



HERVEY BAY STATE HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS POLICY



1.1 PURPOSE

To represent Hervey Bay State High School in sport at any level of school sport is a privilege, not a right. The purposes of this policy are to ensure:

- The behaviour of students selected as sporting representatives of Hervey Bay State High School is of a high standard.
- Staff assisting/supervising school sporting representatives will have a set of procedures consistent with the ethos of the School Responsible Behaviour Plan (Code of Citizenship) for Students employed at Hervey Bay State High School which they may implement should the necessity arise.
- Students and parents are aware of the school's expectations concerning their behaviour while representing the school in sport as well as the consequences of choosing not to adhere to these expectations.

It is important that staff assisting/supervising sporting representatives ensure this policy is discussed with and understood by all students participating in representative sport.

1.2 EXPECTATIONS PRIOR TO REPRESENTING HERVEY BAY STATE HIGH IN SPORT

- The behaviour/s exhibited within the school community **prior** to representation, should clearly signify the student's capacity to represent Hervey Bay SHS in the wider sporting context to an acceptable standard. Failure to demonstrate these capacities may lead to the **withdrawal** of the student from representative situations. Sporting privileges will be awarded to students in the 'Green' zone. For students who are on 'Orange' level, can apply for Principal permission to play. in line with the School Wide Plan for Behaviour Management (Code of Citizenship).
- To assist in keeping costs as low as possible for Hervey Bay SHS sporting representatives and in the administrative requirements of the school, it is policy that all forms and payments (and/or payment arrangements) relevant to the sporting activity be given in to the school **5 DAYS BEFORE THE DEPARTURE/COMPETITION DATE.**
- Exceptional circumstances that do not allow for this payment deadline to be met must be negotiated with the Sports Co-ordinator or the Head of Department of Health & Physical Education. If this is not done by this time, the student will not be permitted to participate in that sporting competition/trip.
- All students representing Hervey Bay State High School are expected to travel as a team when bus transportation is provided. If alternative arrangements are necessary, such as a parent opting to transport their child privately, the student is still responsible for the associated bus fee. All private travel plans must be communicated to the Sports Co-ordinator at least two days before the competition date.
- **ALL** school and excursion fees must be up to date for a student to be eligible to represent Hervey Bay SHS in representative school sport.

1.3 EXPECTATIONS OF HERVEY BAY STATE HIGH SPORTING REPRESENTATIVES (District/Regional/QLD)

- Students selected for Hervey Bay District representative teams to participate in Wide Bay Selection trials are required to have all forms and payments (and/or payment arrangements) relevant to the sporting activity be given to the school **5 WORKING DAYS BEFORE THE DEPARTURE /COMPETITION DATE.** Failure to do so would indicate a lack of commitment to their selection and the school will notify the Hervey Bay District Secondary School Sports Management Committee of the student's withdrawal, dependent upon the timeline.
- Students who achieve higher representation (eg. Hervey Bay District, Wide Bay, Queensland) but do not comply with the expectations mentioned above (and those required by the Regional Sports Office) will still have to undergo consequences at a school level via the Principal and then through the School Sports Committee.
- Attendance at team meetings and training sessions are expected.
- Full school uniform and closed in shoes, must be worn when travelling as a team member (eg. on a bus trip)

1.4 SCHOOL SPORTS COMMITTEE

The Hervey Bay State High School Sports committee will be made up of those teachers who supervise representative school sport, the Sports Co-ordinator and a member of the school administrative team. Its role will be to decide on all issues relating to Hervey Bay State High students' participation in representative school sport and relevant policies.

1.5 CONSEQUENCES

Should a student choose to not follow any of the expectations mentioned above:

- All incidents must be recorded on One School and referred to the Head of Department of Health and Physical Education.
- Minor indiscretions will be addressed by the teacher in charge of the sport and may require immediate withdrawal from further participation in the competition in which they are representing the school. Furthermore, the student's behaviour level will also be impacted by moving down to the orange zone. This will be the professional judgement of the teacher in charge.

1.6 PLAYERS AND PARENTS/CARERS CODE OF CONDUCT

Hervey Bay State High School strongly supports and encourages parents/carers to attend school sporting competitions to support our players. We are very fortunate to have dedicated staff supervising this additional activity, enabling your student to participate in extra-curricular activities and competitions. Any student wishing to participate in extra curricular sporting events will be required to sign a player's code of conduct document outlining the expectations of not only players but families and spectators. If a player and or parent does not adhere to these expectations and doesn't respond to assistance provided, they will be issued with a breach notice and may be prohibited from attending future school sporting events.