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GUIDELINES FOR SELECTION OF APS REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

The selection committees are made up of representatives from the Firsts Coaches / Teachers in Charge on a rotational basis, usually two/three in number. These members are nominated by the respective school Delegate and ratified by the Head of School.

1. NOMINATIONS

- (a) Nomination forms must be signed by the Delegate before submission, or the students may not be considered for selection. It is the Delegate's role to endorse these nominations as being worthy on grounds of both ability and conduct.
- (b) The nominations submitted by the schools will have been placed in rank order of ability, and adhere to the recommended number of nominations for each sport and signed off by the Delegate.
- (c) **ONLY NOMINATED STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR SELECTION.**
- (d) Nominated students must attend selection trials to be considered for selection unless prior contact has been made by the Delegate of the school concerned to the selectors to discuss the circumstances of the absence.

2. SELECTION PROCEDURE

- (a) It is desirable, but not obligatory, for each school to gain some representation in each sport. The best team, based on merit, should be selected.
- (b) Where difficulty is experienced in deciding between two players, preference should be given to the student in the higher year / age level, and/or to the school with fewer representatives.
- (c) A Captain and a Vice-Captain must be named for each team. These positions should be awarded more on service to APS Sport than on performance. It is preferable that the player/s named has captained their school team and the Captain and Vice Captain should come from different Schools. Schools are invited to indicate on the nomination sheet any students that they wish to be considered for captaincy or leadership roles. The Executive Officer has a record of previous Captains of Firsts teams for perusal, if required.
- (d) In Badminton, Cricket, Cross Country, Table Tennis and Tennis, selectors have at their disposal individual results and performances to enable a more objective selection than in other sports. These should be used to select, finalise, and if necessary, justify selections.
- (e) If the selectors cannot agree, or any failure to adhere to selection guidelines cannot be resolved, publication of the team will be withheld until the Executive Officer has discussed the matter with the appropriate Chair of Delegates and a final decision made.
- (f) If all selectors are in agreement, and the Executive Officer has been consulted, the team may be announced immediately following the meeting or selection trial. This can also include the naming of the Captain or other leadership positions.
- (g) Emergencies must be named in addition to the selected players. They are not required at the Representative match, unless called upon.

3. FOOTBALL SELECTORS

The 3 APS Football Selectors/Coaches are also asked to provide support staff for the Representative Football Match including Runners, Water Boys, Physios, etc.

4. APS SECONDARY SELECTION TRIAL / TRAINING GUIDELINES

BEFORE TRIAL / TRAINING

- Plan how you will conduct the trial (take into consideration the numbers, venue, equipment)
- Organise equipment for that sport
- Each selector should have a clip board, pen and black marker (if marking students' with numbers at trial).
- Print out names with participant list with numbers already assigned.
- Be familiar with participants' achievements/current level

AT THE TRIAL / TRAINING

- WELCOME**
Include participants, parents, coaches and others in this welcome
- TAKE ATTENDANCE ROLL**
- INTRODUCE SELECTORS**
Each selector should be introduced. Explain where they are from, what experiences they have in the sport and encourage the participants to do their best.
- EXPLAIN SELECTION DETAILS OF THE TRIAL**
Provide information about the time and date of the Representative Match
How many numbers will be selected
How many emergencies selected (not required at event, unless called upon)
Explain the qualities and abilities selectors are looking for
- EXPLAIN HOW THE TRIAL WILL BE CONDUCTED**
Will be doing either or a mixture of rotating skill groups, game sense activities, fitness testing.
- FIRST AID**
Participants should advise Selectors of any injuries/aliments
If First Aid is present, advise where that is positioned
Remind participants to keep drinking water/sports drinks, and to manage their Asthma requirements.
- CONGRATULATE & ANNOUNCE SELECTIONS**
Congratulate all participants on skills/efforts demonstrated
Announce successful participants/students

REMINDERS

- Selectors agree on the style of annotations used to assess participants i.e. tick, cross, circle name if definite etc.
- In a private space during the trial, selectors should have a brief chat about their observations.
- Keep rotating selectors with groups. Participants have the opportunity at each skill, rotate playing positions, and limit subs.

5. **SIZE OF APS BOYS' REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS:**

APS BOYS REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS		
SUMMER SPORT	Numbers Selected	Emergencies Selected
Badminton	Up to 10	3
Cricket	12	3
Futsal	8	-
Table Tennis	Up to 10	3
Tennis	Up to 10	3
Touch Football	Up to 14	-
Volleyball	Up to 10 (+libero if desired)	3
WINTER SPORT	Numbers Selected	Emergencies Selected
Australian Rules	22 (Squad)	9
Basketball	10	3
Cross Country*	12	2
Hockey	16 (2 Goalies)	3
Soccer	16 (2 Goalies)	3

* Outstanding younger runners may be included in this Open team on merit, provided that guideline 2 (b) is upheld.

6. **SIZE OF APS GIRLS' REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS:**

APS GIRLS REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS		
SUMMER SPORT	Numbers Selected	Emergencies Selected
Badminton	Up to 8	-
Softball	Up to 12	3
Tennis	Up to 10	3
Touch Football	Up to 12	3
Volleyball	Up to 10 (+libero if desired)	3
WINTER SPORT	Numbers Selected	Emergencies Selected
Australian Rules	24 (Squad)	4
Basketball	10	3
Cross Country*	10	2
Hockey	16 (2 Goalies)	3
Netball	10	3
Soccer	16 (2 Goalies)	3

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