

Extra-Curricular Programs and Activities Student Selection Policy

PURPOSE

Croydon Hills Primary School values student participation in extra-curricular programs and activities. On occasions extra-curricular programs and activities are restricted to a select number of places.

This policy provides clarity around the various extracurricular programs and activities that may draw upon a selection process to determine student participation.

SCOPE

This policy applies to Croydon Hills Primary School:

- students
- staff involved in the selection process
- the community

The following extracurricular programs and activities that may draw upon a selection process to determine student participation include:

- School Sport Victoria Summer Interschool Sports Competition
- School Sport Victoria Winter Interschool Sports Competition
- School Sport Victoria Track and Field Athletics Competition
- School Sport Victoria Cross Country Competition
- School Sport Victoria Swimming Competition
- McDonalds Hooptime Basketball Competition
- John Monash Science School programs (eg Mini Mathematicians, RoboGals, Big Science Little Scientists)
- Croydon Hills Primary School Choir
- Croydon Hills Primary School Rock Band
- Croydon Hills Primary School Dance Club
- Croydon Hills Primary School Drama Club
- Croydon Hills Primary School Art Club
- Croydon Hills Primary School Indonesian Club
- Somers Camp

Other extra-curricular programs and activities, either planned or ad hoc, that arise over the course of the year that require student selection will follow the general premise of this policy.

The term 'merit' is defined as the quality of being skilled or worthy.

This Policy does not encompass student leadership positions, see [Student Leadership Policy](#).

POLICY

Responsibilities

- School staff are responsible for the selection of students consistent with this policy.
- Students selected in extra-curricular programs and activities are expected to maintain behaviours consistent with the [school's values](#). Failing that may result in forfeiture of selection.
- Parents and carers are asked to support the school's decision making process. The school acknowledges open communication with our community is vital to a positive school culture. Community members that have concerns that may arise out of the selection process are asked to address them consistent with the school's [Complaints Policy](#).

Selection Processes

School Sport Victoria Summer and Winter Interschool Sport

- Eligibility: Year 5 and 6 students
- Selection:
 1. The teacher in charge will call for expressions of interest and preferences from students in the identified learning level/age group.
 2. Year 5 & 6 students will be selected on merit for their first preference, for that season, in the A Team (first team) for the following sports:
 - AFL
 - Basketball
 - T/20 Blast Cricket
 - Hot Shots Tennis
 - Netball
 - Soccer (Football)
 - Softball
 - Teeball
 - Volleybounce/Volleyball
 3. All remaining sports, including the above listed sports' B Team, students will be selected on the following hierarchical criteria:
 1. Year 6 preferences
 2. Merit
 3. Year 5 preferences
 4. Merit

School Sport Victoria Track and Field Athletics, Swimming and Cross Country

- Eligibility: Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 students
- Selection:
 1. The teacher in charge will call for expressions of interest from students in the identified learning level/age group.
 2. Students will be selected on merit consistent with the:
 - i. [School Sport Victoria General Conditions of Play](#)
 - ii. [School Sport Victoria Rules Track and Field - Primary](#)
 1. Student selection for participation 'Games' or 'B sports' that may be offered on the day of the District Sports will be determined by the number of events that student is participating in - consideration: if a student has very few events for the day, could they be included in the participation events to provide them more opportunities?
 - iii. [School Sport Victoria Rules - Swimming](#)
 - iv. [School Sport Victoria Rules - Cross Country](#)

McDonalds Hooptime Basketball Competition

- Eligibility: Year 3 and 4 students; Year 5 and 6 students
- Selection:
 1. The teacher in charge will call for expressions of interest from students in the identified learning level/age group
 2. Students will be selected in teams on merit.

Science programs, Choirs, Rock Band, Clubs and Somers Camp

- Eligibility: Students from the learning level/age bracket identified as the target audience for the extra-curricular program or activity
- Selection:
 1. The teacher in charge of the extra-curricular program or activity will call for expressions of interest from students in the identified learning level/age group.
 2. If the number of students interested exceeds the number of positions available the teacher in charge of the extra-curricular program or activity will call for a written or spoken submission outlining their interest in the extra-curricular program or activity.
 3. The teacher in charge will then consult with a member of the Principal team and the Learning Specialist of the level to select the participants. Factors that will be considered include:
 - a. The student's submission outlining their interest in the extra-curricular program or activity - consideration: does the student have a passion for the area?
 - b. The student's social, emotional and wellbeing needs - consideration: would the student's inclusion support their

progression against pre-identified goals as identified in an Individual Education Plan?

- c. The student's involvement within the last 2 years in similar extracurricular programs or activities - consideration: is it fair that the student has another opportunity at the expense of a student that hasn't?
- d. The student's demonstration of the school's values.

RELATED

- [Croydon Hills Primary School Values](#)
- [Croydon Hills Primary School Student Leadership Policy](#)
- [Croydon Hills Primary School Complaints Policy](#)
- [School Sport Victoria Website](#)

REVIEW CYCLE

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