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The Elite Athlete Program at MacKillop Catholic College supports students competing at high levels of sport, recognising the significant time demands they face. Through flexible learning options, the program enables students to pursue both academic and sporting excellence.

Applications can be submitted by parents/carers. The College reviews applications and may request more information. If accepted, students are placed in an appropriate program level, with offers reviewed annually.

The College may withdraw the offer at any time for the following reasons:

- College or CSBB policies are breached
- The student displays inconsistent commitment to studies
- The student displays inconsistent or poor behaviour
- The student displays inconsistent attendance e.g. unapproved leave
- The student displays inconsistent commitment to their sport



Eligibility

All Applicants must:

- ❷ Be a current MacKillop student.
- Have achieved proven selection for their nominated sport at State, National or International level. E.g. a letter from the sporting organisation or confirmation of entry into an elite sport event.

Obligations

Students will be expected to:

- Be committed to participate in the MacKillop sports program and attend carnivals.
- Maintain communication with the Elite Athlete Program mentor.
- Demonstrate commitment to learning.
- Demonstrate a commitment to the College expectations and involvement in the College community.
- Represent the College and in their chosen sport modelling positive behaviour and conduct.

Parents will be expected to:

- ✓ To communicate their child's sporting commitments to your child's mentor.
- Support their child to meet their academic requirements.
- Support the promotion of their child's sporting achievements through College Social Media channels.
- Monitor the wellbeing on their child and report any variations to the College mentor.

MacKillop will be expected to:

- ❷ Maintain communication with students, parents and other MacKillop Staff.
- Provide access to academic, wellbeing and careers support for the student.
- Create an online profile for the student on College Social Media channels to promote the student's sporting achievements.

Elite Athlete Program Provisions

There are two levels of provisions which may be available to students accepted to the Elite Athlete Program, as detailed below. Such provisions may be adjusted throughout the year as a response to the changing needs of the student. Places are capped for the Elite Athlete Program.





National or International Representation

Criteria

Students are engaged in their field at National or International level. This is in addition to any MCC commitment they may have.

Elite Athlete Program Academic & Wellbeing Mentor

A school-based mentor will be appointed to provide support, advice and guidance to the students. They will meet with students to assist them with balancing their study and sport commitments.

The Mentor will:

- Act as a communication conduit between the student, parents/carers and significant MCC staff.
- Support the development of the student's time management and self-management skills.

Customised Elite Athlete Support Plan (EASP)

An EASP provides flexibility for students to meet both their sport and curriculum commitments through curriculum accommodations.

Support plan accommodations may include but are not limited to:

May continue to elect to study a full academic program, or Year 5 to 12 Students May have adjustments made around curriculum requirements

(content, attendance, assessment).

Future Pathways Advice Mr Gasparotto - Leader of Learning & Teaching Careers & Scholarships

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Students are engaged in their field at an academy level. This includes students who represent Central Coast, Newcastle or Sydney and are aspiring to State, National and International representation. Examples include Central Coast Mariners, Newcastle Jets, etc. This is an addition to any MCC sporting commitments.

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All MCC Elite Athlete Program applicants must:

- Step 1 Complete an online Application HERE.
- Step 2 Complete a CSBB Exemption from School Form HERE.
- **Step 3** Obtain proven selection for nominated sport at State, National or International level.
- **Step 4** Email form from Step 2 and supporting documentation from Step 3 to Alex Walters alex.walters@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Confirmation of your acceptance into the MacKillop Elite Athlete Program will be emailed to the nominated parent/carer from Mrs Alex Walters. This confirmation will include the name of the mentor.





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