APPLICATION

St Francis de Sales College
Specialist Sport Program

Years 8, 9 and Stage 1
2017
Basketball and Soccer
Information for Prospective Athletes

The Basketball and Soccer Academies at St Francis de Sales College have been established to assist talented student athletes to achieve at the highest levels of performance in Basketball and Soccer and to help develop their educational, emotional and social wellbeing. The program also provides structures and processes to support students accessing a range of post College options.

Dependent upon the specific requirements of each Academy’s program, the aims are to provide student athletes access to:

- A flexible supportive and ‘athlete friendly’ academic environment. The academic program covers essential learning in English, Mathematics, Studies of Society and Environment (SOSE), Science, Health and Physical Education, Technology and Arts
- Quality coaching in future facilities at the school or in the community
- Competition and training opportunities matched to the athlete’s development and potential
- Sports Science services such as Fitness Testing, Performance Analysis, Sports Psychology and Injury Prevention and Management
- Work Experience and Career Education support and planning
- An extensive Personal Development program specific to the student athlete

Dependent upon the specific requirements of each Academy’s program, students will have the opportunity to:

- Complete appropriate coaching and officiating qualifications
- Complete Certificate 2 in Sport and Recreation
- Complete their Senior First Aid Certificate
- Obtain units in Certificate 3 in Sport and Recreation
- Complete Stage 1 Integrated Studies (Basketball only)

Support will be provided to assist student athletes to balance their demanding schedules and achieve success at College as well as in their personal and sporting lives.

Criteria for Selection

The selection of students into the program is based upon their ability to meet the following criteria:

- Provide a positive role model for others in their approach to learning, school rules and behaviour
- High level of ability and performance in both a training and competitive environment
- Positive and enthusiastic attitude to support their personal development
- High potential for future development and growth in their identified sport
- High level of coachability that enables all individuals to seek and accept a variety of feedback
- High level of ability to improve their skills and knowledge in all aspects of their schooling
- Must play/compete for a peak body affiliated club (Basketball) or AHJSA/FFSA affiliated club (Soccer)

Conditions of the Enrolment

By accepting an offer for a position in the St Francis de Sales College Specialist Sport Program, a student and parent/s must agree to the following terms and conditions:

- Demonstrate a willingness, desire and commitment to developing their own skills and knowledge within their sport(s)
- Complete all required theory work and tasks thoroughly and on time
- Be prepared for each lesson with appropriate Specialist Sport Program uniform, footwear and safety equipment for their sport in addition to all theory requirements.
- Continually strive to improve their skills and knowledge in all aspects of their schooling
• Provide a positive role model for others in their approach to learning, school rules and behavior
• Be active participants in Sports Day (minimum of 5 events)
• Be available to represent the College in their major sport(s) and other sporting events the College offers e.g. Interschool Athletics
• Abide by the spirit and rules of their sport(s), behave in a dignified manner when representing St Francis de Sales College and accept victory and defeat with dignity and grace
• Maintain a minimum of ‘C’ grade in all subjects
• Participate in sporting exchanges with the Hills and other Regions during St Francis de Sales hosted events.

Funding for Student Athletes (dependent upon availability)
Acceptance into the St Francis de Sales College Specialist Sport Program in a particular year means that a student has been granted significant extra funding by St Francis de Sales College to cover specialist sport training sessions, venue hire costs, transport to and from training, access to Sport Science services including Fitness Advisors, Performance Analysts, Physiotherapist screening, Sports Psychology advice and diet/nutrition staff.

Annual Fees (Basketball Only)
As participation in the St Francis de Sales College Specialist Sport Program is voluntary, not all costs will be covered within the budget. An annual fee is set by the St Francis de Sales College Board and contributes to costs associated with the program covering items such as excursions, guest speakers, celebrations, coaches and equipment use. Some excursions will incur additional costs, especially where accommodation and transport are required. Parents will be given advanced notice of major excursions to assist with planning and budgeting. The fee is as per the College Fee Policy and this amount will be reviewed annually with parents being informed of any likely changes.

Annual Fees (Soccer Only)
As participation in the St Francis de Sales College Specialist Sport Program is voluntary, not all costs will be covered within the budget. Contribution to costs may be required to cover costs associated with the program covering items such as excursions, guest speakers, celebrations, coaches and equipment use. Some excursions will incur additional costs, especially where accommodation and transport may be required. Parents will be given advanced notice of major excursions to assist with planning and budgeting. The fee is as per the College Fee Policy and this amount will be reviewed annually with parents being informed of any likely changes.

Billeting (Basketball Only)
A major component of our program is to provide students with the opportunity to be involved in exchanges and overnight excursions with other schools. These exchanges/excursions could include billeting.

Billeting provides students with the opportunity to foster close relationships with other student athlete families with similar interests and also helps to reduce costs of these events. We ask if you are prepared to billet student athletes from other schools, that each family member (15 years and older) at your son/daughter address, complete the Catholic Police Clearance form. A staff member at St Francis de Sales College can complete the 100 point verification with you, submit the forms and pay for any associated costs. An induction for the family will also be a requirement.

You may wish to consider billeting for longer term students from other areas, who will be studying at St Francis de Sales College for 4 of the 5 days during term time only. Home Stay provides a safe and secure environment where the student is included as part of the family. Some of the expectations are:

• Safe, clean and orderly house
• Student to preferably have their own room
• Desk and wardrobe space

Students may only require boarding from Monday after school to Thursday morning as many students may go home for other sporting commitments on the weekend.

Application Process

1. Please complete the attached Specialist Sport Program Athlete Application.

2. Attach photocopies of all school reports from 2015 and 2016 plus the most recent NAPLAN report. The student applicant or family should submit ALL this documentation with their athlete application.

3. Complete the Catholic Police Check Clearance form for the purpose of billeting for exchanges and submit along with the athlete application. (Basketball only)

4. Remove pages 1-4 (Cover and Information pages) before submitting application.

5. Ask a Coach who has coached your child at the highest level to complete the Confidential Reference (page 11) and return it separately to the College.

6. Submit the Athlete Application before the due date (refer College website). Please note that the Coach’s Confidential Reference is also due at this time.

7. The Athlete Application is thoroughly reviewed to gauge whether the student meets the criteria for the program. A key aim is to ensure the balance between academic achievement and sporting excellence can be achieved. Academic records for the previous two years are reviewed with particular attention given to student’s conduct, effort and participation comments.

8. Selection trials: The panel may attend a game that the applicant will be involved in.

9. If successful at review of academic reports and selection trial, a school based interview will be required.

10. Students are notified by letter as to whether their application was successful or not.

11. IMPORTANT: Progressive and Annual Reviews. Acceptance into the St Francis de Sales College Specialist Sport Program at a particular Year Level does not lead to automatic acceptance in the following year. Student progress and achievement is reviewed throughout the year and requires the student to consistently satisfy conduct, academic and sporting criteria.

Please retain this information page for your reference, do not include this page when you submit the application.
Specialist Sport Program

SURNAME: ______________________  GIVEN NAMES: ______________________

DATE OF BIRTH: ___/___/____  GENDER: MALE ☐  FEMALE ☐

ADDRESS: ______________________________  SUBURB: ______________________  P/CODE____

HOME PHONE: ______________________  STUDENT MOBILE: ______________________

STUDENT EMAIL: ______________________

CURRENT SCHOOL: YEAR LEVEL: ___________

Please list in order of priority the sports that you would like to do as part of the St Francis de Sales College Specialist Sport Program.

You must only list the sports that you believe you meet the criteria for

PRIORITY 1: ______________________________________________________________

PRIORITY 2: ______________________________________________________________

MOTHER’S/GUARDIAN’S NAME: _____________________________________________

ADDRESS: ______________________________  SUBURB: ______________________  P/CODE:____

HM PHONE: ______________________  WK PHONE: ___________  MOBILE: ___________

MOTHER’S/GUARDIAN’S MAIL: _____________________________________________

FATHER’S/GUARDIAN’S NAME: ______________________________________________

ADDRESS: ______________________________  SUBURB: ______________________  P/CODE:____

HM PHONE: ______________________  WK PHONE: ___________  MOBILE: ___________

FATHER’S/GUARDIAN’S EMAIL: ______________________________________________
EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: ____________________________________________________________

RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: _________________________________________________________

HM PHONE: ______________________ WK PHONE:__________________ MOBILE:______________

PREFERRED EMAIL FOR SPECIALIST SPORT NOTIFICATIONS/MESSAGES:
_______________________________________________________________________________

PREFERRED MOBILE FOR SPECIALIST SPORT SMS MESSAGES:
_______________________________________________________________________________

BILLETING (Basketball only)

I AM PREPARED TO BILLET OTHER STUDENT ATHLETES       YES ☐       NO ☐

IF YES, HOW MANY STUDENT ATHLETES ARE YOU PREPARED TO BILLET: ______________________

SHORT VISIT/EXCHANGES: _______________4 DAYS EACH WEEK DURING TERM: _______________

SIBLINGS

SIBLING NAME:  ____________________________     CURRENT YEAR LEVEL: _______________

CURRENT SCHOOL:  ___________________________________________________________________ 

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SIBLING NAME:  ____________________________     CURRENT YEAR LEVEL: _______________

CURRENT SCHOOL:  ___________________________________________________________________ 


Sporting Details

Sport: ___________________________________________
Club: ___________________________________________

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Club: ___________________________________________

Representation (indicate present or latest team selection)

National: __________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________
State: _____________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________
Club: _____________________________________________________________________________
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History of Personal Performance: Detail the last three (3) years of your performance in the particular sport/s for which entry to St Francis de Sales College is being sought. Include where possible, details of placing, venue, date, awards or other levels of performance. (Please attach additional documentation if applicable)

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Current Level of Performance: Detail your best performance in the last twelve (12) months including dates and places

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Name of Current Coach/es: __________________________________________________________

Injuries: Give details of any serious injuries, surgery or treatments (year, duration of injury etc.)

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Sporting Goals

Indicate briefly what future goals you have in your sporting career.

IMMEDIATE (this year)

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MEDIUM TERM (3 years)

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LONG TERM (5-10 years)

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Academic Goals (this includes subjects for improvement and future academic studies)

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Career Goals

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Please outline why you wish to enrol in the St Francis de Sales College Specialist Sport Program:

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List your personal skills and abilities: (these can be personal, academic, sporting or other)

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What are your main interests?

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List the achievements that you are most proud of: (these may be positions of responsibilities you have held or awards you have earned etc.)

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Outline the training schedule you are currently doing for your sport: (include days, hours etc.)

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Referees

List two referees (other than the person filling in your coaching reference) who could speak about your academic, personal or sporting skills and abilities from within the last 2 years:

1. NAME: ______________________ ACADEMIC ROLE: __________________ PHONE: ___________

2. NAME: ______________________ SPORT ROLE: __________________ PHONE: ___________

Student and Parent Signatures

I………………………………………………………………(Parent/Guardian) agree to support my child to meet the expectations of the St Francis de Sales Specialist Sport Program.

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Student Signature       Parent /Guardian Signature       Date
Educational/Vocational Details

SCHOOL REPORTS
Please attach photocopies of all school reports (end of term plus semester reports) from 2015 and 2016.

NAPLAN (Years 7 and 9 ONLY)
Please attach photocopy of most recent NAPLAN report.

CHECKLIST

Please ensure that:

- You have removed pages 1-4 of this document (cover and information pages)
- Student and Parent/Guardian have signed the completed application
- You have given your current Coach the Confidential Reference (last page of application) and asked him/her to complete it and return it to the College BY THE DUE DATE
- You have attached copies of school reports from 2015 and 2016 plus the most recent NAPLAN report

The Coordinator at St Francis de Sales College is available to discuss your application and answer any questions regarding it. Completed applications should be returned to:

Mr Mark Billington (Basketball)      Mr Alex Field (Soccer)
Specialist Sport Program
St Francis de Sales College
8 Dutton Road
Mount Barker SA 5251
Tel: (08) 83931000 Fax: (08) 83931040
Email: info@stfrancis.catholic.edu.au
Name of Coach: __________________________________________________

Position Held: __________________________________________________

Contact No. (Office hours):_________________________________________

Present Club/Training Venue: _______________________________________

**Student**

Last Name: _____________________________ Given Names: _____________________________

Position within team: ____________________________

**Strengths:**

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**Weaknesses:**

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**Training Commitment:**

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**Coachability:**

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**Attitude/Sportsmanship:**

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