



AFTER SCHOOL SPORT SELECTION POLICY

POLICY DOCUMENT

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Criteria in order of importance (in most cases) when selecting teams:

- Nomination form submitted by due date
 - Only those students whose forms are received on time are guaranteed a place in a team.
 - Nominations received after this time are placed on a waiting list if teams are full based on the maximum numbers as per 'Team Numbers' dot point below.
 - If teams are not full nominations are taken after the due date. Late nominations are dated and placed in order.
- Current team
 - Those currently playing and continuing on into the next season get priority.
 - If a player has had a season off and is coming back to play e.g. played last summer but not in the winter, they do not automatically go back into the same team as it would have been topped up in the winter – this is a factor that is looked at next though if the team is not full.
 - If there is more than one student 'coming back' after a season or more break, a count back is done and students are placed in a team based on who played most recently.
- Team numbers
 - max 10 for netball
 - max 9 for basketball
 - max 11 for cricket
 - max 13 for soccer
 - Cricket and Soccer are a little different as younger teams have smaller number requirements so 1 or 2 more than the number required to take the field is advisable (eg. Kanga Cricket require min 6 players, 8's soccer require min 7 players so 2 more than the minimum are placed onto a team).
 - All efforts will be made to place students whose nomination is received within the nomination period into a team, however in some circumstances the number of nominations received may not break down into manageable team numbers within age groupings/division etc. If this occurs all efforts will be made to recruit more players to make up a team with appropriate numbers however if this does not eventuate some students may not be able to be placed in a team.
 - Coaches and managers can approach After School Sport Coordinator or PE staff for additional team numbers in the case of injuries, illness or family holidays.
- Year levels/born years
 - The associations TGS register to play in, designate the ages based on year born or the school year level that is required in each grade.
 - If more than one team is placed in a grade TGS look at school level to decide what is the senior team and what is the junior team.



- Offers to coach
 - If there are two parents from the one team offering to coach and no parents from another team offering to coach the teams could be split in order for there to be a coach for each team.
- Friendship
 - Not always able to be taken into account.
 - Requests cannot always be fulfilled.
- Experience
 - Placing a brand new inexperienced players with students who have played for multiple seasons is not desirable but sometimes the only option.
 - Placing similarly skilled players together is desirable, if possible, where the sporting associations put teams into divisions.
 - Trials to rank all students who nominate for a sport will not be conducted at TGS.
- Parent Requests
 - Sometimes requests are made for certain students to be placed in teams together to assist parents with arrangements for travel to and from games and training.
 - Some parents ask for their own children who are close in age to be placed in a team together.
 - Parent requests are not widely encouraged.
 - Not all parent requests can be met.

When selecting teams for first time nominations

- Students will be grouped with class mates and class groups will be then put together to make teams. Sometimes not always possible with composite classes.

Who does the selecting?

- After School Sport Coordinator in conjunction with PE teacher and parent volunteer coordinator.
- The After School Sport Coordinator may seek information from Volunteer Parent Coordinator and/or coaches where necessary.

What should not be considered in the selection process?

- Coach requests
 - In the past some coaches have only offered to coach teams they choose.
- Parent requests
 - Parents requesting certain coaches.
 - Parents request for their child to be placed with certain students.
 - Parents requesting for their child not to be placed with certain students. (This can be valid if there is an ongoing issue that is being dealt with during school time by the Wellbeing Senior Leader).

Gender

- TGS follows guidelines set by sporting associations in regards to mixed or single gender teams.