



St Francis Xavier Primary School Interschool Sport Policy

Rationale

At St Francis Xavier Primary School we believe that it is important that all Year 6 students and Year Five (where needed) should participate in Friday sport and have the opportunity to choose the sport or team they wish to play, subject to availability. We believe that interschool sport is a privilege of being in the Senior School and is subject to student's behaviour meeting school expectations when representing the school.

Purpose:

The aim of interschool sports is for students to transfer what is learnt during the Physical Education program into a friendly competitive sporting environment with other local schools.

Implementation:

At St Francis Xavier School, the following guidelines apply to Interschool sport:

- Year 6 students will select their choice of sport. (Winter/Summer)
- Students will then be placed in their sport where possible. If there are more names than there are places in a particular team, students will then be placed in a ballot. Remaining students will then be placed into their next choice of sport.
- If a student does not receive their first preference in Summer sport, they may receive their first preference in Winter sport.
- During the season the team should be rotated on a regular basis to ensure all team members play on a fair and equitable basis.
- Beyond District Level, students will be selected to play based on their ability.
- Students who are in the team but are not selected to play are invited to attend matches to support their team.
- A permission slip must be signed by a parent/guardian for the student to participate in Interschool Sport.
- At the start of each sport season, Year 5 students will also make a choice but will be allocated to a sport based on where numbers are needed after Year Six students are assigned.
- All children must wear hats during Summer Sports.
- What is stated on the permission slip is how the students will travel; no changes will be made without parent/ guardian written consent.
- All interschool sport games played offsite must be entered into the MACS Student Activity Locator (SAL) and a Risk Assessment conducted.

Evaluation:

This policy will be revisited every odd year (e.g., 2025, 2027), reviewed as part of the school's review cycle or as changes are made to the Victorian curriculum.