

Alaska Association of Student Governments Resolution # 2

Physical Education Classes at Tri-Valley School Submitted by: Tri-Valley School Student Council Submitted:

Be it Resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments that:

- 1. Whereas, since the 2019-2020 school year, Tri-Valley School has not had a physical education (PE) course offered to high school students;
- 2. Whereas, Tri-Valley requires a PE credit in order to graduate;
- 3. Whereas, there are two alternative options to waive the PE requirement;
- **4. Whereas,** the first way to obtain a PE credit is through an online course that must be approved by the school or paid for by yourself if not approved;
- **5.** Whereas, the second way to obtain that PE credit is through 4 sports seasons throughout a student's 4 years of high school;
- **6.** Whereas, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the Department of Health and Human Services, children and adolescents ages 6-17 years should do 60 minutes (1 hour) of moderate to vigorous physical activity daily;¹
- 7. Whereas, according to a study by the Journal of the American Osteopathic Association, people who workout in a group have a 26 percent lower stress rate compared to people who work out alone;²
- **8.** Whereas, on a typical tournament week, a student athlete at Tri-Valley School will spend approximately 50 hours or more on a sports-related activity. (More than the average American work week);
- **9.** Whereas, throughout the duration of the average Tri-Valley sports trip, students are responsible for any food costs outside of the meal ticket provided by a host school;
- **10.** Whereas, meal tickets provided by host schools also must be paid for by the students:
- 11. Whereas, approximately 10% of Tri-Valley high school students have not participated in a school sport throughout the 2021-2022 school year;
- **12.** Whereas, to play a high school sport, you must pay a sports fee to Tri-Valley of \$100 per sport;
- **13.** Whereas, it is also required that any student athlete wishing to participate in a sport needs a current sports physical paper within the last 18 months;

14. Whereas, a sports physical provided by the Healy Clinic costs a fee of \$50.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Alaska Association of Student Governments supports reinstating a P.E. class for high school students at Tri-Valley School.

Action Statement: if passed by the General Assembly of AASG, this resolution will be presented to the Denali Borough School District School Board for further course of action.

Work cited:

- 1. https://www.cdc.gov/healthyschools/physicalactivity/guidelines.htm
- 2. https://www.upi.com/Health_News/2017/10/30/Group-exercise-more-effective-than-individual-workouts-study-says/7031509372101/#:~:text=The%20study%2C%20published%20in%20the,people%20who%20work%20out%20solo.

Passed by the 2022 Spring Conference GA hosted by Kodiak High School

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