

Alternative Athletic Credit Overview



As part of the Physical Education and Athletic program, UNIS offers an alternative program for high performing T2 students to earn physical education credit by participating in athletic or dance programs outside of school. The object of the Alternative Athletic Credit program is to allow high performing students who are training independently in activities beyond the offerings of the UNIS PE Department to be excused from PE. Students will be accepted into the program each season/unit determined by the M3-T4 Physical Education Team Leader. The guidelines are listed below:

- A T2 student must be enrolled in a program that minimally practices/trains three times a week for at least two hours per session. One, and only one of the sessions may be on the weekend. Travel time and other non-work circumstances do not count toward the six hours per week, as these time commitments are an additional responsibility that comes with participating in AAC or a Varsity/JV Sport.
- In addition to regular practices or rehearsals, the students must be involved in rigorous competitions, tournament play or culminating performances at the end of each season.
- There must be a supervisor/coach with the outside program who will record the student's attendance and provide a prepared document to evaluate the student's performance at the end of each season. Students are required to return to a Physical Education class if their season concludes before the end of the fall, winter or spring season.

- A T2 student may apply for a alternative athletic credit for the school year if they take part in an activity for the duration of the school year and it meets the requirements. They will have to submit a supervisors report at the end of every season, and a training schedule and copy of the competition or performance schedule for the new season.
- Along with the google doc application form and parent authorization google form, the student must submit a letter that includes:
 1. An outline of the program
 2. A training schedule
 3. A copy of the competition or performance schedule
 4. A letter from the program's supervisor/coach verifying that the student is enrolled, as well as their contact information.
- If the activity is offered at UNIS, the student must participate on the UNIS team for that season or enroll in the Physical Education Unit.
- If successful, students will be notified by email and until that time they must continue to attend class.
- If an alternative athletic credit is granted the student will be required to study in a classroom supervised by a teacher during the period they are scheduled for Physical Education class. The student will be made aware of the classroom if their application is successful.
- Once successful it is the students' responsibility to use the alternative athletic credit time wisely. Failure to attend the classroom, behave appropriately or study will result in a return to PE class and the student will be ineligible to receive a credit for the following season.
- Students who have been granted an alternative athletic credit must complete any relevant documentation, including an on-site evaluation and email or give a hard copy to the M3-T4 Physical Education Team Leader on or before the published deadline. Late forms may result in a student not receiving a passing grade or denial for future consideration for an exemption. Incomplete evaluations will result in a denial for the following season.