

# RITE NOW @ ROP



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Sierra Ridge Academy is following the Rite of Passage tradition of expanding its students' horizons through unique opportunities for personal growth, learning and professional development. Thirty-five years ago, this might have entailed a transcontinental cycling trip or learning to ski for the first time. Over the years, however, our programming has evolved from its roots in experiential learning to research and evidence-based practices. Some things-- like learning how to pursue a post-secondary education-- are timeless, and exactly what Sierra Ridge Academy does for its student-athletes.

Sierra Ridge student-athletes Dosia and Adrian recently joined their Case Manager on a tour of San Joaquin Delta College in Stockton, California. The two had been a part of SRA's wrestling team and, along with improving their grades and personal strengths, voiced a desire to continue their wrestling careers as undergraduates in General Studies at a nearby college. Both student-athletes will be first-generation college students.

Dosia and Adrian enjoyed the tour and are looking forward to visiting another campus, Sierra College, next month. The highlight of their first tour of a college campus, however, wasn't in a classroom or the gym where wrestling practices are held. Instead, students currently enrolled at the college approached, and asked the SRA student-athletes about their RAM Letterman's jackets. This, according to their Case Manager, made them very proud.

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