



HUNTERS HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

PSSA Selection Procedures

Each year Hunters Hill Public School enters teams in a variety of PSSA competitions. In order to enter competitive teams we hold selection trials.

At each selection trial TWO teachers will be present and watching children performing drills and skills in certain areas of the sport in addition to games or modified games. This will allow students show off their skills. At the beginning of each session the teacher running the trial (the teacher who will be in charge of the team) will endeavour to inform the students of the skills they will be assessing during the trial.

Teachers selecting teams take into account experience in the sport from outside the school (such as weekend teams and/or representative teams) as well as knowledge of student's ability from previous years in PSSA teams, however, final selections will come down to what the teacher in charge observes during the trials.

Each team will not be finalised until both teachers involved in the trial are satisfied that they have adequately seen each student. Students will have the opportunity to be involved in trials for Summer PSSA sports at the end of the Term 4, allowing year 2 students to learn rules of the game and students the opportunity to trial more than one sport if they wish. Trials will be finalised in Term 1 prior to the beginning of competition. Students must select the sport they wish to trial for and be present at those trials to be selected in the team. Extra trials may occur at the coaches' discretion.

All players are selected using performance based criteria. No preference is given to Year 6 or Year 4 students.

If you have any questions about PSSA teams, you should feel free to contact the teacher in charge of that team or Mr Monaghan through the school.

SUMMER

Cricket	-	Mr Monaghan
Softball	-	Mr Newhouse
T-Ball	-	Ms Pearson

WINTER

Boys Soccer	-	Mr Newhouse
Girls Soccer	-	Mr Stepcich
Junior Netball	-	Mrs Morgan
Senior Netball	-	Mrs Laundry
AFL	-	Mr Monaghan
		Mrs George
Tiger Tag	-	nil

Each teacher in charge of a PSSA team has the right to choose their own performance based criteria for selecting the team, and this may change from year to year. In each case the teacher will let the students know at the beginning of and throughout the trials. Below is a generalised overview of each sport:

Sport	Teams Selected	Criteria Used
Cricket	1 Snr Open (13) 1 Jnr Open (12)	Seniors are selected on both batting and bowling ability. Students may be selected specialising for certain roles in the team. Due to Junior rules, all selected students must be proficient batsman and bowlers as well as be prepared to wicket keep.
Softball	1 Snr Boys (11) 1 Snr Girls (11)	All softball players will be selected upon their ability to strike the ball with the bat, field a move ball with a glove, ability to accurately throw the ball and speed in which they can run. Students will also be looked at as a possible pitchers and catchers. Selectors will also assess their knowledge and understanding of the game.
T-Ball	1 Jnr Boys (11) 1 Jnr Girls(11)	All T-ball players will be selected upon their ability to strike the ball with the bat, field a move ball with a glove, ability to accurately throw the ball and speed in which they can run. Selectors will also assess their knowledge and understanding of the game.
Soccer	1 Snr Boys (13) 2 Jnr Boys (9) 2 All age Girls (9)	Players are selected on passing, trapping, dribbling while running and their ability to find space. Position specific criteria is also looked at. Students may be asked to nominate whether they are able to play Goal Keeper.
Netball	2 Jnr Girls (9) 2 Snr Girls (9)	Netball players will be selected based on their ability to throw and receive passes, catch the netball and create space on the court as well as defend. Students will be asked to trial in positions they would like to play and whether they possess the ability to play GS or GA and asked to demonstrate their shooting skills. Students will also be assessed on their ability to make space on the court and how well they read and understand the game.
AFL	2 Jnr Mixed (14) 1 Snr Open (14)	AFL players will be selected based on their ability to kick, handpass and catch the football. Selectors will also assess their speed and fitness and their ability to bear hug an attacking player. Students will also be asked to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the game and assessed on how well they can make space and evade defenders.
Tiger Tag	nil	Players are selected based on ball control when passing and catching and their ability to read plays.

Note:

- *Mixed teams must include a ratio of girls and boys (specific criteria differs for each sport) and Open teams may include anyone with no gender selection rules. All boys sports are automatically open, unless the school enters a girls team in the same sport.*
- *The number in brackets shows the recommended number of students in a team. Teachers have the right to select more or less than this number as long as at least 2 reserves are selected where possible.*
- *In all cases Senior teams are open to Yr 5 and 6 and Junior teams are open to Yr 3 and 4. Juniors may be selected in a senior team only where there were not enough seniors to fill a team.*