



BALARANG PUBLIC SCHOOL

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE POLICY

Rationale:

At Balarang Public School representing the school is an integral part of our school curriculum and is a privileged opportunity for participants. Entry for participation will be open to all interested students in the target group.

School representation could include, but is not limited to, participation in:

- Team sports events;
- Individual sports events;
- Choral performances;
- Dance performances;
- Public speaking and /or debating; and/ or
- Enrichment opportunities at Oak Flats High School or partner primary schools.
- Being respectful of others

The staff member coordinating the event, in consultation with the classroom teacher, school executive and staff participating in an event, will be responsible for selecting the teams or students that participate.

When chosen to represent the school students are expected to demonstrate pride in their school and behave in an exemplary manner. This includes the wearing of full school uniform, including a regulation school hat. When representing the school students may be expected to wear representative shirts.

Students selected to represent the school must demonstrate:

- A positive attitude to their learning in the classroom, verified in consultation with the event organiser, the classroom teacher and the school executive;
- Good sportsmanship during all school sport and PE sessions; and
- That the student will follow teachers' instructions.

Students must fulfil their obligations to the event or team for the entire season, including training or rehearsal sessions.

Students who are not or who have not displayed expected behaviour both in the classroom and in the playground prior to the event may be excluded.

Parents may be asked to organise transportation for their child to and from the event.

All students selected to represent the school will be required to complete the *Student Representative Terms of Agreement*. The *Terms of Agreement* must be signed by all parties and provided to the organising teacher **not less than 2 days** prior to the event. Any breach of terms will result in participation in the event being revoked at any time prior to and during the event.



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SPORT

Non Competitive Gala Days & Skills Sessions:

Sport is provided on a class, stage and whole school basis. School representative teams play in the Tongarra PSSA competition. Individual students may represent the school at Zone, Area and/or State in various sports.

From time to time the school may enter teams in gala days and/or organise sporting associations to conduct skills sessions at our school or a venue outside of the school. Entry for participation will be open to all interested students in the target group. The staff member coordinating the event, in consultation with the team coach, classroom teacher, school executive and staff participating in an event, will be responsible for selecting the teams or students that participate.

Competitive Gala Days:

The PD/H/PE Committee members responsible for gala days will ensure relevant staff members receive information about upcoming competitive gala days, linked to sports they coordinate. Students will be selected as per age groups specified by the coordinating body. If more students indicate an interest in a team than there are positions, trials will be held by the supervising teacher.

PSSA Sport:

PSSA sport is for primary students only. The Tongarra PSSA determines the sports offered and the age/grade requirements for teams. If more students indicate an interest in a team than there are positions, trials will be held.

When selecting students during trials, consideration will be given to those who display:

- A positive attitude to their learning in the classroom, verified in consultation with the event organiser, the classroom teacher and the school executive;
- Good sportsmanship during all school sport and PE sessions; and
- That the student will follow teachers' instructions
- Ability and strong skill level

Team selection will be based on the above considerations, however, in some cases students may be selected for a team based on welfare issues. The Tongarra PSSA dictates that senior teams are predominantly made up of students from Year 6. However, Year 5 students may attend trials and may be selected for a senior team under the following two conditions:

1. There are not enough interested Year 6 students who meet the criteria to fill the team at trials.

Or

2. Year 5 students attending trials display advanced skill and ability beyond their Year 6 peers.



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Students in junior and senior teams must fulfil their obligations to their team for the entire season, or be faced with exclusion from the team.

When chosen to represent the school at PSSA, Zone, Area, 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 or representative shirts.

Students who are not or who have not displayed expected behaviour both in the classroom and in the playground prior to the event may be excluded.

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

Sports' Code

It isn't whether you win or lose, but how you play the game.

1. Play for the fun of it.
2. Compete by the rules and always abide by the referees/umpires' or touch judges' decisions.
3. Control your temper. Make no criticism – either by word or gesture.
4. Work equally hard for yourself and your team – your teams' performance will benefit and so will your own.
5. Be willing to train and prepare for the game. Preparation helps prevent injury and increases the level of enjoyment.
6. Play only when you are fully fit. To play with an injury will handicap your team and may expose you to risk of serious, lifelong injury.
7. Be a good sport. Encourage fellow team members.
8. At all times cooperate with your coach, team mates and opponents – without them you do not have a competition.
9. Remember the goals of the game are to have fun and improve your skills. Be modest in success and generous in defeat.

This policy may be reviewed at any time, as deemed necessary by the school executive and principal.



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By signing the *Terms of Agreement* students and parents / carers understand that a student may be withdrawn from a representative role at teachers' discretion. This may include withdrawal at the event whereby parents/ carers will be asked to collect their child.

Co-ordinating teacher's signature Date.....

Classroom teacher's signature Date.....

Student's signature..... Date.....

Parent / carer signature..... Date.....