

ACC CHAMPIONSHIP
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1. AIM

It is the aim of the Associated and Catholic Colleges of WA, a sporting association of Catholic and Independent secondary schools, to conduct interschool sport that encourages participation, sportsmanship and healthy competition. The ACC Championship is an all ACC elimination tournament with the final aim to crown the winner of the Grand Final as the Champion ACC team in each sport/gender/age group.

2. PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS & SPORT COORDINATOR CONTACTS

The ACC Championship is open to all affiliated ACC member schools: <https://www.accsport.asn.au/schools/listing>

ACC SOUTHERN CONFERENCE			ACC NORTHERN CONFERENCE		
All Saints' College	Ben Shaw	0412 546 853	Alkimos Baptist	Rochelle Moore	0434 959 651
Austin Cove	Lezanne Smith	0416 681 028	Aranmore	Adam Miotti	0412 827 984
Australian Christian	Stuart Thomas	0413 073 437	Atlantis Beach Baptist	Jessica Hall	TBC
Bunbury Grammar	Jason Reid	0409 917 410	Carmel	Chris Quelch	0448 211 814
Bunbury Catholic	Kelly Bastow	0418 932 909	Chisholm	Ralph Heyes	0434 107 517
Carey (Forrestdale)	Daniel Ogle	0401 931 710	Ellenbrook Christian	Stefan Grove	0416 920 760
Carey (Harrisdale)	Taylor Kong	0432 570 059	Emmanuel Christian	Peter Siani	0450 405 477
CBC Fremantle	Sam Buhagiar	0466 210 588	Geraldton Christian	Andre Steenekamp	0439 021 752
Clontarf	TBC	TBC	Geraldton Grammar	Rachel Opalinski	0427 511 108
Cornerstone	Shayne Zanetti	0434 984 317	Guildford Grammar	David Guest	0477 507 976
Corpus Christi	James Howard	0439 903 992	Helena College	James Waterhouse	0400 349 396
Court Grammar	Rob Furzer	0433 947 257	Holy Cross	James Kerr	0456 032 326
Dale Christian	Jeremy Phillips	0417 246 820	Immaculate Heart	Daniel Martin	0414 922 638
Emmanuel Catholic	Celina Dormer	0433 600 682	International School	Bernie Kubainski	0416 383 156
Esperance ACS	Blair Castelli	0439 707 754	Irene McCormack	Jeremy Carbone	0428 555 991
Foundation Christian	Bevyn Tarboton	0435 990 922	John Septimus Roe	Nathan Chapman	0420 225 445
Frederick Irwin	Kevin Watson	0435 158 905	John XXIII	Jessica Pillera	0468 999 868
Fremantle Christian	Nathan Fletcher	0422 966 048	Kingsway Christian	Jeremy Ewers	0425 831 215
Georgiana Molloy	Robyn Vogel	0403 311 090	La Salle	Riley Milligan	0411 299 577
Grace Christian	Ben Prebble	0400 212 417	Lake Joondalup	Joel Smith	0448 065 537
Heritage College	Maria Christou	0432 642 321	Mater Dei	Jordan Webster	0415 241 918
Hillside Christian	TBC	TBC	Mercedes	Natalie Munro	0411 232 796
John Paul College	Ashley Wilson	0467 256 729	Mercy	Meg Connell	0404 217 849
John Wollaston	Tyron Dias	0421 578 637	Nagle	Jo Italiano	0430 221 504
Kearnan College	Aaron Pedlar	0427 227 665	Newman	Marnie Barrett	0401 137 410
Kennedy Baptist	Robert Ford	TBC	Peter Moyes	Matt Carstens	0425 025 838
Kolbe	Melissa Dredge	0410 925 102	Prendiville	Amanda Cunningham	0438 358 976
Living Waters	TBC	TBC	Quinns Baptist	Bianca Louw	0468 550 089
Lumen Christi	Craig Preshaw	0478 518 065	Sacred Heart	Renee Tedesco	0401 154 693
Mandurah Baptist	Mark Vanderstoep	0413 290 852	Servite	David Maxwell	0409 456 984
Mandurah Catholic	Ben Caporn	0421 010 439	St Andrew's	Patrick Squire	0416 103 557
Mazenod	Chris Mason	0433 390 410	St Georges's	Jodie Scheele	0403 905 552
Mother Teresa	Jason Norris	0438 338 234	St James'	Amy Lavell	0422 233 403
Mundaring Christian	Phil Croot	0418 243 680	St Joseph's Northam	Adrienne Suckling	0422 515 376
Our Lady of Mercy	Ryan Walkerden	0418 153 427	St Luke's	Jason Bradley	0408 678 402
Peter Carnley	Matt Long	0431 030 916	St Mark's	Will Brock	0415 453 277
Providence Christian	Gary Tjong	0430 054 175	St Mary Carnarvon	Sue Jordan	0429 027 102
Rehoboth Christian	Nathan De Bruyn	0433 160 769	St Stephen's Carramar	Stephanie Ransom	0412 320 358
Salvado College	Brodie Fiegert	0413 206 189	St Stephen's Duncraig	Chelsea Unwin	0466 551 408
Seton Catholic	Niamh Bailey	0410 822 219	Swan Christian	Ryan Faed	0422 137 477
South Coast Baptist	Emily Collins	0430 807 711	Swan Valley	Andrew Storer	0417 938 880
Southern Hills	Chris Yap	0403 158 580			
St Brigid's	Chris Pietroniro	0407 540 394			
St John Bosco	Kelly Rihan	0457 105 968			
St Joseph's Albany	Paul O'Donnell	0427 195 011			
St Mary MacKillop	Tristin Drake	0428 718 025			
St Norbert	Sam Mancini	0413 391 095			
The King's College	Tim Harris	TBC			
Tranby College	Sam Mainwaring	0417 175 016			
Ursula Frayne	Dan Gordan	0416 260 976			

3. AGE REQUIREMENTS

- ACC Championship games will be played in “*senior*” and “*junior*” category only. Schools may enter one (1) team for each sport and gender. The competition is highly competitive and schools have the right to select their best possible team at all times.
- Senior team classification will usually include students from Years 10-12. However, schools may choose to play underage students if they are capable of playing at a senior level.
- Junior team classification will only permit students from Years 7-9.
- The maximum age allowed under ACC policy is U19 as of the 31 December in the competition year.
- The ACC reserves the right to conduct age eligibility checks on any player and at any stage of the tournament. Schools found to be playing any student outside the age requirement rules will forfeit all points earned up until that playing date. If they are involved in the elimination rounds and beyond the team will forfeit their position within the finals format.

4. CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS

Summer	Girls Basketball	Summer	Boys Basketball
Winter	Girls Netball	Winter	Boys Netball
Winter	Girls Soccer	Winter	Boys Soccer

5. TEAM NOMINATIONS

The nomination forms are available on the ACC web site;

Basketball: <https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/team-nomination-forms/basketball-nomination-form>

Soccer: <https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/team-nomination-forms/soccer-nomination-form>

Netball: <https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/team-nomination-forms/netball-nomination-form>

Due Dates: WILDCARD POOLS AND ONE DAY CARNIVAL POOLS

- **Summer teams** will be nominated in term 4, the year before the tournament.
 - **Basketball 2024: Thursday 30th November 2023 (Term 4)**
- **Winter teams** will be nominated in term 1, in the year of the tournament.
 - **Soccer & Netball 2024: Friday 23 Feb 2024 (Term 1)**
- **Compulsory Nomination:** The following schools **MUST** submit the online nomination form.
 - Non Sub-Association Schools wanting to enter either:
 - One Day Carnival (schools that want to participate in the One Day Carnival pools)
 - Wildcard Pool (generally south and north geographic pools playing a weekly fixture)
 - Sub-Association schools that do not have the sport and grade aligned with the ACC Championship.
- **Nomination Not Required:** Sub-Association schools that have agreed to participate in the ACC Championship as part of their sub-association **DO NOT** have to submit a nomination. They are automatically included as pools within the Championship tournament.
 - **CAS, NAS, NEAS, SEAS** (senior and junior)
 - **SAS, RKAS** (senior)

116. FEES & COSTS

- Schools will pay a levy fee for each team nominated in the championship based on the schedule listed below.
- Levy fees will be invoiced to schools before or during the tournament.
- Post tournament, there will be an additional share cost charge for schools playing in the one-day carnival, semifinal or grand final. This will be a shared cost per team for venue hire, referees and first aid.
- Sub-association school fees are based on what schools already pay, plus a championship management fee.
- Non sub-Association school fees are similar to the sub-association fees already in place. One-Day carnivals include a higher fee as there are increased venue and first aid costs incurred by the ACC.
- School Costs: Schools are responsible for their own costs in preliminary rounds, round of 16 and quarterfinals e.g. venue hire/ground preparation, referees, transport, first aid.
- **Withdrawals:** If a school withdraws a team from the Championship before the preliminary rounds begin, they will be eligible for a team fee (this includes withdrawing from one day carnivals where referee, venue booking fees have been purchased):
 - **Two weeks before the scheduled date of the first round – 50% of the team fees**
 - **One week before the scheduled date of the first round – 100% of team fees + shared venue / shared referee costs**
 - **After the preliminary round competition has started – 100% of team fees + shared venue / shared referee costs**
- **Forfeits:** If a school forfeits a match;
 - In the semifinal or grand final stage, they will be responsible for the total cost of venue hire, first aid and referees if there are any cancellation charges.
 - If a school forfeits a match(s) in a one-day carnival, they will be responsible for any shared referee costs.

FEES 2025

Non Sub-Association Teams:	Wildcard Weekly Entry
SporstDash Fee (per team)	\$17.80
ACC Competition Team Fee	\$74.05
ACC Championship Management Fee	\$23.75
ACC GF Live Stream Fee	\$43.50
TOTAL:	\$159.10

Non Sub-Association Teams:	One Day Carnivals Entry
SportsDash Fee (per team)	\$17.80
ACC Competition Team Fee	\$92.25
ACC Championship Management Fee	\$23.75
Venue / First Aid Fee	\$17.40
ACC GF Live Stream Fee	\$43.50
TOTAL:	\$194.70

Sub-Association Teams:	Alignment	CAS	NAS	NEAS	SAS	RKAS	SEAS
ACC Championship Management Fee		\$23.75	\$23.75	\$23.75	\$23.75	\$23.75	\$23.75
ACC GF Live Stream Fee		\$43.50	\$43.50	\$43.50	\$43.50	\$43.50	\$43.50
TOTAL:		\$67.25	\$67.25	\$67.25	\$67.25	\$67.25	\$67.25

Shared Costs	Semi and Grand Final Teams only	<i>* Passed onto schools post competition</i>
	*Venue shared (teams)	
	*First Aid shared (teams)	
	*Umpires/Referees shared (teams)	
	One Day Carnival Teams only	
	*Umpires/Referees shared (teams)	

7. COMPETITION STRUCTURE

ACC Championship games will be a knockout/elimination-based tournament.

Preliminary Rounds (Group Stage)

- ACC schools are initially broken into ACC Sub Association pools, wildcard pools based on geographical location and one-day carnival pools for the preliminary stages of the competition.
- During preliminary stage competition, each team will generally play each other once in a round robin competition.
- Games in the preliminary rounds will be fixture by the ACC for set dates/days/times.
- Winning schools progress into the Rd of 16 or Quarter Finals elimination brackets for each sport and gender.

Elimination Bracket

- Information for teams reaching the elimination stage will be issued ASAP after the conclusion of the preliminary round robin group stage competitions and when the elimination bracket is set.
- Games in the elimination Round of 16 and Quarter Finals will be arranged by mutual agreement between schools.
- Northern and Southern conference crossover will occur where feasible at the Quarter Final stage of the bracket.
- There are two weeks allocated for the elimination Round of 16 and schools must complete the game by the end of the second week of the elimination round.
- Wherever possible matches should always be played on the set day and time listed by the ACC.
- The ACC reserves the right to adjust crossover semifinals as applicable and if warranted within a sport.

8. DAYS OF PLAY – Wildcard Pools & Elimination Bracket

Summer Basketball: Snr Girls Tuesday / Snr Boys Wednesday (*Wildcard Fixtures will vary)

Summer Basketball: Jnr Girls Thursday / Jnr Boys Thursday (*Wildcard Fixtures will vary)

Winter Netball: Snr Girls Tuesday / Snr Boys Wednesday (*Wildcard Fixtures will vary)

Winter Soccer: Snr Girls Tuesday / Snr Boys Wednesday (*Wildcard Fixtures will vary)

Semi Final & Grand Final days and times will vary depending upon central venue bookings and availability.

9. HOURS OF PLAY – Wildcard Pools & Elimination Bracket

Summer Basketball	-	4:00pm start	5.00pm finish
Winter Netball/Soccer	-	4:00pm start	5.00pm finish

**** Exceptions:**

- Winter Round of 16 games versus SAS teams will be scheduled for a 1.30pm start
- Knock out stage games when extra time or penalties are required, may go slightly past 5.00pm

- Both teams are to arrive at least 10 minutes prior to the official start time to commence a warm-up. A mandatory 5-minute warm up should be conducted AT ALL times (regardless of arrival time).
- All schools must make every effort to commence games at the official start time of 4:00pm in summer and 4:00pm in winter.
- The latest allowable start time for games to commence in summer and winter is **4:10pm (or 1:40pm v SAS in winter)**, which ensures games meet the minimum playing requirements and the match is finished by 5:00pm.
- If a team is not on the field of play ready to start by 4.10pm, they will be in breach of rules and could forfeit the match. For full forfeit rules, please refer to 12.8.5.
- Games in preliminary pool rounds can only proceed past 5.00pm if both coaches agree before the start of the game. Games must still be played by the allocated time.
- Games in the knockout phase (Round 16, Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Grand finals) may be extended slightly beyond 5.00pm if extra time or penalties are required to determine the winner.
- All schools must adhere to the start times to ensure the minimum match requirements can be met. If a school has a concern ahead of time about the hours of play, it is the responsibility of that school to make prior contact with the opposition and discuss their options before game day. If this happens, the schools need to include the ACC in any forms of communication. Communication must include email and mobile phone contact.
- If a school anticipates on the day of competition that they are going to be late due to unforeseen circumstances, appropriate and prompt communication is required so schools and umpires are not kept waiting.
- Schools drawn to play against a SAS winning school in the Winter Round of 16 will have an earlier start time of 1.30pm. SAS sport is played during school time (1.30pm – 3.00pm) and there has been a long-standing agreement on Interzone Finals that winter finals will start at 1.30pm. All Quarter Finals and Semi Finals will return to the 4.00pm start time.
- Semi Final and Grand Final games may require an earlier start time as required in some sports (due to venue availability).

10. CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

DRAFT - SCHEDULE	SUMMER	WINTER	
	BASKETBALL	SOCCER	NETBALL
Preliminary Rounds – round robin pools	Term 1: Completed Wed 9 April (wk. 10, T1)	Term 2: Completed Wed 2 July (wk. 11, T2)	Term 26 Completed Wed 2 July (wk.11, T2)
Preliminary Round – One Day Carnivals	Term 1: JNR Metro – Tues 4 March SNR Metro – Thurs 6 March South West – Friday 7 March	Term 2: SNR Metro – Thurs 22 May	Term 2: SNR Metro – Friday 23 May
Venues: Wildcard /Sub Ass = School based venues home & away / One Day Carnival – Central Venues			
Elimination Round of 16	Term 2: (2 week window) JNR: Thurs 1 May SNR Girls: Tue 29 April SNR Boys: Wed 30 April	Term 3: (2 week window) SNR Boys: Wed 23 July	Term 3: (2 week window) SNR Girls: Tues 22 July
Round of 16 Venues: School Based Venues			
Quarter Finals Round of 8	Term 2: JNR: Thurs 8 May SNR Girls: Tues 13 May SNR Boys: Wed 14 May	Term 3: (2 week window) SNR Girls: Tues 5 August SNR Boys: Wed 6 August	Term 3: SNR Girls: Tues 5 August
Quarter Final Venues: School Based Venues			
Semi Finals	Term 2: JNR: Thurs 22 May SNR: Wed 21 May	Term 3: SNR Girls: Tues 19 August SNR Boys: Wed 20 August	Term 3: SNR Girls: Tues 12 August
Semi Final Venues: Central Venues (Coordinated by ACC) / *School venues may be used for soccer			
Grand Finals	Term 2: JNR: Tues 3 June SNR: Tues 27 May	Term 3: SNR: Wed 27 August	Term 3: SNR Girls: Tues 19 August SNR Boys: Tues 19 August
Grand Final Venues: Central Venues (Coordinated by ACC)			

11. RESCHEDULING

11.1 Semi Finals and Grand Finals:

There will be **no match reschedules permitted for the Semi Finals and Grand Finals** in the summer or winter knockout stages. All Semi Finals and Grand Finals will be held at central venues (where feasible) and will be organised by the ACC. If a school cannot play the final, then they will forfeit the match. The loser of the previous final will then be offered the opportunity to play in the next final.

11.2 Round of 16 and Quarter Finals

Rescheduling is not encouraged for the Round of 16 or Quarter Finals. However, if there is an unavoidable clash on a school calendar, then the fixture can be rescheduled within the week(s) designated for that fixture by mutual agreement with opposition.

In the case that a team is unavailable to play, the unavailable team must liaise with the opposition and organise an alternative playing time that suits the opposition school not requesting the reschedule. Regardless of the allocated home/away status, the school not requesting the reschedule will become the home team and the match played at their home venue. The ACC must be notified of all changes as soon as a reschedule is made. Any changes to the use of external venues (if applicable) and the costs associated with the rescheduling including umpires/referees, is the responsibility of the school requesting the reschedule.

In the spirit of sportsmanship, every effort must be made to accommodate a reschedule when requested. The ACC will arbitrate in any disputes/stalemates if a suitable time and date cannot be agreed upon. If a reschedule has not occurred by the Friday of the scheduled fixture week(s) then the ACC will determine which team progresses based on the following protocol.

Arbitration will be based on;

- *Clarification of the original reason(s) for the requested reschedule.*
- *Investigation around the efforts of both schools to find a mutually suitable date and make reasonable compromises, and finally;*
- *An analysis of the preliminary competition ladders for both teams, i.e. games won/lost, match ratio and score difference.*

Information and statistics will be compared and a determination made by the ACC office as to which team will progress to the next stage.

12. GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

12.1 Dress

- It is imperative that all teams are presented in the best possible way. The way the team looks is a reflection of the coach, the school and the Championship.
- For all Championship games, players dress standards must be consistent with, and in line with the usual expectations for that sport and be the official team uniform for that school. All players should be dressed in the same playing top, shorts/skirt/dress and socks.
- Numbered/coded playing tops **MUST** be worn.
- Tracksuits are **NOT** acceptable items to be worn during games. In extreme adverse climatic conditions, the coaches can convene and if agreed, tracksuit tops may be worn, but **NOT** bottoms. In addition, only goalkeepers in soccer may wear tracksuits or part thereof.
- Where playing numbers are required most notably in the sport of basketball this needs to be complied. The referee or umpire has the power to delay the start of the game until all players on the field are correctly attired and numbered.

12.2.1 Staffing

Each team should be supervised by a suitably experienced adult and be assigned a coaching or managing role by the school Sports Coordinator and approved by the Principal. Coaches and managers do not necessarily have to be teaching staff. However, schools must understand their "Duty of Care", and ensure the presence of teaching staff at each venue. Schools need to make sure team staff have adequate first aid training and are well equipped in the event a student sustains an injury. Each school engages all necessary staff and first aid and meets its own cost in this regard.

12.2.2 Staff Authority

Teaching Staff from both schools engaged in a fixture have the authority to address and assist in management of students from the opposite school.

12.2.3 School Complaints

In the event of a dispute, Sports Coordinators should first try to work out an agreement on disputes using the 'ACC Championship Charter' and if unsuccessful move to the school Principals for clarity.

No school is to submit a complaint against another school's team, staff or student(s) without first addressing the issue with the school's Sports Coordinator and Principal. ACC staff will not get involved in any incident or disagreement unless the two Principals cannot come to an agreement. If no agreement can be achieved between the two Principals, either or both Principals may submit a complaint to the ACC for adjudication.

Disputes should be based on a breach or incorrect application of the rules outlined in the competition charter. Disputes and complaints may also relate to unprofessional conduct by staff, coaches or officials.

Complaints may also relate to illegal or inappropriate behavior by a student or group of students.

Disputes concerning referees decisions will not be entered into unless a clear breach of rules is ascertained by all parties involved.

12.3 Team Numbers

Minimum

Summer

Basketball 5 players on court

Winter

Netball

7 players on court

Soccer

11 players on field

Maximum Squad Size

Summer

Basketball 12 players

Winter

Netball

12 players

Soccer

18 players

12.4.1 Umpires/Referees

Schools will need to provide their own umpires/referees for the group stage, Round of 16 and Quarter Finals in the knockouts.

Basketball: Teams to provide 1 x quality referee each = 2 referees on court at all times

Netball: Teams to provide 1 x quality umpire each = 2 umpires on court at all times

Soccer: Teams to provide 1 x lines referee each = 2 lines referees on field at all times. Home school is to provide a quality accredited central referee for the game.

The ACC will supply all umpires/referees for the ACC Championship Semi Finals and Grand Finals. This shared cost will then be split between the participating teams involved in these finals.

Umpires/Referees will be sourced from the specific sport governing body or reputable sources and be expected to be of an appropriate standard with adequate accreditation and experience.

The ACC appreciates any feedback from the Sports Coordinators regarding the umpire/referee standards. The association endeavors to hire reliable umpires/referees to maintain high and consistent standards for the Finals

12.4.2 Send-off Rule

Send off rules & procedures will be as per relevant State Sport Association rules for Junior/School Matches up to 18 years of age.

If a student is sent from the field of play for the remainder of the game (red card), he/she is **not** permitted to return to the field of play for that game under any circumstances. The umpire/referee should indicate the reason for the send off to the team coach and the player concerned when it is convenient. A written report is to be made by the team coach and copies sent to the Sports Coordinators of each school. The Sports Coordinators should then take appropriate disciplinary action and inform the ACC of the incident.

In some sports, State Association Rules for permanent send-off in school matches may result in suspension in community matches.

REFER: APPENDIX 18.7 "INSTRUCTIONS TO UMPIRES/REFEREES".

12.5 Protective Equipment

Please refer to each individual sports in charter. It is essential that **ALL** protective equipment is worn at all times and that the equipment is maintained at optimal levels. Student's safety should not be compromised.

12.6 Reporting of Results (WILDCARD POOLS/ODC POOLS & ELIMINATION ROUNDS)

All scores must be entered/submitted to the ACC office within 24 hours of the result.

All scorecards are to be signed by the umpires/referees and coach from each school. Once the score is agreed and the scorecard is signed, it must be then submitted to the sports coordinator/ACC office. The scorecard must be kept by the sports coordinator in charge of the winning school. On return to school, the scorecard will need to be emailed to **Trent Sharpe at the ACC** trent.sharpe@cewa.edu.au with the other school staff member and/or Sports Coordinator included in the email. If an online results service is being used then the results must be entered into the system with 24 hours of the match.

Once the ACC receive confirmation of the scorecard, the results will be uploaded onto the ACC website and the results will be final.

12.6.1 Forfeit Scoring/Points

If there is a forfeit in a preliminary pool game and a reschedule cannot be agreed upon, then:

The team causing the forfeit will receive 0 points, whilst the opposition receives the competition points for that match in a preliminary round pool.

To assist with the separation of teams with equal points on preliminary round pool ladders, the team winning on a forfeit, will be awarded a predetermined score for that particular sport. The team losing on forfeit will be awarded the reverse of the predetermined score.

FORFEIT SCORES

SPORT	FORFEIT SCORE	
<i>Summer</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>
Basketball	40	0
<i>Winter</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>
Soccer	5	0
Netball	30	0

12.7 Venues

- **Venue/Team Requirements for preliminary rounds, elimination round and quarter finals:**
 - The team mentioned first or outlined in the fixture as (home) H is deemed to be the home team. The home team for preliminary rounds, elimination round and quarter finals shall supply:
 - A full sized playing area correctly marked and safe, with appropriate nets, posts, goals and padding.
 - Home venues for the Round of 16 and Quarter Finals will be rotated on an annual cycle. Should a school be unable to host the knockout fixture, the opposition school may have the opportunity to host if facilities permit.
- **Venue/Team Requirements for Semi Finals and Grand Finals:**
 - Both teams involved in semi and grand final games are requested to assist with the setup of the playing area.
 - Netball/Basketball: Ensure goal posts and backboard posts/uprights have padding in place.
 - Soccer: each team is to set up one goal net and corner flags and remove one goal net and corner flags once the game is complete.
- **Central venues for Semi Finals and Grand Finals:** are selected and booked by the ACC based on several factors:
 - Soccer may use a host school for soccer semifinals – field availability in winter and the condition of soccer fields at school venues mean they are often in better condition than recreational or public facilities of high usage.**
 - Quality and standard of facilities
 - Availability
 - Access for buses to drop off and collect students
 - Proximity to schools
 - Cost
- If issues arise with venue access for semi and grand finals, start times may need to vary or be adjusted as best suited.

12.8 Start/Finish Match Length Policy

- 12.8.1 **Start/Finish Time: Summer/Winter 4.00pm - 5.00pm** is the official match time period. Schools are expected to **arrive by 3.50pm** to enable teams to warm up before the 4.00pm start. The latest allowable start time for games to commence in summer is **4:10pm**, which ensures games meet the minimum playing requirements and the match is finished at 5:00pm.

- 12.8.3 In the case of a match forfeit due to a late start, a ‘social’ match can still be played but the playing time will be reduced by mutual agreement between coaches ensuring equal half playing periods. The result will be invalid.
- 12.8.4 All games MUST adhere to the minimum playing time for that sport (as listed in 12.8.9 and individual sport appendices) to constitute a match. Quarter and Half-time breaks are not to be counted within the playing time.

12.8.5 **Forfeits:**

Round of 16 and Quarter Finals

- In the event that a match is to be forfeited due to a late arrival, then the forfeit must be ‘declared’ before the start of the match. The forfeit is to be declared in the first instance by the coach of the offending team, if not then by the umpire/referee and the forfeit must be noted on the scorecard. If the forfeit is not ‘declared’ before the start of the match then the result will stand if the match length played met the minimum playing time requirements.
- If a team is not on the field of play by 4.10pm then they will forfeit the match and the opposition will be declared the winner on forfeit. The only exceptions to a forfeit will be in cases where the team was late or unable to attend the match at late notice due to exceptional circumstances outside their control. Examples of exceptional circumstances not under team control;
 - Transport incidents or traffic delays outside their control i.e. bus breakdown, failure of external bus company to adhere to requested departure time or failure to not arrive at all, major traffic congestion due to accident or roadworks.
 - Exceptional circumstances at the school i.e. disaster or emergency, school closure, disciplinary action by the Principal.
 - In these exceptional circumstances, the match can be rescheduled in the week(s) that were designated for the fixture. Normal reschedule rules will then apply.
- Exceptional circumstances will not be granted for delays within the control of the team such as poor planning/organization/communication and failure to anticipate reasonable travel time.
- In cases where the reasons for a forfeit are in dispute, the ACC office will arbitrate and determine if a forfeit stands or if a reschedule will be allowed.

Semi Finals and Grand Finals

These exceptional circumstances do not apply to Semi Final and Grand Finals. If a forfeit occurs during these rounds, the non-forfeiting team will be declared the winner.

12.8.6 **Abandoned or Incomplete Games – after commencement**

Round of 16 and Quarter Finals

Should a game be abandoned whilst in progress, for reasons other than severe weather (see 12:10), the match result will depend on whether the cause was ‘avoidable’ or ‘unavoidable’.

- Melees/violence (avoidable): No result and game will be cancelled. This type of play does not uphold the ACC motto “Sport in the right Spirit”.
- Severe Injury (unavoidable): Leading team at the time wins if the minimum playing requirements have been met specific for that sport.
- Severe weather (unavoidable) – see 12:10.
- In the event that games are cancelled prior to the start OR games are abandoned during the match and before the minimum playing requirements are met, no result will be recorded. The Sport Coordinators will liaise with one another and a rescheduled date will need to be agreed on. The ACC office must be informed of any cancellations and normal reschedule rules will apply.
- In cases where a match was abandoned due to violence/melee incidents involving players, spectators or officials. If it is clear that one team was responsible for the incident and both schools agree on this, then the team at fault will forfeit the match and the non-offending team will be declared the winner. If the schools and officials cannot agree on which team was at fault, then the

match can be rescheduled and normal reschedule rules will apply. In these cases the ACC office can arbitrate if the schools cannot come to an agreement within the Charter rules.

Semi Finals and Grand Finals

Abandoned or incomplete games cannot be rescheduled for Semi and Grand Finals.

- Semi Finals – No team will progress into the Grand Final if abandonment is deemed unavoidable.
 - If one Semi Final is abandoned and the other Semi Final is played, the winning team from this game will be deemed the overall champion and no Grand Final will take place.
 - If a team wins from an incomplete semifinal game, i.e. minimum playing time is met and there is a result, then both Semi Final winners will progress to the Grand Final as per schedule.
- Grand Final – If game is abandoned, due to unavoidable circumstances, without a result or minimal playing time, both teams will be declared the championship winners.

12.8.7 **Finish Time:** all matches should finish on or before the prescribed time to give adequate time for the presentation and the return journey to schools.

12.8.8 Schools MUST ensure that they educate their staff, students & coaches of this late start forfeit rule, to ensure that this rule is implemented in the right spirit.

12.8.9 **Minimum playing time** to constitute a match (Round of 16 forward) (**N/A to ODC pools*)

- Basketball: A minimum of 3 x 12 minute quarters constitute 'full-time' for a game result.
- Soccer: A minimum of 2 x 20 minute halves constitute 'full-time' for a game result.
- Netball: A minimum of 3 x 12 minute quarters constitute 'full-time' for a game result.

12.9 Trophies & Presentations

Immediately after the end of all Grand Final games, a short presentation will follow at each venue. All teams are asked to stay behind for the presentation. If more than one sport is being played at the same venue, all sports present will attend the same presentation.

During this time, the ACC representative or School Principal/Deputy will address the staff and students.

Order of Presentation

ACC Representative/ Principal addresses the schools

Umpire/Referee or Special Guest (State/National player) invited forward to present the MVP award.

MVP student invited forward to accept the award.

ACC Representative/ Principal presents the winning team with the Perpetual ACC Championship Trophy.

The captain will be invited forward to accept the plaque and give a small vote of thanks.

Captain calls forward the members of the winning team. When each name is announced, the students come forward to accept their ACC memento from the ACC Representative/ School Principal.

Presentation concludes.

Photos: Pictures taken will be published on the ACC website and relevant social media accounts.

MVP Criteria- A most valuable player award will be decided by the umpire/referees and awarded at the end of the game. The umpire's decision will be based on the following criteria.

- *A player who demonstrates positive sportsmanship and upholds the ACC motto 'Sport in the Right Spirit'*
- *A player who demonstrates respect for all players and officials*
- *A player who was the best player and had a significant and positive impact on the game*
- *Note: The MVP player does not have to come from the winning team*

12.10 Weather Policy

Hot Weather (severe) (N/A for basketball/netball Semi Finals/Grand Finals – played indoor)

- Both Sports Coordinators contact weather bureau at 11.30am. If the weather conditions are extreme (high temperature & high humidity), schools consult with the other school and make a decision prior to 12:00pm. The ACC are to be made aware of any decision to cancel. Indoor sports should still go ahead.
- Team coaches: Duty of care to students is of paramount importance and individual coaches/managers always have the power to cancel an individual match if they believe that student health and safety is at risk. Where possible coaches should consult one another and agree on the decision made.
- The provision of water is the responsibility of the individual players and the coach. It is recommended schools come prepared in case the venue does not have drink facilities in close proximity to the playing grounds.
- Where possible the following guidelines should be followed when matches are played under hot/humid conditions:

1. Use venues that are indoors or shaded. Outside courts should not be used due to increased radiant heat.
2. Normal sun protection measures (hats/sunscreen) should be strictly followed
3. Reduce match length or period length (must still be in line with the minimum match requirements)
4. Increase player rotation through the bench
5. Provide frequent rest/drink breaks and ensure that rest breaks are in shaded areas.
6. Ensure students drink water BEFORE/DURING/AFTER the match
7. Use common sense in hot/humid conditions and remember that student welfare always comes first.

Wet Weather (severe)

- At 12.00pm (noon), Sports coordinators to consult and if the consensus is a disaster (lightning and hail) then games are cancelled. If doubtful, teams show up and a decision is made at the venue. Winter fixtures should only be cancelled if the weather is severe (lightning/hail/extreme wind) and poses a risk to student wellbeing – rain and wet weather itself is not severe and cause for cancellation. In extremely cold conditions, the coaches may convene and, if agreed, tracksuit tops may be worn, but not bottoms.
 - Current weather forecasts can be obtained at: <http://www.bom.gov.au/weather/wa/>

Cancelled and Abandoned Fixtures – Weather Events

In the event that games are cancelled prior to the start OR games are abandoned during the match and before the minimum playing requirements are met, no result will be recorded. The Sport Coordinators will liaise with one another and a rescheduled date will need to be agreed on. The ACC office must be informed of any cancellations and normal reschedule rules will apply.

Cancelled Fixtures - Due to advance weather advice from external authorities

In some cases of extreme weather events there may be an advance weather warning advisory issued to schools by external authorities such as the Bureau of Meteorology, Catholic Education Office or Department of Education. In these extreme cases schools may be advised to cancel outside activities or to close. Schools would therefore be compelled to cancel sporting activities.

In this case the ACC will liaise with all schools to make a decision about whether rescheduling all matches affected is possible and if so normal rescheduling rules will apply.

NB: This charter clause should not cover standard weather warnings issued by the Bureau of Meteorology and is only to be enacted if there is a clear directive from an external authority to either close schools or cease outside activity.

12.11 First Aid

Each playing venue must have staff in attendance that are qualified to deal with injury. A **staff member** from the school must be responsible for the welfare of any injured student, seeing that they get the appropriate care. If staff, team coaches and managers are not qualified and experienced in first aid then the school should employ an external first aid provider at the venue.

It is highly recommended players wear mouthguards in all contact sports. Each school engaged in fixtures must have access to their own first aid kits. **Appropriate cold therapy (ice/cold packs) should be in all School First Aid kits.**

It is desirable that all schools have a communication system (mobile phones/radios) in place, in the event of an emergency situation.

NB: All open wounds must be covered before players are allowed on the playing field/court.

The ACC will provide professional First Aid officers for Semi Final and Grand Final games only (central venues).

12.12 Country Schools

As part of the ACC spirit of Inclusion and Equity, ACC Country member schools are encouraged to nominate and participate in the ACC Championship. Country schools can participate in the Metro One Day Carnivals for each sport (travelling to Perth for one-day event) or run their own separate regional cluster pool – geographically based with at least four or more schools.

If a country school wins the One Day Carnival and/or the regional playoff pool, they will be granted a “home” game for the initial Round of 16 – Elimination Knockout (Senior/Junior). All other ensuring rounds – Quarter Finals (senior), Semi Finals and Grand Finals will then be held in Perth as per the elimination fixture/bracket structure.

Metro schools that draw to play a country team in the round of 16 knockout must be prepared to travel for the fixture. Where possible, the ACC will annually rotate which metro conference or group is scheduled to play a country team in the initial round of 16.

[Appendix 13.0](#)**ACC CHAMPIONSHIP GROUPS & POOLS *SAMPLE ONLY: (TBC within each sport for 2025)***

ACC SUB-ASSOCIATIONS INVOLVED IN THE ACC CHAMPIONSHIP	
SOUTHERN CONFERENCE	NORTHERN CONFERENCE
<i>SAS SUB ASSOCIATION</i>	<i>NAS SUB ASSOCIATION</i>
Kennedy Baptist College Ursula Frayne Catholic College All Saints' College John Wollaston ACS	Servite College Sacred Heart College Chisholm College John XXIII College Newman College
<i>RKAS SUB ASSOCIATION</i>	<i>CAS SUB ASSOCIATION</i>
Tranby College Kolbe Catholic College Peter Carnley ACS Court Grammar School Living Waters Lutheran College The King's College Mother Teresa Catholic College	Prendiville Catholic College Peter Moyes ACS St Mark's ACS Lake Joondalup Baptist Irene McCormack Catholic College St Stephen's Duncraig St James' AS Mater Dei College
<i>SEAS SUB ASSOCIATION</i>	<i>NEAS SUB ASSOCIATION</i>
Dale Christian School Rehoboth Christian College Southern Hills Christian College Providence Christian College Carey Baptist College Forrestdale	Holy Cross College La Salle College Swan Christian College Helena College Ellenbrook Christian College Swan Valley ACS
	<i>NWAS SUB ASSOCIATION</i>
	Aranmore Catholic College Carmel School Emmanuel Christian School John Septimus Roe ACS Kingsway Christian College Mercy College St George's AGS

ACC WILDCARD POOLS - WEEKLY FIXTURES

SOUTHERN	NORTHERN
<i>Southern Wildcard Pool – SAMPLE ONLY</i>	<i>Northern Wildcard Pool – SAMPLE ONLY</i>
Corpus Christi College St Norbert College CBC Fremantle Seton Catholic College Emmanuel Catholic College	Quinns Baptist College Alkimos Baptist College Mundaring Christian St Stephen's Carramar

ACC ONE DAY CARNIVALS – CENTRAL VENUES

<i>Based on team nominations</i>	<p>Basketball: One Day Carnivals 2025 JNR Metro: Tuesday 4 March SNR Metro: Thursday 6 March South West: Friday 7 March</p> <p>Netball: One Day Carnivals 2025 SNR Metro: Friday 23 May</p> <p>Soccer: One Day Carnivals 2025 SNR Metro: Thurs 22 May</p>
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[Appendix 14.1](#)**[ACC Championship Basketball Junior Boys Bracket 2025 - draft \(TBC\)](#)**

<https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/brackets>

[Appendix 14.2](#)**[ACC Championship Basketball Junior Girls Bracket 2025 - draft \(TBC\)](#)**

<https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/brackets>

[Appendix 14.3](#)**[ACC Championship Basketball Senior Boys Bracket 2025 - draft \(TBC\)](#)**

<https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/brackets>

[Appendix 14.4](#)**[ACC Championship Basketball Senior Girls Bracket 2025 - draft \(TBC\)](#)**

<https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/brackets>

[Appendix 14.5](#)**[ACC Championship Netball Senior Girls Bracket 2025 - draft \(TBC\)](#)**

<https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/brackets>

[Appendix 14.6](#)**[ACC Championship Soccer Senior Girls Bracket 2025 - draft \(TBC\)](#)**

<https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/brackets>

[Appendix 14.7](#)**[ACC Championship Soccer Senior Boys Bracket 2025 - draft \(TBC\)](#)**

<https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/brackets>

[Appendix 15.0](#)

ACC CHAMPIONSHIP KNOCKOUT FORMAT AND RULES: BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL

TIME	4.00pm Start
TEAMS	Teams shall consist of five on court players plus a maximum of seven (7) substitutes. Minimum number of players is five (5) and maximum number of players in a squad is twelve (12).
DRESS	Players are to be dressed in basketball playing uniform with numbered singlets or bibs from 4 to 15. Non-marking shoes are to be worn on courts indoors. Tracksuits are not permitted. <u>Home team</u> is to ensure an alternative set of numbered tops/vests is available in the event of a clash of colour/uniform.
START TIME AND DURATION OF PLAY	Games start at <u>4:00pm</u> . The game must not extend beyond 5:00pm unless otherwise agreed. Games must start no later than <u>4:10pm</u> to record a valid result and meet minimum playing time.
VENUE:	As per ACC Championship Basketball Knockout Schedule/Bracket
COURT:	Regulation basketball court of 28m x 15 metres. All lines should be well marked and court surface safe of any hazards.
PERIODS OF PLAY	Games are to consist of four (4) x twelve (12) minute quarters – <u>running clock</u> , with a 2 minute break at the end of the first and third quarters. A half time interval of no more than 8 minutes . (60 minute game cycle) Minimum playing requirement: three (3) x twelve (12) minute quarters constitutes 'full-time' for a game result. GRAND FINALS: four (4) x ten (10) minute quarters – <u>fully timed games</u> , 2 minute break at the end of the first and third quarters. A 5 minute break for half time.
RULES/GENERAL PLAY:	Rules are in accordance with Basketball Australia junior rules, unless stated otherwise in this Charter. Normal scoring rules apply. 3-point rule will apply.
TIME-OUTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each team may be granted 2 time-outs per half game • the time-out is not permitted when the game clock shows 3 minutes or less per quarter (not relevant in fully timed grand finals) • No time-out during overtime
TEAM FOULS	Each team is allowed 4 fouls per quarter before the two shot penalty is applied. Players are allowed 5 fouls per game. Once a player has 5 fouls, they are unable to participate in the remainder of the game.
INTERCHANGE	Substitutions are to be made via the referee.
TIMEKEEPERS/ SCORERS:	Timekeepers and Scorers supplied by both schools and will sit together (central scoring bench). Each team to bring a timer. When available a central timing system will be used. <u>Games are not fully timed (except for the Grand Final).</u>
SCORECARDS	Scorecards are to be signed by the referees and captains or coaches at the conclusion of the fixture and given to the ACC official present. It is assumed that scoring discrepancies are settled immediately at the conclusion of the fixture and the results given to the ACC are final. If there is no ACC representative at the game, the winning team must take possession of the official score card and send the results through to the ACC office. Both schools must confirm the results of the match with the ACC within 24 hours
EQUIPMENT	Each team is to supply a quality game basketball. Size 7 – Senior Boys and Junior Boys Size 6 – Senior Girls and Junior Girls It is highly recommended that all players wear mouth guards. School responsibility.
EXTRA TIME	If scores are tied at full time, then five minutes extra time is to be played to gain a result. No timeouts permitted during extra time. If scores are still tied following extra time, the game time will continue until one team achieves a “golden” two (2) point advantage e.g. 32-30.
REFEREES	Schools will provide one qualified referee each for the Round of 16 and Quarter Final rounds. The ACC will supply two referees per game for the Semi Final and Grand Final games.
PRESENTATIONS	This will be following the Grand Final games only. Allow approx. 10 minutes
PRESENTER OF MEDALLIONS	Basketball WA representative and/or the Principal or a representative from the Schools in the Final. ACC representative will also be present for the Presentations.
FIRST AID	Both schools to bring their own personal first aid kits. Home schools to have at least one qualified first aid person at the venue for Round of 16 and Quarterfinals. ACC will provide first aid personnel at semifinal and grand final central venues.

Appendix 16.0**ACC CHAMPIONSHIP KNOCKOUT FORMAT AND RULES: GIRLS AND BOYS NETBALL**

TIME:	4.00pm Start
TEAMS:	Teams shall consist of seven on court players plus a maximum of five (5) interchange. Minimum number of players is seven (7). In the spirit of the competition, teams must be made up of members who have played in the team throughout the season. ODC teams – squad sizes increased to 12 players due to the extra physical demand (full day)
DRESS:	Players are to wear school netball uniform with clearly defined positional letters. Schools may wear sports uniform (which may include shorts if they are an official part of the sanctioned uniform of that school) and lettered bibs. Tracksuits are not permitted. <u>Home team</u> is to ensure an alternative set of bibs is available in the event of a clash of colour/uniform.
START TIME AND DURATION OF PLAY:	Games start at <u>4:00pm</u> . The game must not extend beyond 5:00pm unless otherwise agreed. Games must start no later than <u>4:10pm</u> to record a valid result.
VENUE:	As per ACC Championship Netball Knockout Schedule/Bracket
COURT:	Regulation netball court. Recommended 30.5m x 15m. All lines should be well marked and court surface safe of any hazards. Goal post padding MUST be used at all times.
PERIODS OF PLAY:	Games are to consist of four (4) x twelve (12) minute quarters with a 3 minute break for quarter time and a 5 minute break for half time. Minimum playing requirement: three (3) x twelve (12) minute quarters constitutes 'full-time' for a game result.
RULES/GENERAL PLAY:	Rules are in accordance Netball Australia junior rules unless stated otherwise in this Charter.
INTERCHANGE:	Are to be made through the umpire and can only be made at the end of each quarter. Players may be interchanged when injured. Interchange rules are applied to support the philosophy of participation.
TIMEKEEPERS/ SCORERS:	Timekeepers and Scorers supplied by both schools and will sit together (central scoring bench). Each team to bring a timer. When available a central timing system will be used.
SCORECARDS:	Scorecards are to be signed by the umpires and captains or coaches at the conclusion of the fixture and given to the ACC official present. It is assumed that scoring discrepancies are settled immediately at the conclusion of the fixture and the results given to the ACC are final. If there is no ACC representative at the game, the winning team must take possession of the official score card and send the results through to the ACC office. Both schools must confirm the results of the match with the ACC within 24 hours
EQUIPMENT:	Each team is to supply a quality game netball. Size 5 – Senior Girls / Senior Boys It is highly recommended that all players wear mouth guards.
EXTRA TIME:	If scores are tied at full time, teams will swap ends and then five minutes extra time is to be played to gain a result (no half time change over). If scores are still tied following extra time, the game time will continue until one team achieves a “golden” two (2) goal advantage e.g. 32-30.
UMPIRES:	Each school will provide one umpire each for the Round of 16 and Quarter Final knockout rounds. All netball umpires used by schools should be “C” Badge level and accredited. The ACC will supply two accredited umpires per match for the Semi Finals and Grand Final.
PRESENTATIONS:	This will occur at the Semi Final & Grand Final games only. Allow approx. 10 minutes
PRESENTER OF MEDALLIONS: (GF ONLY)	A representative from West Coast Fever or Netball WA, or, a school Principal or representatives from the schools in the final. A representative from the ACC will also be present for the Presentations.
FIRST AID:	Both schools to bring their own personal first aid kits. Home schools to have at least one qualified first aid person at the venue for Round of 16 and Quarterfinals. ACC will provide first aid personnel at semifinal and grand final central venues.

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ACC CHAMPIONSHIP KNOCKOUT FORMAT AND RULES: BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER

TIME:	4.00pm Start
TEAMS:	Teams shall consist of eleven on field players plus a maximum of seven (7) substitutes. Minimum number of players is eleven (11). In the spirit of the competition, teams must be made up of members who have played in the team throughout the season or One Day Carnival. ODC teams – squad sizes increased to 18 players due to the extra physical demand (full day)
DRESS:	Players are dressed in uniform soccer tops, shorts and socks. Numbered playing shirts should be made available to players. Goalkeepers only are allowed to wear tracksuits. <u>Home team</u> is to ensure an alternative set of tops/vests is available in the event of a clash of colour/uniform.
START TIME AND DURATION OF PLAY:	Games start at <u>4:00pm</u> . The game must not extend beyond 5:00pm unless otherwise agreed. Games must start no later than <u>4:10pm</u> to record a valid result
VENUE:	As per ACC Championship Soccer Elimination Bracket
FIELD:	Full size, regulation soccer field. Recommendation Approx.90-100m x 60-70m. <u>Home team</u> is to ensure that the soccer field is safe and adequately prepared. Fields marked with clear lines, goals are to have appropriate nets correctly attached and corner flags shall be set in position prior to the start of play.
PERIODS OF PLAY:	Games to consist of 2 x 25 minute halves. 5 minute break for half time. Minimum playing requirements: 20 minutes per half constitutes 'full-time' for a game result.
TIME OUT:	Time out taken due to injury and interchange shall be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary Rounds: NOT added on after each half • Elimination Stage and beyond: ADDED on after each half.
RULES/GENERAL PLAY:	Rules are in accordance with Football Federation Australia junior rules, unless stated otherwise in this Charter. Normal scoring rules will apply.
INTERCHANGE:	Substitutes must be made through the central referee. Substitution rules are to apply to support the philosophy of participation and as such unlimited substitutions up until the last five (5) minutes of the second half may be made. If a player is deemed seriously injured in the final 5 minutes, the referee will allow substitution under these circumstances.
TIMEKEEPERS/ SCORERS:	Central Referee will keep time and scores for the match.
SCORECARDS:	Scorecards are to be signed by the referees and captains or coaches at the conclusion of the match and given to the ACC official present. It is assumed that scoring discrepancies are settled immediately at the conclusion of the fixture and the results given to the ACC are final. If there is no ACC representative at the game, the winning team must take possession of the official score card and send the results through to the ACC office. Both schools must confirm the results of the match with the ACC within 24 hours
EQUIPMENT:	Each team is to supply a quality FIFA approved soccer ball. Size 5 – Senior Boys and Girls It is <u>compulsory that all players wear shin guards at all times</u> . The central referee has the ability to stop play or delay play until players have appropriate shin guard protection. It is highly recommended that all players also wear mouth guards.
EXTRA TIME/PENALTIES:	No extra time will take place in soccer. If scores are still tied at full time, a penalty shootout will take place. Each team will take five (5) penalties in alternating order. Should the game still be a draw after these penalties, a sudden death penalty shootout will apply until a winner is defined e.g. kick for kick penalty.
REFEREES:	Home school will provide one central referee for the preliminary rounds, elimination round of 16 and Quarter Final rounds. The ACC will supply one central referee per match for the Semi Finals and Grand Final.
SIDELINE REFEREES	Each participating team is to provide a sideline referee. The sideline referee cannot be the coach or manager of a team and should not be a substitution player. A neutral qualified referee with a clear understanding of soccer and offside rulings is preferred. Sideline referees must wear a shirt/vest that does not conflict with the playing uniforms.
PRESENTATIONS:	This will be following the Grand Finals games only. Allow approx. 10 minutes
PRESENTER OF MEDALLIONS:	Football West Representative, or, The Principal or a representative from the schools in the Final. ACC representative will also be present for the Presentations.
FIRST AID:	Both schools to bring their own personal first aid kits. Home school to have at least one qualified first aid person at the venue for round of 16 and quarterfinals. ACC will provide first aid personnel at semifinals and grand finals (central venues).

Appendix 18.0**TO "ACC Championship Knockouts"****INSTRUCTIONS TO UMPIRES/REFEREES****Prior to Game**

- Ensure both teams have timekeepers, timing pieces, scorecards and pens, and that they are located in close proximity to one another.
- Inspect the field of play and ensure it is regulation size, safe and has the required lines, goals/nets/posts/padding.
- Meet both teams in the Centre of playing ground. Line up opposite each other and shake hands.
- Briefly explain specific rules of note. Length of play as stated in the Championship charter and procedure for tied matches.
- Conduct toss of coin or an appropriate action for direction of play.
- In case of inclement weather conduct the 'prior to game' instructions in the most practical and convenient manner possible.

The Game

- To enforce the rules of the game and maintain control of the game at all times.
- To encourage a sense of discipline and cooperation whilst the game is in progress.
- Check the official score at each break to ensure both teams agree on the result.
- In grand finals, note players worthy of the MVP and decide on winner immediately post-match.
- **On ground procedures.**
 - Send off rules & procedures will be as per current State Association rules for Junior/School Matches up to 18 years of age.
 - *Stop the game – if there is a serious incident that could affect the wellbeing of the players i.e. weather event, injury/illness, and violence/melee.*

Bring all the players to a central point. Briefly discuss the reason for the abandonment.
 - *During a Break*

Send Offs: Explain the reason for the send off to the coach/manager and player at the first convenient break.
Inappropriate Behaviour: if player (s) on a team are behaving in an inappropriate and unsportsmanlike manner, then speak to the coach at the break about the behaviour.

Post-Game

- Direct 3 cheers to each team.
- Check and sign scorecards and note MVP player on the scorecard for grand finals
- Ensure both scorecards agree to the same score.

NB: The coach is the key to a team's behaviour on and off the field.

Appendix 19.0

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WORKING WITH CHILDREN LEGISLATION

Working With Children – Legislation

From 1 January 2006 the State Government introduced legislation requiring certain people working with children in WA to undergo a "Working with Children Check" (WWC). The WWC is compulsory under government legislation and ACC schools have to comply with this legislation. In 2008 the legislation will affect people working with children aged between 13-17 years. Persons deemed to be working with children are any volunteers, employees or contractors (over 18 years of age) who in their usual duties are likely to have contact with children. Contact includes any form of physical contact, oral communication and electronic communication.

People may also be exempt from the legislation if they are a:

- volunteer under 18 years of age
- volunteer who is a parent of a child at an ACC school
- volunteer (over 18 years of age) that has worked with children on no more than five calendar days in a year.

For the purposes of these guidelines, persons deemed to be volunteers are those that are engaged in child-related work for, but are not employed by, the school. The term volunteer is not defined in the legislation. Volunteers that are being "reimbursed" for out of pocket expenses such as travel/uniform are still regarded as volunteers and not employees. However, volunteers that receive payments as a "reward" and not a "reimbursement" may be considered as employees and not volunteers. Schools will have to make their own "common sense" decision when determining the status of persons as volunteers or employees. In cases where a volunteer has received a very minimal payment then the school may consider them as a volunteer. In most cases an employee is someone that has received a wage/payment and has signed a contract of employment.

Schools involved in sub-association sport are required to comply with the legislation. Schools must ensure that all coaches, officials and bus drivers that will have contact with children at sporting events (whether they are paid or volunteers) have undergone a working with children check and hold a valid WWC card number (excluding those covered under exemptions above). To comply with the legislation you will have to keep records to ensure that people working at your sporting events have their WWC ID in order.

WWC records can be recorded in a simple format using the following example:

POSITION	NAME	VOLUNTEER/PAID	EXEMPT? – WHY	WWC CARD NUMBER
Sports Trainer	John Brown	Paid	No	123456
Basketball ref	Sue Brown	Volunteer	Yes – parent of David Brown	Not required
Bus Driver	Rob Jones	Paid	No	123455

For more information:

ACC Guidelines: <http://www.accsport.asn.au/acc-information/policies>

WWC website at: www.checkwwc.wa.gov.au

Appendix 20***TO "ACC Championship Knockouts"
CODES OF BEHAVIOUR******Associated and Catholic Colleges of Western Australia***

The ACC strives to encourage and support all Schools in the running of their Sub Association competition, under the maxim 'Sport in the right Spirit'.

Sport can positively influence a young person's value of physical fitness and a sense of self-worth. This can take place through the opportunity to develop and build personal characteristics such as determination, self-discipline, obedience and team work.

Good sportsmanship is an integral part of all that is best in sport. It includes a generous spirit, true respect for others, graciousness and an ability to resist the temptation of gaining an unfair advantage. Good sportsmanship is an honorable behavior and a valuable life skill both on and off the playing field.

Codes of Behaviour

The following guidelines have been developed to assist everyone involved in ACC sport to promote worthy competition and clearly outline what is deemed acceptable behaviour.

Everyone involved in ACC fixtures such as officials, players, coaches and spectators are required to adhere to these codes.

(ACC Codes of Behaviour have been adopted from the "Aussie Sport – Codes of Behaviour", produced by the Australian Sports Commission and The PSA Code of Behaviour for Sport from the Public Schools' Association of Western Australia)

<https://www.accsport.asn.au/interschool-sport/acc-championship/codes-conduct>