
EXTERNAL SPORT CREDITS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS INFORMATION SHEET

The External Sport Credentials Program (ESCP) gives students the opportunity to earn graduation credits for approved levels of competition as an athlete, coach and/or official.

Students can obtain External Sport Credits in these categories:

- Athlete (10, 11, 12)

The Ministry of Education is responsible for the External Credentials program and the Sport Credits Portion of this program is administered and monitored by the BC Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture – Sport Branch.

To see which sports are involved in the program, eligibility standards and for more information see the links on the [External Sport Credentials page at the Ministry of Education's website](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/graduation/courseinfo/)
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DETAILS

- Students do not have to be in a specific grade to receive that grade's credit. For example, a grade 10 student who is competing on a provincial team will receive credit for Athlete 12.
- Students who have participated in approved programs before they reach grade 10 can receive credit for their past participation by obtaining written documentation to verify their participation.
- Once a student has received credit for a particular level within the athlete, official or coach categories, he or she cannot receive additional credits for duplicate participation.

HOW TO EARN CREDITS

- Check to see if your course/program is approved to receive credit in the External Sport Credentials Program.
- Obtain written documentation from your provincial or national sport organization of your participation in the eligible sport program.
- Provide the documentation to your school counselor.

Approved Sport-Specific Athlete Programs

The following athlete programs have been approved for credit:

Qualifying Sport Organization	Regional or Zone Select Teams (Provincial Championships)	Provincial Teams (Inter-Provincial Regional Championships)	Provincial Teams or National Teams (National Championships)
	Athlete 10 UXSA 10 4 credits	Athlete 11 UXSA 11 4 credits	Athlete 12 UXSA 12 4 credits
Snowboard (BC Snowboard Association)	BC Winter Games Team BC Snowboard Provincial Team - Year 1	BC Snowboard Provincial Team - Year 2	BC Snowboard Provincial Team - Year 3 Canadian Para Snowboard Team