



1. The nine member schools will be known as the Associated Grammar Schools of Victoria: Assumption College, Camberwell Grammar School, Ivanhoe Grammar School, Marcellin College, Mentone Grammar, Penleigh & Essendon Grammar School, Peninsula Grammar, Trinity Grammar School and Yarra Valley Grammar.
2. All nine member schools are involved in the AGSV Sporting program including Athletics, Swimming and Cross Country. Six co-educational member schools (Assumption College, Ivanhoe Grammar School, Mentone Grammar, Penleigh & Essendon Grammar School, Peninsula Grammar and Yarra Valley Grammar) compete in the AGSV/APS Sporting program, shared with the Associated Public Schools (APS) under the title of AGSV/APS Summer and Winter Sport.
3. Details of sporting arrangements will be determined by the Sports Coordinators' Committee. This committee consists of a Boys Sports Coordinator from each of the nine schools and a Girls Sports Coordinator from each of the six co-educational schools, with an Honorary Chairman and an Executive Officer appointed by the Heads Association. No resolution or decision of this Committee will be binding unless approved by a meeting of the Heads of the above listed schools.

The Committee will meet as a single entity for joint issues, but gender specific items will be addressed at separate meetings of the Boys' and Girls' Sports Coordinators. The Girls' Sports Coordinators also attend meetings each term with the APS Girls' Sport Delegates in order to make arrangements for their joint sporting seasons.

4. At all meetings of the above Committee (or its sub groups) it is expected that schools will be fully represented. Meetings will be held at least once per term provided that emergency meetings may be called by the Executive Officer after consultation with the Chairman.
- 5 a) In the event of serious problems arising during the conduct of any inter-school match, a Head (or a representative) should be prepared to take appropriate action either at the time or subsequently. Such action may include the termination of the match.
- b) Any disputes or claims arising out of any contravention of any Regulations governing sporting contests or charges against a school, or individual, will be reported to the Executive Officer of the Sports Coordinators' Committee for consideration and a decision will be made by that body, subject to the right of appeal to the Heads. The decision of the Committee will remain, pending the hearing of any such appeal.
6. No change to these Regulations will be made without the consent of a majority of the Heads of Schools.

**All schools should be familiar with and where appropriate, follow the contents of the following AGSV Policies and Procedures:**

Adverse Weather, Medical Attention, Quality & Condition of Sporting Facilities.



## Players and Teams

7. All students on the school roll, whether full or part time, are eligible to participate in interschool sport. Where a student is aged twenty or more on 1 January, application must be made to the Executive of the Sports Coordinators' Committee for permission to participate in a Premiership sport, each case to be considered on its merits.

Students attending a school on exchange are eligible to represent that school.

However, to participate in a Premiership sport, including Athletics and Swimming, the duration of the exchange must be a minimum of one school term.

- 8 a) AGSV Summer and Winter team sports are played on a Year Level basis, with Years 11 and 12 combining for Open teams. AGSV/APS Summer and Winter team sports are **generally** played in the following divisions - Open, Intermediate and Junior.
- b) Age groupings for Swimming and Athletics are determined by the age of the student on 28 February for Swimming, and on 30 June for Athletics.
- c) Any student listed by their school as a Year 12 student is not permitted to participate in any summer sports team in Term 4 of that year. Any departure from this rule must have the unanimous support of the Heads.
- d) A student may only play one Summer and one Winter premiership sport per season (excluding Athletics and Swimming), except with the express permission of the Executive of the Sports Coordinators Committee. A student may only move mid-season from a non-premiership team to a premiership team in another sport, under extenuating circumstances, and with the permission of the Executive.
- e) **Playing time dispensation**  
**A student who plays less than 25% game time in a Firsts match has the option to participate in year level competition in the same round, in that sport only.**
9. Any school infringing these Regulations may be excluded from all contests by vote of the Heads.
10. Before the Combined Athletics, Swimming Sports and the Cross Country season, lists of **competitors** must be entered by Schools via the **online platforms** as provided by the AGSV office on behalf of the Sports Coordinators' Committee, by the date set by the AGSV.



## AGSV Premierships (Firsts Teams)

11 a) Sports with **five or** six teams entered in a competition will initially play each opposing team once during the home and away season. At the conclusion of round 5, three (3) rounds of redrawn matches will be prepared. The schedule of matches for these three rounds (round 6, 7 and 8) will be determined by the ladder positions after round 5. Refer sport specific Regulations for means of separation where teams are equal on premiership points. Results from the three redrawn rounds will be added to the regular ladder. **Two teams will contest** the **grand** final (round 9) as determined by the ladder positions after round 8. Refer sport specific Regulations for means of separation where teams are equal on premiership points. The final ladder will be determined after **round 9**.

Where a season has to be adapted due to “exceptional circumstances” (refer 15 f) awarding an AGSV premiership will be considered by the Heads if a minimum of 50% of home and away rounds have been completed.

b) Sports with seven or eight teams entered in a competition will play a season of seven (7) round Home and Away matches, followed by a round of semi-finals **and play-off's** (round 8), then **a grand final** (round 9). Draws for round 8 will be determined by the ladder standings after seven (7) rounds. Refer sport specific Regulations for means of separation where teams are equal on premiership points.

**Two teams will contest** the **grand** final (round 9) as determined by the results from the semi finals. To separate teams who have a draw in a semi-final, the team that finished highest on the ladder after Round 7 (as separated according to the criteria outlined in the sports specific Regulations) maintains that place for throughout the finals. The final ladder will be determined by the results from matches played **in round 8 and 9**.

In the event of a draw or tie (including washout) in a final, no extra time will be played, nor will the game be replayed. The team finishing with the most premiership points at the end of the Home and Away season will be declared the winner. Where both teams are equal on premiership points, a premiership will be shared.

Where a season has to be adapted due to “exceptional circumstances” (refer 15 f) awarding a premiership will be considered by the Heads if a minimum of 50% of home and away rounds have been completed.

c) Sports with nine teams entered in a competition will play a nine (9) round Home and Away season (with a Bye), followed by Semi finals (round 10). The two teams who win their semi final will contest the grand Final (round 11) to decide the Premiership. Refer sport specific Regulations for means of separation where teams are equal on premiership points.



In the event of a draw or tie (including washout) in a final, no extra time will be played, nor will the game be replayed. The team finishing with the most premierships points at the end of the Home and Away season will be declared the winner. Where both teams are equal on premierships points, a premiership will be shared.

Where a season has to be adapted due to “exceptional circumstances” (refer 15 f) awarding an AGSV premiership will be considered by the Heads if a minimum of 50% of home and away rounds have been completed. This includes Cross Country.

- (d) A school may enter a second team in a Firsts competition if a bye exists. Matches involving that team will not be played for premierships points.
- (e) A minimum of five (5) member schools are required for an AGSV sport to hold premierships status, unless otherwise decided by the AGSV Heads of Schools.

A minimum of eight (8) member schools are required for an AGSV / APS sport to hold premierships status, unless otherwise decided by the AGSV / APS Heads of Schools.

## Sports Uniforms

Correct school sport uniform must be worn for all matches regardless of grade. Only the School logo, School name and playing numbers can appear on competition uniforms.

## Matches & Events

- 12. All school matches and events will be played under the laws recognised by AFL Victoria / Victorian Amateur Football Association, Athletics Victoria, Netball Victoria, Badminton Victoria, Basketball Victoria, Cricket Victoria, Football Victoria (Soccer), Hockey Victoria, Victorian Softball Association, Squash Victoria, Swimming Victoria, Table Tennis Victoria, Tennis Victoria, Volleyball Victoria, respectively, in so far as the laws will apply to association based matches or events, provided that they do not clash with any of these Regulations.

Any amendment to a rule/regulation implemented by the governing body will only be applied to AGSV regulations once it has been ratified in accordance with AGSV procedures.

Athletics and Swimming Championships will be conducted under the rules of Athletics Victoria and Swimming Victoria respectively.

- 13. The venue for each match / event will be chosen by the home school. Matches / events will be held on grounds, courts and courses approved by the Association, or at a central venue hired by the Association.
- 14. In the event of a total round cancellation by the Heads, all matches scheduled for that round, irrespective of whether they were played prior to or post that weekend, will be considered cancelled. Where this is the case, matches will be declared a draw with premierships points shared accordingly.



## AGSV Sport venues

- 15 a) In Firsts Cricket, if the allotted ground is unfit or unavailable for play, the match may be transferred to another ground, on the day the match is scheduled to be played.
- b) In Firsts Tennis, if the allotted courts are unfit or unavailable for play (outdoors only, for Firsts), the match may be transferred to other courts on the day the match is scheduled to be played. However, there will be no change in venue after play commences.
- c) In Firsts Football, Hockey and / or Soccer, if an allotted ground is unfit or unavailable for play, the match may be transferred to another ground on the day the match is scheduled to be played. In the event of a disagreement between the coaches as to the fitness of the ground, the central umpire / referee will decide.
- d) Any change in venue or date made *prior* to day the match is scheduled to be played, must be approved by the Heads of the schools concerned or their representatives. The Executive Officer of the Sports Coordinators' Committee are to be notified of any such change.
- e) Where Firsts Cricket, Tennis, Football, Hockey or Soccer is cancelled on the day of play due to unplayable grounds and no other option is agreed to or available [as outlined above in 15 a), b), c) or d)] **the game will not be replayed** and both teams will receive points equivalent to a drawn match for that competition.
- f) The **AGSV Executive** will convene to determine if Firsts fixtures can be adapted during a season when one or more rounds are missed due to “exceptional circumstances” (excluding adverse weather) i.e. bushfires, floods, infectious disease/pandemic, thunderstorm asthma. Matches that are unable to be re-scheduled will be declared a draw with premiership points shared accordingly.
16. In all sport, the umpires or referees are responsible for removing players who are bleeding from the field of play.
17. Year level teams arriving late for a game are **not** to be penalised points / goals for their lateness. Games are to be played in the remaining time allotted.