

SOMERVILLE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL POLICY ON SPORT

RATIONALE:

The role of the school is to provide opportunities for students, regardless of their abilities, to participate in sport.

- Offer opportunities to experience the benefits of sport.
- Offer opportunity for students to experience a variety of sports.
- Offer opportunity for students of ability to participate in zone and regional competition.
- To promote sportsmanship and team spirit.

Charter reference: Students Goal
Curriculum Goal

Legislative reference: NAG 1

PURPOSES:

1. To give staff and students a clear vision for school sport.
2. To strengthen personal identity and enhance self worth.
3. To reinforce skills taught in physical education, in a practical setting.
4. To help develop positive attitudes in a variety of sporting codes.
5. To provide all students with quality learning opportunities and experiences in both physical education and sport.
6. To give students the opportunity to further develop their sporting skills (sportsmanship, team co-operation).
7. To teach students how to manage the co-operative and competitive requirements of sport.
8. To identify the roles and responsibilities of staff and parents.

GUIDELINES:

1. A staff member will have overall responsibility for sport and PE programmes.
2. Sport will be offered on a regular basis and as a component of the physical education programme.
3. The school will provide a wide range of sports opportunities through sports periods, lunchtimes and exchanges with other schools.
4. Students require a note from a parent/guardian to be excused from sport. All students excused will be provided for by their classroom teacher and given activities to complete.

5. All students are required to be in complete PE uniform for sports activities.
6. Students own PE uniform will be worn for inter-school/inter-zone games and competitions with the exception of sports where a uniform is provided by the school.
7. The programme will allow students the opportunity to participate in inter-school sporting events with the aim of achieving at the highest possible level.
8. A partnership between home and school will be encouraged to involve parents where necessary, or appropriate in coaching, transporting and supporting students.
9. Training for sports teams will be taken by teachers (or parents, where applicable) in lunchtime and after-school time slots.
10. It is recognised that the school will be restricted as to the number of teams that can represent Somerville Intermediate at Eastern Zone field days. These teams will be selected on merit.
11. Participants will meet the cost of outside facilities and transport, unless it is covered by the school activity fee, or School Council funds.
12. Students and adults representing Somerville Intermediate should project a positive image and pride in the school. Sportsmanship, etiquette and team spirit are important attributes that the school expects to be displayed.

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