



DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS

Athletic Independent Study Proposal Form Grades 9-12

Requirements:

- An Athletic Independent Study is normally granted to a student who participates at an advanced level in a sport not currently offered at GFA
 - Examples include: participating in area crew programs, swim teams, organized horseback riding programs, etc
- Activities must be structured and meet at least 3 times a week (not including weekends)
- Athletics must be coached and provided with opportunities to compete
- Independent Studies will **not be granted** for a sport during the season that sport is offered at GFA
- Studies will **not be granted** for taking "lessons" in a sport or activity, e.g. tennis, riding, karate, etc.
- Typically just 1 season of an Independent Study is granted each year

As these are truly "independent studies", no points towards the GFA Varsity Letter, Sweater, or Watch will be awarded.

If you are interested in requesting an Independent Study, please fill out the Proposal Form (available anytime from the athletic office or on the website) and return it to Ms. Butterfield before the deadline. **NOTE: This is a strict deadline. If you miss the deadline, NO Independent Study will be granted.**

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

- Fall - 3rd Monday of September
- Winter - 3rd Monday of November
- Spring - 3rd Monday of February

***All requests will be reviewed by the Athletic Independent Study Committee. You will be notified within one week of approval or denial of your request. If your request is denied, you will need to choose a "team" or "recreational" sport to participate in for that season.*

Freshmen, Sophomores, And Juniors:

- Your Independent Study, if approved, will count as one of your athletic seasons, but can only count as a "team" sport if it is approved as a "team" activity. If you desire your Independent Study to count as a "team" activity, be sure to indicate this on your Proposal Form.
- **NOTE: In order to receive credit for your Independent Study**, you must submit the *Independent Study Follow-Up Form* to your Coach, and then return it to Mrs. Butterfield. You may pick up this form from the athletic office or print it off the website at any time.

Please feel free to contact Ms. Harris at (203) 349-7103 or jharris@gfacademy.org at any time if you have questions or concerns about this process. Attached is the Proposal Form.

Thank you,

Jennifer Harris, Assistant Director of Athletics

**GREENS FARMS ACADEMY
Department of Athletics**

ATHLETIC INDEPENDENT PROPOSAL FORM

Date: _____

Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Proposed Sport/Activity: _____

Season: ___ Fall
 ___ Winter
 ___ Spring

Please Select One: Team or Recreational

Inclusive Dates of Proposal: _____

Practice Times: _____

Name of Coach: _____

Phone: _____

Name/Location of Facility: _____

Goals/Objectives of Participating: _____

Dates/Locations of Any Competitions: _____

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Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Athletic Director Signature: _____

Date: _____

Independent Study Committee Approval: _____

Date: _____