KINGSGROVE
PUBLIC SCHOOL

SELECTION OF SPORT TEAMS POLICY

Rationale
At Kingsgrove Public School sport is an integral part of our school curriculum. Sport is provided on a class, stage and whole school basis. School representative teams play in the Georges River District PSSA competition. Individual students may represent the school at District, Regional and/or State level in various sports.

Kingsgrove PS PSSA Teams

Junior Teams will be selected from students who are in Year 3 and Year 4. Senior Teams will be selected from students who are in Year 5 and Year 6.

If it is not stated that it is a single sex team, then the teams may be made up of mixed sexes.

When selecting students during trials, consideration will be given to those who display:
- Ability and strong skill level
- Sportsmanship
- Cooperation and attitude
- Commitment to training sessions.

If more students indicate an interest in a team than there are positions, trials will be held.
- Selections will be held over two sessions on different days (minimum)
- Two reserves selected (minimum)
- Children do not have to participate in this sport out of school to be eligible to trial for the team
- The selections will be made according to performance during selection trials
- Children who are absent due to illness or holidays on all selection days will not be considered unless additional players are required to form the team
- All teams will be selected by one or two teachers/selectors
- All children to be selected will have equal time on the field/court during the selection
- Once selections have been made, decisions are final and must be respected by students and parents.

Representative Trials

- Students will be made aware of the trial dates and
- Due to the limited number of students who are eligible from each school only those students who demonstrate exceptional skills relative to the sport will be considered.

The selection process will be based on:
- Performance as part of Kingsgrove PS’s PSSA team (where Kingsgrove fields a PSSA team in that sport) and/or
- Trials if there are more than the desired number of representatives and/or
- Proof and evidence of sporting achievements.

It is not mandatory for Kingsgrove PS to select students for representative trials if any student does not match the required skill level.

Effective Tuesday, 2nd June 2015
Codes of conduct provide a supportive framework that promotes fair play and appropriate behaviour in school sport. These codes apply to players, teachers, coaches, parents, officials and spectators who together provide the environment in which school sport is played. The following codes apply to school sport at all levels and are designed to highlight:

- The principles of enjoyment, satisfaction and safe play in sport
- That students participate for their own sake and not to fulfil the desires of parents, adult groups or peers and
- The encouragement of student participation in sport and in so doing, contribute to higher levels of health and physical fitness.

**Player Code of Conduct and Dress Code**

When chosen to represent the school at PSSA, District, Regional, State, at Gala Days or any other external sporting event, students are expected to behave in an exemplary manner both on and off the sports field. This includes wearing full school sports uniform. When representing the school, students may be expected to wear representative shirts.

Full school sports uniform includes wearing a school hat and necessary safety equipment for specific sports (i.e. helmet, shin pads, mouth guard etc.) Studs are only to be worn (when permitted) while playing sport. They must be removed upon return to school. The same applies to shin pads and other safety gear.

Students are to sign a Player Code of Conduct prior to attending PSSA sport, Gala Days (competitive and non-competitive) and any other external sporting event. It is expected that students uphold the Player Code of Conduct at all times, which they must agree to and sign. Failure to do so will result in behaviour management procedures being put in place, as stated in the school’s Student Welfare Policy.

Players, parents, spectators, teachers and coaches must all abide by the District PSSA Code of Conduct Policy.

The school reserves the right to suspend a student’s participation in sporting activities if their behaviour is inappropriate in any school activities.