

SPORTING *Schools*

SPORTING SCHOOLS

GRANT GUIDELINES

TERMS 3 & 4, 2022



Opening and Closing Dates and Times	<p>Term 3, 2022 Applications:</p> <p>Open: 8am AEST on Monday 23 May 2022 Close: 5pm AEST on Friday 3 June 2022</p> <p>Term 4, 2022 Applications:</p> <p>Open: 8am AEST on Monday 15 August 2022 Close: 5pm AEST on Friday 26 August 2022</p>
Responsible entity	Australian Sports Commission
Enquiries	<p>If you have any questions, contact:</p> <p>Sporting Schools Client Support Centre 1300 785 707 info@sportingschools.gov.au</p> <p>Enquiries should be made no later than 3 days prior to grants closing.</p>
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1. SPORTING SCHOOLS PROCESSES



1.1 INTRODUCTION

These guidelines contain information for Sporting Schools grants.

You must read this document before applying for a grant.

This document sets out:

- the purpose of the grant program
- the eligibility criteria
- eligible grant costs
- how grant applications are assessed and selected
- how schools are notified and receive grant payments
- how schools will be monitored and evaluated
- responsibilities and expectations in relation to the opportunity.

This grant program and process will be administered by the Australian Sports Commission (referred to in these guidelines as Sport Australia).

A glossary of key terms used in these guidelines is provided in Section 14.



2. ABOUT THE GRANT PROGRAM

Sporting Schools is an Australian Government initiative designed to help schools increase children's participation in sport and connect them with community sporting opportunities.

As Australia's largest school-based sports participation program, Sporting Schools has funded over 8,000 schools since commencing in 2015. This has provided more than 10 million participant opportunities to get students active, engaged and having fun while sampling a variety of different sports. Sporting Schools programs are provided to children at no cost to their families.

Sporting Schools offers grant opportunities for primary schools, and targeted grant opportunities for secondary schools in relation to year 7 and 8 students. Eligible schools can apply for a grant each term.

Grants support the delivery of sport-based programs to help students build the confidence and capability to be active for life. Sport Australia has partnered with more than 35 national sporting organisations (NSOs) to facilitate delivery of Sporting Schools programs.

The objectives of Sporting Schools are to:

- improve children's fundamental movement skills to encourage lifelong participation in physical activity
- increase awareness of the value of sport in schools

- engage children in high quality sporting programs
- connect children with sport in their local community
- develop the capability and capacity of sport to drive nationwide participation growth.

The additional objectives for the targeted, secondary school component of Sporting Schools (for students in years 7 and 8) are to:

- **Tackle the decline in sport participation that occurs during adolescence.** We seek to do this by targeting secondary students aged 12–14, particularly girls, encouraging long-lasting relationships with sport.
- **Increase physical activity in areas with large cohorts of inactive students.** National data tells us that only one in ten Australian secondary school students get the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity every day of the week. The targeted secondary school (years 7 and 8) program provides sporting activities designed to motivate and spark the interest of these students.
- **Provide access to tailored resources for schools where there is evidence of disadvantage.** Studies show that areas of social disadvantage can often link to large groups of inactive youth. By providing funding and additional resources, the program aims to reduce the barriers these schools face.

3. GRANT PERIODS AND GRANT AMOUNTS

The Australian Government announced \$40.8 million for the Sporting Schools program for 2022, with grants distributed throughout the year. Each school term represents a separate funding period.

Eligible schools can apply for a grant for each school term.

Period	Key dates
Opening and Closing Dates and Times	Term 3, 2022 Applications: Open: 8am AEST on Monday 23 May 2022 Close: 5pm AEST on Friday 3 June 2022 Term 4, 2022 Applications: Open: 8am AEST on Monday 15 August 2022 Close: 5pm AEST on Friday 26 August 2022
Notification	Applicants will be notified via email regarding the outcome of their submission within 15 business days of close of applications.

3.1 PRIMARY SCHOOL FUNDING

Grants of between \$1,000 and \$3,600 (GST exclusive) are available per primary school for each term. This comprises:

- a base funding amount determined by the total number of students enrolled in years P–6 at the school [as provided in the grant application];
- an incentive funding amount for expected overall participant numbers [as provided in the grant application]; and
- a potential, additional 'Special Circumstances' funding amount of \$500 (GST exclusive) to assist eligible schools with additional costs due to location or demographics. To be eligible for Special Circumstances funding, schools need to satisfy at least one of the criteria below:
 - Be a special school
 - Have students enrolled with special needs
 - Be located in an Indigenous community
 - Have students enrolled that identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
 - Be located in a regional or remote location, as determined by the Accessibility and Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA) category classification.

The basis for calculating the base and incentive funding amounts is further detailed below.

PRIMARY SCHOOL FUNDING

School population [years P–6]	Base funding [GST exclusive]
1 to 150	\$500
151 to 300	\$700
301 to 800	\$900
801+	\$1,100
Participants per term	Incentive funding [GST exclusive]
10 to 30	\$500
31 to 60	\$800
61 to 120	\$1,200
121 to 200	\$1,500
201 to 300	\$1,800
301+	\$2,000
Special circumstances	\$500

3.2 SECONDARY SCHOOL FUNDING

Grants of between \$1,000 and \$2,500 (GST exclusive) are available per secondary school for each term. The funding amount is based on the expected participant numbers [as provided in the grant application] as outlined in the table below.

SECONDARY SCHOOL FUNDING

Participants per term	Funding [GST exclusive]
10 to 30	\$1,000
31 to 60	\$1,750
61+	\$2,500

4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

We cannot consider your application if your school does not satisfy all the eligibility criteria.

4.1 WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR A GRANT?

Any Australian school registered with their respective state or territory school registration authority, which has an Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) ID listed on the [Australian Schools List website](#), can register with Sporting Schools.

To be eligible to apply for a Sporting Schools grant, a school must:

- be **registered** with Sporting Schools;
- provide valid bank details (name, account name, BSB and account number). Note, Account details can refer to the registered school's general account or a department of education account in the event of a shared service arrangement (such as those currently in place for NSW and WA Department of Education schools);
- have no outstanding debts with Sport Australia, whether in relation to Sporting Schools or otherwise;
- not be an organisation named by the **National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse** on its list of **Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme**; and
- to submit a **primary school grant application** — be registered as a primary, combined, or special school with enrolled primary school-aged students (from years P–6); and/or
- to submit a **secondary school grant application** — be registered as a secondary, combined, or special school with enrolled secondary school-aged students in years 7 and/or 8.



5. WHAT THE GRANT MONEY CAN BE USED FOR

5.1 DELIVERY OF SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAMS

Sport Australia has partnered with more than 35 national sporting organisations (NSOs) to deliver Sporting Schools programs. The partner NSOs are the recognised peak bodies and custodians of their respective sports in Australia. The partnership with NSOs is pivotal because of:

- the NSOs' ability to nationally deliver a consistent and quality experience for program participants
- the selected NSOs' ability to leverage their aligned workforce across Australia
- the selected NSOs' and their aligned organisations' ability to allow participants to move from the Sporting Schools program into their sport's community sport offering to facilitate ongoing participation.

The partner NSOs are listed on the [Sporting Schools website](#).

Each NSO has their own workforce model, which may include state sporting organisations (SSOs) and/or NSO-nominated providers and coaches who deliver the partner NSOs' products.

Partner NSOs also provide quality delivery resources and professional development for teachers to support teacher delivery.

5.2 ELIGIBLE GRANT ACTIVITIES

Sporting Schools funding is provided to schools to deliver free Sporting Schools programs before, during or after school, within the approved funding period (school term).

Schools can engage an NSO partner sport to deliver a sport package/s or book a teacher delivered package, with bookings made via the online booking system.

A minimum of four sessions of between 45–60 minutes must be delivered to each student (or equivalent 3–4 hours of intensive program delivery where required).

Schools must maintain 'duty of care' responsibilities and ensure appropriate supervision ratios are met.

The parameters describe the requirements of Sporting Schools activities and are summarised in Section 10.1. The [parameters](#) and [terms and conditions](#) are available on the Sporting Schools website.

5.3 SUPPORTED COSTS

The Sporting Schools [spending fact sheet](#) outlines supported and unsupported costs.

Examples of supported costs include:

- payments to NSO partner sports, SSOs, NSO-nominated providers and coaches for the delivery of products and services under Sporting Schools

- purchase of equipment required to deliver an NSO partner sport program
- payment to a teacher for supervision or coaching outside their normal paid work hours at the school
- required travel expenses to the delivery location of an NSO partner sport program
- hire of a facility outside the school property for delivery of programs
- payment for teacher professional development to enable delivery of an NSO partner sport program.

Schools are required to acquit their grant at the completion of each funding period and may be subject to audit.

5.4 GRANT ACTIVITIES NOT SUPPORTED

Sporting Schools grants cannot be used for:

- delivery of programs outside the approved funding period (school term)
- delivery of programs where children/families are charged to participate
- delivery of existing sport and physical education programs
- programs delivered during weekends and/or school holidays.

5.5 COSTS NOT SUPPORTED

Examples of costs not supported for Sporting Schools include but are not limited to:

- expenses incurred prior to grant approval or outside the approved funding period (school term)
- payments to non-NSO partner sports
- any expenses in relation to school carnivals, interschool sport, representative sport, competitions, or gala days
- purchase of uniforms and apparel
- purchase of equipment outside what is required to deliver an NSO partner sport program
- expenses associated with meeting duty of care requirements, including first aid kits/duty officer, sunscreen, water bottles and shade shelters
- hire of school owned equipment or property to deliver programs
- purchase of electronic items or devices
- installation of permanent infrastructure
- catering and food.

Please refer to the [spending fact sheet](#) for more information on supported costs.

The examples provided are not exhaustive. If schools require clarification, please contact the Client Support Centre on 1300 785 707.

6. ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Eligible applications for primary school funding and secondary school funding will be assessed separately against the relevant assessment criteria.

6.1 PRIMARY SCHOOL FUNDING

In the event that (as anticipated), applications exceed the level of available funding, applications will be ranked in order of priority for funding, by applying each of the following criteria in order:

1. schools which have received the least number of Sporting Schools grants over the past four terms will be given priority
2. schools which propose engaging a higher proportion of their school population will be given priority
3. schools which submit their application earlier in the application period will be given priority over later applications.

6.2 SECONDARY SCHOOL FUNDING

Schools must address the following two criteria in their application. Applications will be assessed based on the weighting given to each criteria.

CRITERIA 1 — REACHING THE TARGET DEMOGRAPHIC (50%)

This will be demonstrated by:

- planning to deliver a targeted program for secondary schools that provides access to tailored resources and support for students in years 7 and 8
- planning to deliver a program focused on girls, which addresses the barriers preventing teenagers from participating in sport.

CRITERIA 2 — MEETING PROGRAM GOALS (50%)

This will be demonstrated by:

- tackling the decline in sports participation that occurs during adolescence, targeting secondary students aged 12–14, particularly girls, encouraging long-lasting relationships with sport
- increasing physical activity in areas with large cohorts of inactive students.
- motivating and sparking the interest of year 7 and 8 students
- providing access to tailored resources for schools where there is evidence of disadvantage. Studies show that areas of social disadvantage can often link to large groups of inactive youth.



7. HOW TO APPLY

Before applying, you must read and understand the:

- Sporting Schools grant guidelines (this document)
- **parameters**
- **spending fact sheet**
- **terms and conditions.**

To apply you must:

- meet all eligibility criteria
- be a nominated contact on the school's site account with a registered individual username and password
- login to complete the online Sporting Schools application form via the Sporting Schools portal
- submit your application prior to the closing date
- agree to the terms and conditions.

Schools can submit one application each term for the grant type they are eligible for. Combined schools and special schools may apply for a primary and secondary school grant each term if they meet the eligibility criteria.

Schools must apply for a grant using the Sporting Schools portal via the **Schools Login** on the **Sporting Schools website**. No applications can be submitted in any other form.

On submission of your application, you will receive an email confirming your application has been submitted successfully and a summary of your application.

Schools are able to edit their application after submission during the application open period. Applications cannot be changed after the closing date and time.

You are responsible for ensuring that your application is complete and accurate. Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the Criminal Code 1995 and we will investigate any false or misleading information and may exclude your application from further consideration.

If an error is found or information is missing, Sport Australia may ask for clarification or additional information from you that will not change the nature of your application.

If you need further guidance around the application process, contact the Sporting Schools Client Support Centre at info@sportingschools.gov.au or by calling 1300 785 707.

7.1 TIMELINES

You can submit an application between the published opening and closing dates and times.

Late applications will be considered where technical difficulties have prevented you from applying, and contact has been made with the Client Support Centre before the grant application closing date and time.

Late applications may also be considered where extenuating circumstances (such as natural disasters) prevent you from applying, noting that contact needs to be made with the Client Support Centre within 3 business days of the grant application closing date.

All grant applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application within 15 working days from the closing date.

7.2 QUESTIONS DURING THE APPLICATION PROCESS

If you have any questions during the application period, please contact the Sporting Schools Client Support Centre at info@sportingschools.gov.au or by calling 1300 785 707.

The Sporting Schools Client Support Centre will aim to respond to enquiries within three working days.

8. THE GRANT SELECTION PROCESS

Your application will be considered through an open competitive grant process.

Applications will be assessed for eligibility by Sport Australia.

If the selection process identifies unintentional errors in your application, you may be contacted to correct or explain the information.

Eligible applications will then proceed to assessment against the relevant assessment criteria, for primary school funding or secondary school funding as applicable. The assessment process will be undertaken by Sport Australia staff in each case.

8.1 PRIMARY SCHOOL FUNDING

To ensure equal access to primary school funding, applications are prioritised for funding by applying the assessment criteria. Applications are then ranked and may be recommended for funding (subject to availability).

8.2 SECONDARY SCHOOL FUNDING

Secondary school applications are assessed through a competitive process. The assessment panel will consider each application on its merits based on how well it satisfies the assessment criteria. Applications are then ranked and may be recommended for funding (subject to availability).

8.3 WHO WILL APPROVE GRANTS?

The grant approver is the Director, Sporting Schools.

The Director's decision is final in all matters, including:

- the approval of the grant
- the grant amount to be awarded
- the terms and conditions of the grant.

There is no appeal mechanism for decisions to approve or not approve a grant.





9. NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION OUTCOMES

Sport Australia will advise you of the outcome of your application via email.

If you are successful, Sport Australia will advise you of any specific conditions attached to the grant.

10. SUCCESSFUL GRANT APPLICATIONS

If you are successful, you will be notified by Sport Australia. This notification will confirm you have met the requirements for a grant. It will also set out:

- terms and conditions
- parameters
- eligible expenditure.

10.1 PROGRAM DELIVERY AND PARAMETERS

Schools are required to use the grant only for permitted activities (e.g. program delivery and associated costs) within the approved funding period under Sporting Schools and for no other purpose. Expenditure of funds or program delivery cannot be rolled over to another school term (funding period).

The parameters help to describe the characteristics of required activities for schools participating in Sporting Schools. All schools which receive Sporting Schools funding are required to comply with the following parameters*:

- deliver a minimum of one **Sporting Schools partner sport** within the approved funding period
- provide Sporting Schools programs as a free service. Schools must not request payment from children or families to participate in activities under Sporting Schools
- provide Sporting Schools programs as complementary to existing sport and physical education curriculum delivery

- deliver a Sporting Schools partner sport program, with a minimum of four sessions, which apply the Playing for Life key principles:
 - each session must:
 - > have the same participants taking part
 - > have a minimum of 10 participants
 - > engage participants of all abilities; and
 - > actively engage participants for the duration of the session (i.e. 45–60 minutes of activity).
- ensure active supervision is provided for activities under Sporting Schools in addition to the coach
- deliver activities under Sporting Schools to the number of participants identified in the approved grant application
- spend funding on Sporting Schools activities and supported costs only within the approved funding period (school term)
- deliver the program before, during or after school, during the nominated funding period (school term)
- comply with Sport Australia's financial declaration (acquittal) and reporting requirements.

Sport Australia has partnered with more than 35 NSOs to deliver Sporting Schools programs across Australia. Our partner NSOs offer developmentally appropriate and curriculum-aligned programs for children designed specifically for the school environment. They also provide quality delivery resources and professional development for teachers to support teacher delivery.

Schools can use their site account to **login** to the online Sporting Schools portal to access coach and teacher-delivered sport packages in the booking system, and make bookings with partner NSOs and their approved organisations. Each sport package on offer meets the minimum number of sessions and participants required by Sporting Schools and each coach accessible through the booking system meets all coaching requirements, including a valid working with children check.

*Note that schools with less than 10 students can still apply. Delivery equivalent to 3–4 hours per participant is supported where school or program delivery location requires intensive delivery.

Due to exceptional circumstances (such as natural disasters, school closures or other circumstances approved by Sport Australia), schools may have an Exceptional Circumstances Activity Plan approved if they are unable to deliver a program within the funding period.

Full details of the school's obligations can be found in the **parameters** and **terms and conditions** on the Sporting Schools website.

10.2 SPECIFIC LEGISLATION, POLICIES AND INDUSTRY STANDARDS.

While you are required to be compliant with all relevant laws and regulations, you may be asked to demonstrate compliance with child protection legislation, policies and/or industry standards.

Sport Australia is committed to the safety of children as outlined in the Child Safe Commitment Statement and **Child Safe Policy**.

Partner NSOs are recognised by Sport Australia and required to adopt, implement and enforce policies that support safe environments for children that are compliant with relevant child protection legislation.

As detailed in the **terms and conditions**, schools which receive funding are required to:

- comply with relevant legislation relating to working or volunteering with children
- ensure working with children checks are obtained where required and remain current
- implement the **National Principles for Child Safe Organisations**
- identify and manage the risk of harm or abuse to children
- provide training and implement a compliance regime for people working with children
- notify Sport Australia if there is a failure to comply with expectations
- impose the same child safety obligations on subcontractors (e.g. coaches).

10.3 HOW SPORT AUSTRALIA PAYS THE GRANT

Each grant will be paid in a single instalment.

Sport Australia will transfer all grant funding electronically into the school's nominated Australian bank account, or shared services account for government schools in NSW and WA.

10.4 GRANT PAYMENTS AND GST

If the school is required to be registered for GST and is not a 'government related entity' as defined in A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 (Cth):

- the grant will be increased by the prevailing rate of GST; and
- under the terms and conditions, the school authorises Sport Australia to issue a Recipient-created tax invoice with respect to the grant on the school's behalf.

11. ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRANTS

Successful schools will be listed on the [Sport Australia website](#) after the grant has been paid.

12. HOW SPORT AUSTRALIA MONITORS YOUR GRANT ACTIVITY

Schools must complete any information and reporting regarding the delivery of Sporting Schools programs in accordance with the terms and conditions.

Details required for reporting include:

- grant expenditure and evidence
- total number and demographic information of students engaged
- confirmation and details of program delivery
- coach/es engaged to deliver the program.

12.1 ACQUITTAL

Schools are required to complete an online acquittal via the Sporting Schools portal each term, including evidence of expenditure and program delivery.

Up to \$200 (excluding GST) of supported administration expenses can be claimed without evidence of expenditure.

On submission of your acquittal, you will receive an email confirming your acquittal has been submitted successfully and a summary of your submission.

Acquittal submissions will be assessed, and schools will be notified of the outcome via email.

Schools may be invoiced and asked to return any residual funds. If a school disagrees with an acquittal outcome, such as expenses that have been rejected, schools can email info@sportingschools.gov.au and ask for the acquittal to be reviewed.

Failure to submit an acquittal may result in the school being required to repay the full grant amount.

Amendments to acquittals will only be accepted within 12 months of the end of the approved funding period.

12.2 PROGRAM DELIVERY SURVEY

Where a school receives funding, a program delivery survey will be sent to the school at the end of the term (funding period) to be completed.

12.3 EVALUATION

Sport Australia will evaluate the grant program to measure how well the outcomes and objectives have been achieved.

Sport Australia may use information from your application, acquittal and program delivery survey for this purpose. We may also interview relevant people at your school or ask for more information to help us understand how the grant impacted your school community and to evaluate how effective it was in achieving its objectives.

12.4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Schools and other parties must seek and receive written approval from Sport Australia before making any public announcements about Sporting Schools funding or promoting related activities.

Where possible, acknowledge the Australian Government as follows:

‘Sporting Schools is an Australian Government initiative’.

If you make a public statement about Sporting Schools, we require you to acknowledge the grant your school received as follows:

‘[School name] received funding from the Australian Government to deliver Sporting Schools’.

Instructions on how to use the Sporting School’s logo are available in our [Branding guide for schools](#) which can be found on the Sport Australia website.

If using the Sporting Schools logo outside of the provided templates/resources, final logo placement must be approved by Sport Australia. Contact the Sporting Schools Client Support Centre at info@sportingschools.gov.au to seek approval.

13. PROBITY

Sport Australia will make sure the grant opportunity process is fair, according to the published guidelines, incorporates appropriate safeguards against fraud, unlawful activities and other inappropriate conduct.

13.1 ENQUIRIES AND FEEDBACK

If you have a complaint concerning the grants process for Sporting Schools, please submit it via the **complaints form** on the Sport Australia website.

13.2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Any conflicts of interest could affect the performance of the grant opportunity. There may be a conflict of interest, or perceived conflict of interest, if Sport Australia staff, any member of a committee, or advisor, and/or you, or any of your personnel:

- has a professional, commercial or personal relationship with a party who is able to influence the application selection process, such as a Sport Australia staff member
- has a relationship with, or interest in, an organisation, which is likely to interfere with, or restrict the applicants from carrying out the proposed activities fairly and independently
- has a relationship with, or interest in, an organisation from which they will receive personal gain because the organisation receives a grant under the grant program.

If you identify an actual, apparent, or perceived conflict of interest, you must inform Sport Australia immediately via email info@sportingschools.gov.au.

Conflicts of interest for Sport Australia staff will be handled as set out in Sport Australia's Conflict of Interest Policy.

13.3 HOW SPORT AUSTRALIA WILL USE YOUR INFORMATION

Sport Australia may share your information with other government agencies for relevant Australian Government purposes such as:

- to improve the effective administration, monitoring and evaluation of Australian Government programs
- for research
- to announce grant recipients.

If a school has been successful in its application for funding, Sport Australia will provide partner NSOs with school contact information including the school's primary contact, address, email, and phone number.

13.4 TREATMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Sport Australia will treat the information provided by applicants as confidential if it meets all of the three conditions below:

- is clearly identified as confidential with an explanation as to why it should be treated as confidential
- the information is commercially sensitive
- disclosing the information would cause unreasonable harm to you or someone else.

13.5 WHEN WE MAY DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Sport Australia may disclose confidential information to:

- Sport Australia's Board and our employees and contractors, (and to other Commonwealth employees and contractors as required) to help us manage the grant program effectively
- Sport Australia's Board and our employees and contractors (and to other Commonwealth employees and contractors as required) so we can research, assess, monitor and analyse our programs and activities
- the Minister or Parliamentary Secretary
- the Auditor-General, Ombudsman or Privacy Commissioner
- a House or Committee of the Australian Parliament.

Sport Australia may also disclose confidential information if required or authorised by law, or if someone other than Sport Australia has made the confidential information public.

13.6 PERSONAL INFORMATION

Sport Australia must treat your personal information according to the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs) and the *Privacy Act 1988*. This includes informing you:

- what personal information Sport Australia collects
- why Sport Australia collects your personal information
- who Sport Australia may give your personal information to.

The full details of how your personal information is treated can be found in the Sport Australia **Privacy Policy**.

Sport Australia may give personal information collected, to our Board, employees and contractors, and other Commonwealth employees and contractors as required, so we can:

- manage the grant program
- research, assess, monitor and analyse our programs and activities.

Sport Australia may also:

- announce the names of successful applicants to the public
- publish personal information on the Sport Australia website.

13.7 REPORTING

Effective disclosure and reporting of administered grants is essential for public accountability. Sport Australia publishes grant recipients and funding details on its website.

13.8 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

All documents in the possession of the Australian Government, including those about this grant opportunity, are subject to the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (FOI Act).

The purpose of the FOI Act is to give members of the public right of access to information held by the Australian Government and its entities. Under the FOI Act, members of the public can seek access to documents held by the Australian Government. This right of access is limited only by the exceptions and exemptions necessary to protect essential public interests and private and business affairs of persons in respect of whom the information relates.

All FOI requests must be referred to the Sport Australia FOI Officer: foi.officer@ausport.gov.au



14. GLOSSARY

Term	Definition
acquittal	a financial declaration completed by a school at the end of a funding period reconciling financial expenditure of a grant
ARIA category	the Accessibility and Remoteness Index of Australia classification of school location calculated via physical address post code, that describes location, based on the Australian Statistical Geography Standard Remoteness structure, ARIA remoteness scores and ratings
assessment criteria	are the specified principles or standards, against which applications will be judged. These criteria are also used to assess the merits of proposals and, in the case of a competitive grant opportunity, to determine application rankings
coach	means an individual (being an employee, contractor or volunteer of an organisation) nominated by an organisation to deliver activities under Sporting Schools, excluding teachers
eligibility criteria	refers to the mandatory criteria which must be met to qualify for a grant. Assessment criteria may apply in addition to eligibility criteria
funding period	means the time period (school term) specified by Sport Australia within which a school may use a grant to deliver activities under Sporting Schools
grant	refers to an arrangement for the provision of financial assistance by Sport Australia on behalf of the Australian Government to support the delivery of activities under Sporting Schools
grant activity/ activities	refers to the project /tasks /services that the grant recipient is required to undertake
grant approver	the person who makes a decision to award a grant
grant program	a 'program' carries its natural meaning and is intended to cover a range of related activities aimed at achieving government policy outcomes
grant recipient	the school which has been selected to receive a grant
NSO	a national sporting organisation accepted by Sport Australia as a partner sport in Sporting Schools
NSO-nominated provider	a provider approved by an NSO to deliver activities under Sporting Schools with respect to the NSO's sport
organisation	refers to an NSO, SSO or NSO-nominated provider
outstanding debt	refers to an unpaid invoice/s older than 30 days owed to Sport Australia including Sport Australia pilot programs and/or projects
P-6	the grades of schooling offered by primary schools, from the first year of formal schooling through to year 6 (and including year 7 in South Australia where applicable)
parameters	the requirements for conduct of the Sporting Schools program
participant	an individual who takes part in Sporting Schools program sessions
Playing for Life	the Playing for Life philosophy which is based on a theoretical approach that uses games rather than drills to introduce particular sports or structured physical activities

Term	Definition
relevant legislation	any legislation of the Commonwealth, State or Territory that applies in the jurisdiction where activities are being delivered under Sporting Schools
school	an educational establishment whose major activity is the provision of full-time primary or secondary education. The school must be registered with their respective state or territory school registration authority, which has an Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) ID listed on the Australian Schools List website to be accepted by Sport Australia to conduct activities under Sporting Schools
selection process	the method used to select potential grant recipients. This process will involve the assessment of applications against the eligibility criteria and assessment criteria
session	means one lesson of 45–60 minutes delivered to a student/class
site	means the Sporting Schools website
site account	an account established for use of the site by a school or organisation that intends to participate in Sporting Schools, accessed via a registered individual username and password for an employee of the school or an employee, contractor or volunteer of a relevant organisation
sport package	an NSO-approved sporting product delivered under the Sporting Schools program over a minimum of four (4) sessions
SSO	a state sporting organisation approved by an NSO to deliver activities under Sporting Schools with respect to the NSO's sport
teacher	an individual (being an employee of the school, that has a valid state and/or territory teacher registration) nominated by a school to deliver activities under the Sporting Schools
working with children check	the process in place under relevant legislation to screen an individual for fitness to work with children



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