



GRADE 9 “TRY DAY” Experience 2010-2011 **“Fitness and fun”**

Thanks, once again to the Ministry of Health Promotion funding, OFSAA will continue to offer schools in the province new opportunities in school sport through our **GRADE 9 TRY DAY PROGRAM**. **Schools that have never received Try Day grants will be given first priority.**

WHAT IS “TRY DAY”

- 84 schools can receive **funds up to \$800** to introduce **Grade 9** students to a **new or non-traditional sport or physical activity**.
- The intent of this project is to provide exposure to new or unconventional sports not currently offered in the school program, **to motivate grade 9 students** to get involved in high school sport and physical activities, and **to encourage lifelong participation** in these areas.
- Funds will be allocated on a **first-come, first-served basis**, provided that the request fits the parameters of the program. New schools to the Try Day grant program will be given first consideration in the initial weeks of applications. We again encourage rural schools and schools with student populations under 500 to apply.
- In order to receive funding, schools must fill out the attached **Registration form** and submit it to OFSAA. Schools accepted for funding will be notified by the OFSAA staff and a reporting package and posters will be sent to the schools once the school program has been approved.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- To be eligible for Grade 9 Try Day funding, **a minimum of 60 Grade 9 students, OR a minimum of 80% of the Grade 9 population in schools with 75 or less Grade 9 students, must participate**. (As long as the Grade 9 minimum is met, additional grades may have access to the program.)
- The opportunity must introduce students to a **new sport or physical activity** that currently does not exist in the school environment.
- All Grade 9 ‘Try Day’ programs must be **completed by March 31, 2011**.
- Schools must submit the final report, receipts, photos, and any media articles of their Try Day event, prior to reimbursement.

APPLY FOR FUNDING TO . . .

- Purchase equipment to develop a new sport/club for the students
- Hold a clinic for **Grade 9** students to learn the basic skills and then implement that activity in your school program throughout the school year
- Introduce a sport that encourages participation of students that do not typically take part
- Enhance or rejuvenate your intramural program with new sports/activities
- Access a new activity at an athletic facility in your community
- Conduct a ‘Grade 9 day’ to include several non-traditional sports to create interest

Direct questions to Diana Ranken: (416-426-7437 or diana@ofsa.on.ca)





2010-2011 GRADE 9 TRY DAY OPPORTUNITY
- Registration Form -

School Information PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

School: Address:
City: Prov: On Postal Code:
Fax: School phone:
Teacher Contact:

School Email (PRINT CLEARLY)

Try Day Program Information: Note: program must be completed no later than March 31, 2011

Sport/Activity to be offered

Anticipated Time of Program (check one) Sept.-Dec. Jan.-March

Outside resources provided by:

Estimated Total Cost of Program \$

Participant Information: **Must be a minimum of 60 Grade 9 students (or 80% of the Grade 9 student population, if there are less than 75 Grade 9 students in the school)

Total School Population Total Grade 9 Student Population

Estimated total # of Grade 9 students participating in program

Estimated # of teacher-coaches conducting program

Estimated # of additional volunteers assisting with program

Briefly describe the "Try Day" Opportunity (Attach an additional page if necessary):

Three horizontal lines for describing the Try Day opportunity.

How will this opportunity contribute to long-term enhanced participation of your students? (Attach an additional page if necessary):

Two horizontal lines for describing the contribution to long-term participation.

Principal's Name Principal's Signature

Please Fax (416-426-7317) or email (diana@ofsa.on.ca) form to Attn: Diana Ranken