



## *Home of Academic and Ski Racing Excellence*

Welcome to the National Ski Academy! Thank-you for your interest in enrolling your child in one of our unique programs. The NSA is an excellent choice to meet the needs of high performance ski racers, while continuing to work towards an Ontario Secondary School Diploma in a supportive, yet challenging academic environment. I believe that as you learn more about our programming and our defining features, you will view the NSA as the right fit to meet the needs of your child.

This package contains details about the NSA's athletic and academic program, as well as information about our Mission and Vision. Inclusions with respect to our pre-competition season camps and training, as well as our competition season are outlined, as is our injury prevention and conditioning program.

The National Ski Academy is a not-for-profit organization with charitable status. In addition, we have a newly created National Ski Academy Foundation which is held in segregation from the operating accounts. Its purpose is to raise funds for NSA initiatives, such as financial aid for deserving student athletes, infrastructure improvements and other projects which will enhance our student athletes' experiences.

One remarkable aspect of the National Ski Academy is the incredible dedication and commitment of each NSA staff member. From the care that is demonstrated in preparing meals, maintaining the house and grounds, ensuring that the administrative tasks are completed with attention to detail and efficiency, each member of the NSA team has a student-centred approach. Evening and weekend supervision are considered opportunities to make connections with our student athletes, and academic courses are differentiated for each learner. In particular, I would like to highlight the countless hours that our coaching and dryland staff spend with our student athletes prior to, and during, the race season. Their expertise in areas such as tuning, equipment selection, mental preparation, training feedback, video sessions, modified conditioning programming, and countless other details that help our student athletes to work towards their athletic goals play a significant role in our collective success.

For more information about specific academic and athletic policies, I encourage you to use the link on our website to read through our Family Handbook. It contains our educational guidelines that help to ensure all members of our community can thrive in a safe, inclusive and respectful environment.

It is truly my pleasure to be a part of the NSA community, and I am looking forward to many years of growth, skill development and goal-setting in both academic and athletic endeavours. If you have any questions at all, or are looking for additional information, please do not hesitate to reach out and connect with myself, or one of the members of our team. I look forward to welcoming your family to the National Ski Academy community!

Kind regards,

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Head of School