

Schools Sports Policy

Introduction: Sport has a major role to play in school and society. Participation in school sport makes a major contribution to the students' education and to their physical, social and emotional development. Educators/Coaches must make use of the opportunities that sport and sporting activities provide in order to help the students to grow and develop as persons.

Aim: Our aim is to create opportunities for students to participate in a wide variety of sports.

Principles:

Our school sporting environment provides for:

- enjoyment of playing;
- proficient teaching and development of skills;
- a balanced attitude towards competition where winning and losing must be handled in a spirit of true sportsmanship.
- Harmonious interaction between teacher/coach and student and between fellow students.
- Exposure of students to a variety of sports so that a “carry over” to later life may be possible.

Spirit

On and off the field there should always be a good spirit. Team spirit encourages children to participate not only for themselves but also for the team.

Discipline

- Students are expected to **accept the decisions** of match officials.
- Students are expected to **obey the rules** and take responsibility for their own behaviour.
- Students should **not use foul language** or behave in an unsporting manner.
- Students are expected to **respect all** coaches, mentors, officials and opponents.
- The captain of the team will always **model good behaviour**.

- The **correct attire must be worn** for participation in all sporting activities. For example, the school tracksuit must be worn to all matches.

General

- Coaches/educators are, at all times responsible for the students in their care.
- Coaches/educators and their players are responsible for seeing that the playing areas and environs are litter free before and after matches.
- Coaches/educators and captains should thank those who facilitated the event and provided refreshments at “away” matches.
- All sporting accidents must be recorded on Accident Report Sheets
- For away games, it is school policy that all players use transport organised by the school.
- All discipline problems on the sports field will be dealt with by the coaches/educators. Serious misdemeanours must be reported to the Principal.
- It is the responsibility of coaches that all school equipment should be cared for properly and returned to its appropriate location after use.
- Chewing gum etc. is strictly prohibited when participating in any physical activity.
- It is forbidden to wear any jewellery when participating in any physical activity

Players- Code of Behaviour

- Play by the rules
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the competition.
- Work equally for yourself and/or your team. Your team’s performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.

- Treat all participants in your sports as you would like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Cooperate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please your parents and coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their ability, cultural background or religion.
- For away games, it is school policy that all players use transport organised by the school.
- The correct attire must be worn for participation in all sporting activities. Senior- School tracksuit, school jacket etc, Juniors- School tracksuit, school jacket and school sport's t-shirt
- Chewing gum is strictly prohibited when participating in any physical activity.
- It is forbidden to wear any jewellery when participating in any physical activity.

Student Signature

Parent Signature