

ACC Sport Policy

Preamble

This Sport Policy has been developed in the light of the Mission and Values Statement of Whitefriars College, in which we seek to live by and teach those values which the Catholic Church upholds and to celebrate our Catholic identity in the Carmelite Tradition. The College seeks staff who will be supportive of our faith community and be involved in the celebration of that community. It promotes a spirit of mutual trust and respects the gifts of others. It honours the contributions which each individual makes to the enrichment of the community. The College also values a diverse community in which the contribution of each individual is encouraged, valued and respected. Whitefriars aims to develop and maintain a staff that is committed to the ethos of the College, professional in its approach to learning and teaching and diverse in the range and scope of the skills and experiences it provides.

Scope

This policy applies to all Whitefriars College students.

Policy Statement

Whitefriars College is a member of the Associated Catholic Colleges (ACC) and competes in a variety of sporting competitions, where excellence is valued and all are challenged to achieve their best. As a College, we firmly believe that a student's participation in sport whilst at the College assists them in developing skills for lifelong learning. The ACC sports program provides opportunities for spiritual, social, intellectual, emotional and physical growth through collaboration that fosters positive and supportive relationships. It aims to empower young men to live with integrity through experiences, to be resilient, make decisions and take actions to promote their own health and physical activity. As a Whitefriars College student, it is an expectation that he actively participates in the ACC Sports Program, as required.

In accordance with the ACC we expect our students to represent our college with 'Excellence, Honour and Fairness'

Championship Events	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Athletics	Cricket (Senior)	Football (7-12)	Basketball (7-12)	Cricket (7-10)
Swimming	Tennis (Senior)	Soccer (7-12)	Hockey (7-12)	Volleyball (7-10)
Cross Country	Volleyball (Senior)		Table Tennis (7-12)	Tennis (7-10)
Golf				
Badminton				
Lawn Bowls				

Below is a comprehensive list of sports offered in ACC competition.



College Expectations

The College takes the view that involvement in ACC competition is compulsory, as required by the College. All students are expected to adhere to the highest standard of sportsmanship and respect for all involved in their games or competitions. Participants are required to be available for their fixtured ACC sporting event and training session(s) as determined by the coach. If a selected player is injured or unable to compete he is still required to attend all ACC sporting event and training session(s) to support the team. Students are required to travel to competing schools to participate in games and will be transported to and from the various venues by College or Chartered bus.

Any exceptions to these expectations will only be granted in extraordinary circumstances by the Coordinator of Sport in collaboration with the Deputy Principal – Students and/or Principal after discussion with the student and his parents. Exemptions will not be considered on the basis of outside sporting commitments, employment, appointments, tutoring, early dismissal or extra classes. Involvement in local and representative club sporting teams should complement school sport involvement and as such, school sport must be given high priority.

Games are generally played in school-time, however some individual sports may continue outside the scheduled school day. All students representing the College are to participate in the full and correct sports uniform as outlined by the Head of Sport or their coach at the start of each ACC sporting event/season. Whilst some uniforms are supplied by the College, sport uniforms can be purchased at Bob Stewarts in Kew or at the College uniform shop.

All information regarding fixtures can be found on the ACC website (<u>www.accmelb.com.au</u>). Further details in regard to departure/arrival times, transportation, uniform/equipment requirements and staffing can be found through Whitefriars Learn and Engage.

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