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Application Submission Instructions

Please read this application package carefully. A submission must be complete and include the following:

- **PART 1 – Student Athlete Information** - Completed by the athlete/parent.
- **PART 2A – Student Athlete Personal Response** - Completed by the athlete.
- **PART 2B – Academic Intake Form** – Completed by the athlete.
- **PART 3 – Confidential School Recommendation** - Completed by the school.
- **PART 4 – Confidential Coach Reference** - Completed by the ski coach.
- **\$200 Application Fee** – see instructions below.
- **Copy of all report cards** issued to date for the **current academic year**.
- **A current Credit Counselling Summary OR a transcript** from your child’s guidance department (for students currently in grade 9 – 11).

APPLICATION TIMELINES:

April 1st, 2025 – All application components submitted to application@nsa.on.ca

- Course selection occurs during the month of March. Registration/enrolment after April 1 may result in preferred course choices not being available and/or considered.
- Early submission of application components may qualify candidates to join our student athletes as guests at special Western Canada on-snow projects in April

After April 1, applications may be reviewed, space permitting. Additional registration fees will apply.

Boarding spaces are limited. We strongly recommend early submission of application components should your family require a boarding space.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

Part 1 & 2 can be emailed to application@nsa.on.ca OR mailed to NSA at the address below.

Part 3 & 4 should be emailed directly from the school/coach to application@nsa.on.ca OR mailed to NSA at the address below.

Report cards, Credit Counselling Summary, and transcript can be emailed to application@nsa.on.ca OR mailed to NSA at the address below.

Application fee of \$200 can be submitted via:

- E-transfer to ctolles@nsa.on.ca; please include ‘Application fee for _____ (athlete)’ in the details.
- Cheque made payable to National Ski Academy.
- Visa or Mastercard accepted by phone (Please note a 2.8% service fee will be added to all credit card charges)

Prior to submitting your application, we encourage all applicants and their parents to read our NSA Family Handbook on our website to ensure that your personal expectations and goals align with that of the Academy.

YOUR APPLICATION IS NOT COMPLETE WITHOUT ALL THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS. APPLICATIONS WILL BE REVIEWED ON A ROLLING BASIS. NSA WILL CONTACT ATHLETES AND PARENTS TO SCHEDULE A PERSONAL INTERVIEW.



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PART 1 – STUDENT ATHLETE INFORMATION

First Name:		Last Name:	
Middle Name:	Gender: <i>circle one</i> Male Female Non-specified		Birth date (DD/MM/YY)
Street Address:			
City:	Province:	Postal Code:	
Home Phone:	Student Cell #:	Student Email Address:	
School Currently Attending:		Current Grade:	
School Address:		School Phone:	
Boarding Required: yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/>		Other schools attended in last 5 years:	
Current Ski Club:		Current NATIONAL or FIS Points SL: GS: SG:	
Current Coach:			
PRIMARY CONTACT (parent/guardian 1)		Email Address:	
First name:	Last name:		
Address: same as applicant <input type="checkbox"/>			
Home phone:	Work phone:	Cell phone:	
OTHER CONTACT (parent/guardian 2)		Email Address:	
First Name:	Last name:		
Address: same as applicant <input type="checkbox"/> not applicable <input type="checkbox"/>			
Home phone:	Work phone:	Cell phone:	



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PART 2A - Student Athlete Personal Response

On a separate piece of paper or document, please respond to the following questions:

1. The NSA can be a challenging environment. It requires a commitment to the **academic** and **athletic** programming as well as to the **broader NSA and ski community**. Please explain why you are ready to make a commitment to these three program areas and how you will contribute to each one.
2. List three words (for each) which you feel describe you as a: Person, Ski Racer, Student
3. What words would your friends use to describe you? Explain.
4. What do you feel are your greatest personal strengths? Explain.
5. Describe the highlights of your ski racing career to date.
6. List the other sports and activities you are passionate about outside of the classroom.
7. How do you spend your free time? What do you enjoy?
8. Describe a recent group social experience that was meaningful and/or enjoyable for you.
9. When you are faced with conflict (e.g., disagreement with a friend, peer pressure, bullying), describe how you respond/ manage/resolve the situation.
10. Who is a person who has had a positive influence on you? What qualities in this person do you admire and why?
11. (a) Describe briefly your personal, athletic and academic goals:
 - a. short term (18 months)
 - b. medium term (2-4 years)
 - c. long term (4-8 years)
12. Have you ever incurred disciplinary action while at school or have been sanctioned at a ski race?
Yes No If yes, please explain.

Your signature below confirms that the responses on this Student Athlete Personal Response are entirely your own work.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____



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PART 2B - Student Academic Intake Form (For students already in secondary school)

Student Name: _____

School: _____

Guidance Counsellor name and contact (email & phone): _____

How many community service hours have you completed? _____

Have you completed the online course requirement? Yes No

Have you completed the tech course requirement (required as of Fall 2024)? Yes No

What are your current year courses?

Semester 1: _____

Semester 2: _____

If you have completed your course selection for next year, please list the courses you have chosen:

Are you planning on taking a course this summer? If yes, please list the course name and where you are taking it. _____



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PART 3 - Confidential School Recommendation

To: The Principal, Guidance Counsellor, or Teacher Advisor

National Ski Academy (NSA) is striving to prepare its students for national and international level ski racing and for postsecondary education at the college or university level.

Our program is very demanding - academically, athletically, and personally. We have found that students who have strong executive functioning, interpersonal skills, are well-organized and self-motivated succeed in this environment.

We would appreciate it if you could complete the following reference. We value your comments as a means of helping us to do the best possible job in our selection process.

Upon completion, please send directly from the school to NSA via mail (confidential sealed envelope), or email (application@nsa.on.ca) a transcript and credit counselling summary. These documents can be obtained from your school's guidance and counselling department.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Tobin Walsh
Head of School

Please return to:

Admissions
National Ski Academy
200 Oak Street
Collingwood, Ontario
L9Y 2Y1

Email: application@nsa.on.ca



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PART 3 - Confidential School Recommendation

To be completed by a Principal, Guidance Counsellor or Teacher Advisor **who knows the applicant well**. The information provided on this form will be kept strictly confidential and will not be shared with the candidate or their family.

Name of Applicant: _____ Current Grade: _____

Date: _____ Signature of Evaluator: _____

Name (Mr., Mrs., Ms., Dr.) _____

Email Address: _____ School Name: _____

In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant? _____

AREAS	1	2	3	4	5	Your Rating
ACADEMIC POTENTIAL	Weak	Marginal Ability	Capable of satisfactory work	Strong student	Excellent student	
EFFORT/DETERMINATION	Weak	Occasionally weak	Average	Above Average	Excellent	
INDEPENDENT WORK AND STUDY HABITS	Weak	Occasionally weak	Average	Above Average	Excellent	
EMPATHY	Weak	Lacks concern	Average	Above Average	Outstanding	
BEHAVIOUR	Weak	Marginal	Average	Good	Outstanding	
HONESTY AND INTEGRITY	Weak	Marginal	Average	Good	Outstanding Character	
MATURITY (relative to age)	Weak	Below expected	Average for age	Well above average for age	Excellent	
EMOTIONAL ADJUSTMENT	Very emotional and/or apathetic	Excitable or unresponsive	Usually well balanced	Well Balanced	Exceptionally well adjusted	
RESPECT ACCORDED BY FACULTY	Weak	Weak or questionable	Good	Generally excellent	Outstanding in every respect	
RESPECT ACCORDED BY PEERS	Weak	Weak or questionable	Good	Generally excellent	Outstanding in every respect	
OVERALL RECOMMENDATION AS A STUDENT	Weak	Fair	Good	Generally excellent	Outstanding	
OVERAL RECOMMENDATION AS A PERSON	Weak	Fair	Good	Generally excellent	Outstanding	



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1. a) Does the student currently have an IEP or School-Based Academic Support Plan?

Yes No Unknown

If yes, please attach a copy of the most recent IEP and provide a summary of the classroom supports and withdrawal supports provided.

b) Has there been any recommendation to the family that the student should undergo psychoeducational testing to identify special learning needs?

Yes No Unknown

2. Please provide your observations and perceptions with respect to the candidate - academically, athletically, and personally. We are interested in learning about his or her integrity, strength of character, social-emotional development, interpersonal and communication skills, leadership potential, motivation, enthusiasm, conflict resolution capacity and commitment to personal and group goals.

3. Has the applicant ever been in any disciplinary difficulty that you are aware of? Please relate the incident(s) and any disciplinary action that resulted.



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4. Are there any observed problematic social behaviours or discipline problems that have not resulted in disciplinary action but are of concern. Yes No If yes, please explain

5. Please describe the school and family partnership, including any comments on parent cooperation and support of the child's experience.

6. I recommend the applicant for admission to National Ski Academy:

Enthusiastically Confidently With reservations Do not recommend

Thank you for your time and effort in evaluating this applicant as this will both assist them and NSA. You are welcome to call if you would like to discuss the applicant personally. The information provided will remain confidential.



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PART 4 - Confidential Coach Reference

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We would appreciate it if you could complete the following reference. We value your comments as a means of helping us to do the best possible job in our selection process.

Please return to:

Admissions
National Ski Academy
200 Oak Street
Collingwood, Ontario
L9Y 2Y1

Email: application@nsa.on.ca

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Jeff Jones
Program Director



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PART 4 - Confidential Coach Reference

To be completed by a coach who has recently worked on hill with the applicant and who knows the applicant well. The information provided on this form will be kept strictly confidential and will not be shared with the applicant or their family.

Name of Applicant: _____ Current Level: _____

Date: _____ Signature of Evaluator: _____

Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Club Name: _____

In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant? _____

1. Please check the boxes and make comments on any characteristics you feel needs further explanation.

CHARACTERISTIC	Weak	Fair	Good	Excellent	Outstanding
Capacity for Learning					
Athletic Potential					
Attitude toward feedback					
Work ethic/commitment to program					
Responsibility for actions					
Respect for adults and peers					
Leadership potential					
Personal Integrity/honesty					
Concern for others					
Coachability					
Physical Stamina					
Sense of Humour					
Self-confidence					
Takes athletic training seriously					



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2. What words first come to mind describing the applicant? _____

3. What is the applicant's greatest strength? _____

4. What is the athlete's greatest need? _____

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6. Has the applicant ever been in any disciplinary difficulty that you are aware of? Yes No
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7. Are there any observed problematic social behaviours or discipline problems that have not resulted in disciplinary action but are of concern. Yes No If yes, please explain.

8. All students enrolled at NSA participate in a rigorous athletic program that specifically includes skiing and significant dry land training. In your opinion, is the applicant fully capable of participating in this program? Are there any physical limitations that would prevent the athlete from fully participating in the athletic components of our program? In what areas would the applicant excel and in what areas would the applicant need additional support? Please make any comments you wish to add.

9. Please describe the ski club and family partnership, including any comments on parent cooperation and support of the child's experience.

10. I recommend the applicant for admission to National Ski Academy

Enthusiastically Confidently With Reservations Do Not Recommend

Thank you for your time and effort in evaluating this applicant as this will both assist them and NSA. You are welcome to call if you would like to discuss the applicant personally. The information provided will remain confidential.