



## **ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE SPORTS ACADEMY KEY SELECTION CRITERIA**

### 1. Selection Process

Each aspiring sports academy member is asked to apply online when applications open. Please note that applicants will be required to log into a google account (all St Joseph's College students have these) to complete the form due to uploaded information requirements.

As part of the application form, each student is asked to include:

- Current Club/Organisation Information
- Representative Experience
- Current Weekly Schedule
- Goals
- A Personal Video

The outcome of the aspiring student- athlete's application will be revealed in a letter addressed to the applicant. Final notification will be sent in due course that outlines whether the applicant was successful, unsuccessful or whether they will be placed on the waiting list.

### 2. Selection Criteria

Selection is based not only on existing performance, but potential for development in high-performance sport as well as the suitability for the balance between sport and academic performance, endeavour and behaviour.

The following criteria are considered essential to be selected for the St Joseph's College Sports Academy:

#### Sporting Ability

- Applicants must showcase a strong desire in their chosen sport and/or demonstrate the potential to play at an elite level,
- Have a proven performance in the behaviour, attitude and work ethic space aligned to the required sports performance,
- Have a desire to enhance personal and team performance at a representative level,
- Exhibit commitment to development.

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## Academic Endeavour:

Consistently achieving satisfactory results in all subject areas.

St Joseph's College Sports Academy students must be performing at relevant AUSVELS standards or above across all subject areas (consolidating).

Incoming Year 7 students are not expected to showcase their learning report, however the information submitted as part of selection into the College may be reviewed for reference. Throughout the academy journey, reviews of school reports and NAPLAN are undertaken to determine if applicants meet the below criteria. This criterion is used as a guideline and exceptional circumstances will be considered.

Behavioural indicators, listed below, that are "consistent or usually" annually.

- Organised for class/practice
- Works collaboratively with teammates, teachers and coaches
- Meets deadlines in all aspects of school life
- Seeks assistance and feedback from coaches (self awareness)
- Strives for personal excellence
- Engages in learning on the off the field
- Behaves respectfully in each sphere of school life

## Interpersonal Development (Underpins behavioural indicators)

Attitude to learning must be positive across all subjects.

Will be expected to consistently demonstrate the College values of ASPIRE.

Align and buy in fully to the St Joseph's College Sports Behavioural indicators.

- Accountability
- Selflessness
- Personal Best
- Teamwork
- Integrity
- Resilience
- Excellence

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## Commitment to the program

Once accepted student-athletes have a commitment to the program for its entirety. To maintain the integrity of the sports academy student-athletes must commit to every year. Only in exceptional circumstances will removal or exit be granted.

A student athlete and their guardian are expected to sign and abide by the SJCSA Agreement and the SJCSA Policy, attached hereto.

## **HOW TO APPLY and APPLICATION TIMELINE**

### Step 1. COMPLETE ONLINE APPLICATION

Applications open July 2 2025.

Before completing an online application, you will be required to have the following information on hand:

- General Student Details
- Parent or Guardian Contact Details
- Sport Details (Club Information, Highest Level of Achievement and Coach Contact Details for the sport that you are applying for)
- Training schedule
- Injuries
- Sports Goals
- Academic Goals
- Video
- Agreeing to Student-Athlete Agreement (Attached)

### Step 2. SELECTION FOR IN-PERSON DISCUSSION (If required) - August 2025

Athletes who are being considered for selection may be invited to take part in a face to face meeting as part of the select-entry process.

If required, students will receive details regarding the face to face meeting (including date, time and location).

### Step 3. OFFERS MADE - End of August, 2025.

Applicants are notified via email if they are being offered a sports academy place.

SJCSA has a principle of gender equity for this academy for which we will endeavour to strive towards.

\*\*\* As part of a targeted focus on developing performance career pathways for para-athletes, with support from Paralympics Australia, SJCSA welcomes applications from students with an eligible impairment for para-sport. \*\*\*

