

## **Terms of Reference: After hours basketball program at SDPS**

**May 2017**

**Background:** The Health and Physical Education teacher facilitates after hours basketball teams, who train on school grounds after school and play locally on weekends. The basketball initiative requires assistance from parents, but these parents do not have duty of care for students in the absence of a qualified teacher. Given the program runs on school grounds after hours, with SDPS students, it is reasonable that a qualified teacher manages behaviour, team selection and all aspects of management relevant to the functioning of the teams competing in the weekend competitions.

It is reasonable given the context of the initiative, that The East Perth District Codes of Conduct be applied to the program. The Codes of Conduct cover all players, parents and participants of the program.

***Any parent in direct contact with students must have a current Working with Children Check. Proof of current and WWCC will be held at the SDPS administration building.***

### **The overarching Framework forming the basis for a Terms of Reference is outlined below.**

- The after-hours basketball program at SDPS requires a code of conduct for all participants at all levels.
- The codes of conduct will be based around the East Perth District Basketball codes of conduct.
- The codes of conduct need to be publicly available on the school's website.
- The codes of conduct include reference to the four core values of the school and the expectations associated with student behaviour (Respect, Responsibility, Commitment and Citizenship).
- All parents who assist with the program require a copy of this 'Terms of Reference'.
- All other adults assisting with the after-hours program require a copy of this 'Terms of Reference'.
- If the Lead Teacher (PE) is unavailable, the after-hours training program cannot run, unless another qualified teacher with knowledge of SDPS students commits to the role in their absence.
- Parents are not expected to manage student behaviour; this is the role of the Lead Teacher or his stand in. The same expectations of behaviour apply in the after school program, as during the school day.
- Reasonable time is to be given to parents in the event of cancellation of the after-hours training.

- Parents are expected to communicate in a timely manner with the PE Teacher, if their child is unable to attend a training session or compete in the weekend game.
- Students must be released directly to the care of their parent/carer following training.
- The Lead Teacher must make contact with parents if students are not collected on time following training.
- Parents will provide a point of contact/reference for weekend games. Players will be notified who is their point of reference before each game.
- Each team must provide a volunteer to assist with management each week.
- Each team must provide volunteers to score the games and to wash the basketball jerseys each week.
- Basketball fees need to be paid before Week 3 of each season. Students will be unable to play unless they are financial.

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Appendix A – Letter to Parents

Appendix B – Codes of Conduct

Appendix C – SDPS Core Values

Appendix D – Terms of Reference

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