

HEATHFIELD VOLLEYBALL

HEATHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Players,

We are coming to the time of the year where we are looking towards selecting training squads for the Honours teams in preparation for State Cup and eventually Australian Volleyball Schools Cup.

It is the expectation that every player should be aiming to play in the Honours team of their age group, however the realisation is that only a maximum of 10 players will make it. The SIV staff feels that there is a need to communicate the expectations and selection criteria for those players who make the Honours division.

Selection for the Honours division is as follows:

1. The needs of the Heathfield Volleyball **Squad** in order to maximise our ability to be successful
2. The needs of the **team** - setters, balance, defenders, encouragers, guts and determination, middles and pass hitters.
3. The needs of the **players**. ie role, year levels, ability to be comfortable in the team.

Other factors taken into account:

- Statistical effectiveness of the player in State, Junior League, Warrnambool, Goldball, Norwood Challenge, Riverland Tour Class (points won v's points lost)
- Consistency of the player in match situations and in particular, pressure situations.
- Attitude, professionalism, reliability, coachability, ability to concentrate, punctuality and trustworthiness.

The second point that we would like to clarify is the expectations around court time.

ALL players have had the same opportunities during the year in terms of training opportunities. Some have used them well, some have not. We now go to enter State Cup and National Schools Cup to see how good we are and to see how good they are.

The first reality is that

- some players do more than others at trainings
- some are more professional than others
- some work harder than others
- some are better than others
- some are keener, more desperate and concentrate harder
- some players, just want it more

The second reality is:

In the Honour Divisions the emphasis is very much on getting the best results possible. Players have been selected for specific roles within the team, some of these roles may not involve the same amount of court time as others but are extremely valuable in the structure of the team.

In the other divisions coaches endeavour to give all players relatively equal court time but will depend on the roles that they play in the team. If the crunch comes in a match the coach is expected to use the players who are at that stage doing the job. If they are on the bench then they are expected to be positive and supportive and are still able to contribute to the success of the team.

Please understand that unexplained absences from trainings in the lead up to State Cup and National Schools Cup may affect the team that you are in and influence the amount of court time they receive.

We are asking as a demonstration of understanding of the information presented above that both the parents and players sign and return the slip below. None of the information is new, it has been imported from the players handbook and State Cup information.

If there are any questions please don't hesitate to email.

Regards,



Ross Wall
Responsible Living Coordinator



Stuart Scott
Program Manager



Amanda Baldock
Acting Principal

I have read and understand the information regarding Honours team selection and court time. By signing this document I am agreeing to play and train under these expectations.

Player Name:

Parent: _____

Player: _____

Date: _____