



**HWDSB SPECIALIZED LEARNING PROGRAM
R.A. RIDDELL SPORT ACADEMY
HIGH POTENTIAL AND BASKETBALL ACADEMY**

The R.A. Riddell Sport Academy is a Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Specialized Learning Program. This innovative learning program was created in 2006 to engage HWDSB student athletes by meeting their unique academic and athletic needs. Student athletes from all over the district are welcome to apply to the R.A. Riddell Sport Academy. The program set forth by the HWDSB supports the visions of all students achieving their full potential, and of all students graduating.

The goal of our Sport Academy is to provide on-site, high level athletic training, alongside meeting the requirements of the Ontario Curriculum. Through our specialized staff members, our enhanced resources and equipment, and the involvement with experts within the community, our program provides additional opportunities for the training and development of student athletes. Flexible programming is also offered to support students who may be involved in individual training and/or competition schedules that may overlap the traditional school day times.

Format

The Sport Academy Program at R.A. Riddell features two specialized programs within our Middle School.

1. High Potential Program – 2 Classrooms - Grade 7 and Grade 8
2. Basketball Program – 3 Classrooms - Grade 6, Grade 7 and Grade 8

Candidate Profiles

Listed below are the profiles of candidates who would be considered for the program.

- Students who are passionate about athletics – AND/OR
- Students who have demonstrated a high level of athletic ability in school physical education classes, on school teams, OR on teams within the community.
- Students from underserved or marginalized groups in our community.
- Students who are presently in an environment that provides limited opportunities for them to reach their full athletic potential.
- Students with high athletic skills, who will improve the probability of graduating from high school, through their involvement in one of the Sport Academy classes.

Application Timelines – Tentative

Parent Information Night (Virtual)	February 8, 2022	6:30 PM
Application Due	February 28, 2022	
Packages Reviewed	March 7 to 10, 2022	
Email Notification of Results	March 11, 2022	
Sport Academy Welcome Evening (Virtual)	May 17, 2022	6:30 PM

Application Checklist

Please review this Application Checklist and submit the completed application package online, download and email to ahenry@hwdsb.on.ca fax to the school at 905-387-9188, or deliver in person to **R.A. Riddell School, 200 Cranbrook Drive, Hamilton, ON, L9C 4S9.**

**If you require a paper copy of the Application Package, or wish to deliver package in person, please call the school at 905-387-3350 during office hours to arrange a pick up/delivery time.*

Application Package includes the below items within this document and is available to complete online by clicking the link here: [Sport Academy Application Form 2022-2023](#)

- R.A. Riddell Sport Academy Student Application – page 3
- Student Response – page 4
- Parent Response – page 5
- Educator/Coaches Response and Assessment – page 6. It is also available online by clicking the link here: [Coaches/Educator Response Online](#)

Student Registration and Information Form is available to complete online or to print and complete. It is located on the R.A. Riddell website and by clicking here: [Student Registration and Info Form](#)

Please include a scanned/copy of the following documentation specific to your student and together with their Application package via email, fax or in person:

- Proof of Age of Student** (Birth Certificate or Passport)
- Recent **Progress Report** and **June 2021 Report Card**
- Most recent **IEP Individual Education Plan** (if applicable)
- Most recent **BSP Behaviour Support Plan** (if applicable)
- Most recent **SIP Safe Intervention Plan** (if applicable)
- Enhancement Fee** TBD - between \$45 and \$80 based on Covid protocols cheque post-dated - please contact the school for subsidies.



R.A. RIDDELL SPORT ACADEMY STUDENT APPLICATION

- High Potential Program Focus Sport: _____
 Basketball Program

Student Information

Surname: _____ First Name: _____

Birth Date: _____ Current School: _____ Grade: _____
MM/DD/YYYY

Address: _____
Street # Street City Postal Code

Parent/Guardian Information

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Cell: _____ Home: _____ Work: _____

Email: _____ Check this box if this is the Primary Email

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**All confirmations and correspondences will take place via email.*

R.A. RIDDELL SPORT ACADEMY PARENT RESPONSE

Why do you want your child to enroll in the R.A. Riddell Sport Academy? How would they benefit from the Sport Academy program as a student athlete?

Your response may be completed on this page, OR you may choose to create a video as your response, OR you may choose to record a voice only response, OR if you have another preferred way to respond, please let us know.

R.A. RIDDELL SPORT ACADEMY – COACH/EDUCATOR ASSESSMENT AND RESPONSE

Name - Educator or Coach: _____

Telephone number: _____

Student Applicant's Name: _____

School/Club/Team: _____

How long have you coached/taught this student? _____

What qualities does this applicant possess that will make them successful in the Sport Academy program?

Please circle the score that applies in each category:

Cardiovascular Endurance: 1 2 3 4 5

Agility: 1 2 3 4 5

Muscular Endurance: 1 2 3 4 5

Speed: 1 2 3 4 5

Muscular Strength: 1 2 3 4 5

Core Strength: 1 2 3 4 5

Coach/Educator Signature: _____

Coach's responses must be submitted directly to the school. Please choose a delivery method below:

- Electronic form (complete and submit online): [Coaches/Educator Response Online](#)
- Scan and email: ahenry@hwdsb.on.ca
- Fax: 905-387-9918
- *If you need to provide this form in person to **R.A. Riddell School, 200 Cranbrook Drive, Hamilton, ON, L9C 4S9**, please call the school at 905-387-3350 during office hours (8:30am – 3:30pm) to arrange a delivery time.*