

OFF-CAMPUS PHYSICAL EDUCATION APPLICATION

I am applying for admission to Pearland ISD's off-campus physical education program for **2024-2025**.

Student ID# _____ Semester(s) _____

Student's Name _____ School _____

Grade _____ Counselor _____ (return application to counselor when complete)

Parent/Guardian _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Olympic/Activity Sport _____ Facility Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Coach/Instructor _____ Phone _____

Email Address _____

Has student participated in activity a minimum of three years? _____

Is student training with intent to compete in the Olympics? _____

Application needs to be submitted to the counselor prior to the beginning of the semester.

No applications will be accepted after ten school days into the school semester.

Students may not transfer from athletics or another physical education class into off-campus physical education during the same semester.

Release from class will only occur if scheduling permits.

Please sign below in acknowledgment of program requirements. Completed applications must include a signed **Instructor Agreement** and **Program Description**. Incomplete applications will not be accepted and delay processing / approval process.

Student's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

District Approvers

Counselor's Signature

Date

Principal's Signature

Date

Athletic Director's Signature

Date

Approved for:
(circle one)

Category 1

Category 2

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL OF OFF-CAMPUS PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The following is a list of basic requirements that have been established by Pearland ISD and the Texas Education Agency. These requirements must be met and maintained for the student to be eligible for participation in the program.

- 1) The purpose of the program is to accommodate students who are making a serious effort to develop high-level capabilities, allowing them to be involved in an off-campus program that provides training exceeding that offered by the school district.
- 2) Off-campus physical activity programs will be approved only for those students who have been strongly recommended by qualified instructors.
- 3) Only those students in grades seven (7) thru twelve (12) are eligible for consideration for the off-campus program.
- 4) Students involved in any type of activity that meets the TEA Commissioner's Criteria will be considered for the off-campus program.
- 5) Students applying for Off-Campus Physical Education will be considered under two (2) categories:

CATEGORY 1: These programs typically involve a minimum of fifteen (15) hours per week of highly intense, professionally supervised training. Students qualifying at this level may be dismissed from school one period per day for such participation. Students participating at this level may receive a maximum of one credit per semester. A total of one and one-half credits may be earned toward state high school graduation requirements. Students dismissed may not miss any class other than physical education.

CATEGORY 2: These programs typically involve a minimum of five (5) hours per week in a high quality, well-supervised program by appropriately trained instructors and are for a minimum of three (3) days per week. Students certified to participate at this level MAY NOT be dismissed from any part of the regular school day. Students participating at this level may receive a maximum of one-half credit per semester. A total of one and one-half credits may be earned toward state high school graduation requirements. All participation must always be under the direct supervision of the instructor. Students may not receive a Category II waiver for any class (such as dance) that is offered at the school.

- 6) Students who are participating in the program for physical education credit may not be enrolled in another physical education class of athletics during this time.
- 7) The students may not have more than five (5) unexcused absences per semester at the off-campus facility. Excessive school homework is not an excused absence for the required activity.
- 8) The facility will be required to document and certify all efforts to comply with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) as they apply to the specific activity being taught.
- 9) The records concerning daily attendance, records of completion, contest results, etc. must be fully completed and returned to the athletic department on the appropriate due date.
- 10) The instructor will be required to report a final grade at the conclusion of each semester.
- 11) The private instructor must constantly observe and evaluate the student's attitude, work habits and progress. If at any time the student fails to maintain a high level of performance, the instructor will be expected to contact the district's program director and withdraw the recommendation for student participation and the student will no longer be considered eligible for the program.
- 12) The Pearland ISD program director will conduct an annual review of the adherence to the agreed upon regulation by both the student and the facility. If that review is not satisfactory, the facility's accreditation by the district may be revoked.

OFF-CAMPUS PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR AGREEMENT

As a professional instructor, I am aware of the emphasis on program objectives and that grading is based on participation and attendance. I understand the importance of maintaining program integrity. Therefore, I will support the following standards by:

1. Keeping an accurate record of student attendance and program lesson plans. Lesson Plans are due in the athletic department office every three weeks (see Lesson Plan template included.)
2. Forwarding a grade recommendation based on student participation and attendance as requested to the athletic department on the week prior to the end of semester. Grade will be Pass/Fail.

Due Dates: Fall Semester **December 9, 2024**
 Spring Semester **May 13, 2025**

3. Contacting the campus counselor if a student's attendance becomes irregular.

I, _____, will make every effort to cooperate with the district in their accounting procedures.

Instructor's Signature

Date

Facility Name

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION REQUIREMENTS

1. **On Organization/Facility Letterhead**
2. **Written and signed by the supervising Instructor.**
3. **Includes description of student's workout schedule**
4. **Contains the number of hours practiced per week.**

TEA guidelines state:

In accordance with local district policy, a school district may award up to two credits for physical education for appropriate private or commercially sponsored physical activity programs conducted on or off campus. The district must apply to the commissioner of education for approval of such programs, which may be substituted for state graduation credit in physical education. Approval may be granted under the following conditions.

- (1) Olympic-level participation and/or competition include a minimum of 15 hours per week of highly intense, professional, supervised training. The superintendent to be of exceptional quality must certify the training facility, instructors, and the activities involved in the program. Students in grades **7th through 12th** qualifying and participating at this level may be dismissed from school one hour per day. Students dismissed may not miss any class other than physical education and this should be the last class of the day for the student.
- (2) Private or commercially sponsored physical activities include those certified by the superintendent to be of high quality and well supervised by appropriately trained instructors. Student participation of at least 5 hours per week must be required. Students certified to participate at this level may not be dismissed from any part of the regular school day.