Hamilton South Public School
Sport Selection Policy
2016

Sport events:

- help students to develop skills in physical activity and team work, build self-confidence and ability in the Physical Education domain.
- build school spirit and pride via students, staff and the wider school community working together to achieve one goal.
- are an important part of the Hamilton South Public School (HSPS) Sport and Physical Education program.

Sport events consist of:

- Regular class based physical activities.
- Friday Sport (ES1, ST1, ST2 & ST3).
- School Carnivals (Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics).
- School PDHPE Programs (include Sports in Schools and Dance in Schools).
- Sporting Fundraising Activities.
- Zone PSSA School Representative Teams (Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics).
- PSSA Knockout Competition School Representative Teams (Soccer, Cricket, Touch Football, Netball, Rugby League and Rugby Union).
- Zone PSSA School Representative Trials (Soccer, Cricket, Touch Football, Netball, Rugby League, Rugby Union, Tennis, Basketball, AFL, Softball, Golf, Hockey and Diving).
- PSSA Regional, State and National Representative Teams.

Some sports events require a process of student selection. This may be due to the limits on the number of student places available in a specific event and/or for appropriate event allocation. Hamilton South Public School follows a series of guidelines to ensure the selection process is fair and transparent.

Guidelines:

- All students participating in sports events must meet and display the participation requirements, which include: commitment, positive attitude and required ability.
- Students will be well informed of the selection process for all events prior to trying out for specific events.
- Students successfully chosen for teams must meet the criteria outlined to all students prior to the team selection.
A student may be relieved of a role/part if that student displays unacceptable behaviour during school hours (School Discipline Policy & School Sports Code of Behaviour).

Parents and members of the wider community will be encouraged to be actively involved in the logistics of sporting events.

**Hamilton South Public School Zone and Regional PSSA Representative Teams:**

- Students are selected for these teams on the basis of their performance at School Sports Carnivals.
- Teams are formed in conjunction with Zone PSSA Requirements (age, maximum number of participants and times etc.).

**Hamilton South Public School PSSA Knockout Competition Representative Teams:**

- Students are selected for these teams on the basis of their ability level. Team coaches take the following criteria into consideration:
  
  i. Student is currently a member of a weekend representative team for their chosen sport (Emerging Jets, Knights or other sporting representative teams etc.).
  
  ii. Student currently plays for a Division 1 team or equivalent on the weekend for their chosen sport. Students who play for teams in lower grades for their chosen sport will then be taken into consideration.
  
  iii. In conjunction with steps i. and ii., students in Year 6 will be given priority over Year 5 and then Year 4 students.
  
  iv. It is the team coach’s discretion to select a student in a team based on their performance during school team trials, observations made during school sport and previous performances in school teams.
  
  v. Team members may be used sparingly, and in some cases NOT AT ALL, during PSSA Knockout Competition games. Player involvement in each game will be determined by the team coach. This will be communicated to the students prior to competition.

- Students in Year 6 who best satisfy the above criteria will be given the responsibility of leading the team and taking on the position of Team Captain.

**Hamilton South Public School Zone PSSA School Representative Trials**

- Students will be selected for trials in conjunction with the criteria for the School PSSA Knockout Competition Representative Teams.

**Evaluation**

- This policy will be reviewed by the Hamilton South Public School staff team at the end of each year.

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