Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country

**Individual entry:** The school team will be selected on performance at school carnivals. However if a talented athlete is unable to compete at the school carnival consideration will be given to them becoming an additional entry based on proven past performance.

**Relay teams:** Will be selected by the convenor of the sport based upon results at the school carnival and other factors such as performance and attendance at training. However, if a student is absent due to illness or unforeseen circumstances at the school carnival and this student has had outstanding zone/regional/state representation from previous years he/she will be considered for selection.

If due to unforeseen circumstances eg illness, family death, family crisis and a reserve is called into a relay team the reserve will compete only at the next specified carnival (zone / regional) to relace the original team member. The reserve will not replace the original chosen member at any subsequent carnivals and has the choice to accompany the team if they progress further on the basis of being a reserve. The reserve may feel free to not attend any further training sessions or carnivals.

All relay team members are asked to make a commitment to attend training sessions as arranged by the school and should notify the school convener in question as to the reasons why they are unable to attend publicised training sessions. Subsequently, if a team member does not attend training sessions without a recognised reason given to the school convener, a nominated reserve may be called upon to replace the original team member in the relay after due consultation with all parties and the Principal.

**PSSA selections**

Intra school trials will be used for selection of students. All selections will be made by school staff. The guidelines for the Safe Conduct of Sports and Physical Activities in Schools document will be followed when selecting students for positions in PSSA teams.

1. Students must be selected on the basis of ability for the position they are to play.
2. Coaches must be aware of the specific strength and physical requirements of activities for all students selected.
3. Selection will be made on merit basis but also taking into account the student’s ability to abide by the Players’ Code of Conduct

*This policy was reviewed in 2012*