

Grammar Hockey Team Selection Guidelines

Selection of Grammar club teams and School Rep teams will be guided by the following principles:

1. Players should represent their own age group as a first priority.
2. More skilled players may be asked to also play in the next age group higher but this should not be at the expense of an appropriately aged player. Players will not represent (play in a team) any higher than the age group above their own (e.g. J5/6 player may be asked to play J7/8 but not J9-12).
3. If Grammar has two teams in the same age group/division, these teams will be divided by House membership (Grammar Blue – Knight and Redding; Grammar Gold – Goldsmith and Wilson). Numbers on each team, or availability of goalkeepers may necessitate adjustment of teams at the discretion of Hockey Coordinator.
4. If Grammar has 3 teams in the same competition, efforts will be made to make these teams as even in ability as possible.
5. For Grammar J5/6, J7/8 and J9 -12 club teams it is the School's preference that girls will play only in girls competitions and boys in boys competitions.
6. Team selections will be made by the Hockey Coordinators in consultation with the Sports Coordinator.

To be eligible for selection in a school representative team (Carnivals, Country Week, First XI) a student must:

1. Be currently representing Grammar in the Bunbury Junior Competition, except where they live outside of the Bunbury area and written permission from the Sports Coordinator has been given to the student to play in their own local junior competition (e.g. Busselton).
2. Be prepared to be good ambassadors for the School
3. Be committed to the Hockey representative team during training and the tournament

Selection of School representative teams will be guided by the following principles:

1. Selecting the strongest players available in the age group based on performances for Grammar in the Bunbury Junior Competition (or equivalent) and attendance at training sessions.
2. For Country Week teams, players will be selected from Years 10, 11 and 12 students. For First XI teams, players may also include Year 9 students. In 2023 Country Week teams may be able to include students in Year 9 where they are on a Sports Scholarship or where a high performing athlete that will benefit a side playing in an A Grade competition.
3. Where two or more players are deemed of equal ability, priority will be given to the player in the higher year group.