule. Then before the season begins they must meet all of the criteria of being signed up on one of the teams and meet all academic requirements to participate. These students will all be expected to maintain the academic performance standards required for all NIAA athletes. Students and Parents will agree to the contract and protocol to earn credit for the effort they are putting into their program. This will be coordinated by the Alpine Ski Coach for STHS in collaboration with the STHS PE teachers and Sierra Foundation ski coaches. If it is agreed by all parties (student, parent/guardian, counselor, coach) that all criteria are in place, each party will sign this protocol which will be forwarded to the PE teacher, the attendance office, and the counseling office.

The academic grade recorded for Fall Semester 2 and Spring Quarter 1 will be pass or fail.

The PE teacher will communicate with the student prior to the start of missing classes. The teacher will provide bi-weekly forms with which the student will record their activity with the Sierra Foundation or the Alpine Ski Team, and which the coach will verify and sign. The forms will be turned in to the PE teacher before 6 pm the day after the 5th day of PE is missed. The method of turning in the form will be agreed upon by the teacher and the student.

Example:

Mon B-day PE	Tue	Wed B-day PE	Thurs	Fri B-day PE	Mon	Tue B-day PE	Wed	Thurs B-day PE	Fri Turn in Form
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The PE teacher will record either a pass or fail designation for each 5 days missed based on received forms. If a student does not successfully turn in a completed form, a failing mark may be recorded for that time period.

Simultaneously, the attendance office will record attendance based on the received forms. The PE teacher will forward forms received to the attendance office for their records and to update attendance marks. If the

attendance office is not able to update attendance to indicate a completed independent study time period, then the student will be considered truant and could be referred to the Student Attendance Review Board.

INDEPENDENT STUDY FOR SKIING/RIDING ETHICS POLICY

All students are expected to complete their own work. If a student breaks this expectation, the Ethics Policy will be enforced, which will result in no credit for the time period and may result in the student returning to regular PE, and the loss of the opportunity to participate in this protocol in the future.

COMMITMENT

Student: I have read and I am aware of the requirements for being successful in this hybrid independent study for PE. I am aware that I will be required to submit to my PE teacher on a bi-weekly basis an activity log form and that failure to do so can result loss of credit and truancy designation. I understand that once the season for my sport has ended, I will return to attending every PE class.

As a student, I will:

- Regularly record my Independent Study Ski Reporting Form
- Work with my coach to submit my Independent Study Ski Reporting Form
- Communicate with my PE teacher regularly in person or electronically

Parent: I am aware of my child's commitment and my responsibility as my child's learning coach to help my child be successful in this program. I am aware that if my child is not a member in good standing with the Sierra Foundation, or a part of the STHS Alpine Ski team, then my child is no longer eligible for this independent study program. I am aware that my child will be required to submit activity forms on a regular basis to the PE teacher and that failure to do so can result loss of credit and truancy designation.

As a parent, I will:

- Ensure my child has access to resources necessary to be successful
- Check to see that forms are being completed on time
- Communicate with the PE teacher and coach any concerns about progress in this program

GRADING

Forms will be graded by the PE teacher. A permanent grade will be issued each quarter or upon the date set by the PE teacher. The academic grade recorded for quarters 2 and 3 will be pass or fail.

We, the undersigned understand and voluntarily agree to all the terms and conditions in this Hybrid Independent Study agreement. Our signatures below indicate our agreement with all policies and procedures within this document.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Counselor Signature

Date

Teacher Signature

Date

Coach Signature

- Alpine Ski Team
- Sierra Foundation

Date

cc: Counselor, PE teacher, Attendance Office