

SCHOOL SPORT FOUNDATION Grants Fund 2009 – Application Guidelines

The School Sport Foundation is once again inviting all NSW Department of Education and Training schools and special purpose units to apply for funding for sport and healthy lifestyle programs in 2009. Funding will range from \$500 up to \$2,500.

Objective

To encourage and promote active and healthy lifestyles for students through school based programs.

Criteria for funding

Preference will be given to programs that:

- support a clearly identified need
- promote physical activity, fitness and/or health across the school
- provide benefits that are supplementary to normal curriculum requirements
- would not normally be covered by global funding
- provide ongoing benefits to the school and students
- demonstrate commitment of school resources and has the support of the school community
- are supported by an appropriate evaluation and reporting process
- are within the \$500 to \$2,500 funding range and will be implemented and funds expended by June 30 2010.

How to apply

Schools may only submit one application per year. Applications may only be submitted by mail or fax on the proforma downloaded from:

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/events/sponsoropp/sportfoundation/>

Please note that additional information should not be submitted and will not be considered by the assessment panel.

The closing date for applications is close of business **Wednesday 1 July 2009**. Any application that is not authorised by the Principal and/or is not returned or postmarked by the closing time will be ineligible for consideration.

Please POST your application early – leaving it until the last day is not recommended.

Unsuitable programs – applicable to all categories

- programs which should be covered in the course of a school's normal curriculum
- sporting teams traveling overseas
- programs that target the development of elite performance
- learn to swim programs which should be covered under the Department's School Swimming Scheme
- capital items such as equipment or buildings that should be covered by global funding
- programs that engage external providers without a significant teacher training/development component to ensure ongoing benefits
- transport, accommodation or meal expenses for external providers
- programs with a focus on measuring and reporting Body Mass Index (BMI) and unhealthy weight of students, due to the likelihood of enhancing social stigma and reduced self esteem

Suitable programs

Programs that promote healthy lifestyles through positive participation in physical activity and healthy eating behaviours, such as:

- teacher training and development programs related to sport, active lifestyle and health initiatives
- sport safety programs
- sport, fitness, active lifestyle, motor movement, personal health or nutrition programs
- purchase special purpose sporting equipment for an identified or specific need

2009 GRANT CATEGORIES

(schools may apply in one category only)

Category – Open to secondary public schools ONLY

Active Youth Program - grass roots participation program that targets Years 7-10 students who are not normally involved in sport and physical activity on a regular basis. This category includes young people from a CALD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) background who may face specific barriers (or maybe require additional encouragement) to participate in physical activity.

Categories – Open to all public schools

Access Sports - for students with disabilities program - supports sporting activities for primary and secondary students with disabilities.

General Programs - any sporting or healthy lifestyle initiatives that target areas of particular need that are supplementary to curriculum requirements.

Promoting Consumption of Fresh Fruit & Vegetables

Combined with Physical Activity - Support for initiatives that promote the long term consumption of fresh fruit & vegetables and also physical activity. Programs should assist students to understand the benefits of a nutritious and healthy diet for active lifestyles.

Assessment panel

The assessment panel is responsible for determining the final number of projects funded and the level of funding to be given to the successful applicants.

Schools will be notified by mail early in Term 3, 2009 regarding the outcome of their application.

Further information

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