



2023

# NATIONAL SCHOOLBOY CUP

COMPETITION HANDBOOK



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## WELCOME MESSAGE

# Welcome

Welcome to the 2023 school rugby league season.

Rugby League is about strength, skill but most importantly spirit.

Nothing connects students quite like sport does. Together they build teamwork, friendships and resilience.

The school season is an exciting time. Often, it's the first chance to get a glimpse of the NRL Telstra Premiership stars of the future. So many of our elite heroes were discovered playing in school competitions like this one.

We are a competition that cherishes the value of education and the role study plays in developing young players into adults with career options post rugby league. Some of our best players like Tom Trbojevic have studied throughout their careers and remain in tertiary education today.

The pandemic has been a challenging time for everyone. We've worked closely with our associations to ensure our planned seasons can hopefully take place this year.

I'd like to thank all schools participating in competitions. I'd like to particularly acknowledge the state, district and regional convenors for their ongoing efforts and the principals, teachers and parents who ensure the 2023 competitions can proceed.

Good luck for the competitions ahead and I look forward to the spirit in which the games will be played.

**Andrew Abdo**  
Chief Executive Officer  
National Rugby League





# ABOUT THE NRL NATIONAL SCHOOLBOY CUP



## ABOUT

The NRL National Schoolboy Cup is unparalleled in Australian School Sport, providing schools from across the country to compete on the national stage against the very best.

With a rich history of almost 50 years dating back to the 1975 Amco Shield, the NRL National Schoolboy Cup has become an important element within the Rugby League landscape. Year after year, the competition not only delivers a stunning quality of football, but as Australia's best and brightest teenage talent take the field and represent their school it continues to unearth the next generation of NRL superstars.

The NRL Schoolboy Cup honour roll illustrates the consistent depth of the competition with hundreds of Schoolboy Cup graduates going on to forge impressive NRL and representative careers including some of the game's very best including Peter Sterling, Brad Fittler, Jonathon Thurston, Greg Alexander and Ben Ellis whilst also producing the game's next generation of talent such as David Fafita and Nathan Cleary to name just two. This is again evident in the list of "Peter Sterling Medal" recipients, an award that was instituted in 1996 to recognise the Schoolboy Cup "Player of the Year", with several former and current NRL stars receiving this honour.

However, the NRL National Schoolboy Cup is about more than just football with the competition becoming an intrinsic part of the wider school culture for so many of Australia's best schools who are invited to participate each year. For both players that go onto further Rugby League honours and those that do not, representing their school in this competition alongside their classmates is a highlight and provides a great sense of achievement, pride and identity.

The NRL National Schoolboy Cup also underpins the game's strong commitment to providing and supporting education outcomes for all students. In order to participate in the competition all students must achieve and maintain a minimum of 90% school attendance. This is designed to not only clearly signify the profound emphasis that the NRL places on the importance of education, but also compliment the great work done at school level by providing an additional vehicle to enhance student engagement.

In 2023, the National Schoolboy Cup will again be broadcast across Australia. This level and quality of coverage is unprecedented in school level competitions and adds another dimension by allowing Rugby League fans and school supporters alike to enjoy this wonderful competition.





# COMPETITION STRUCTURE



## 1. COMPETITION ENTRY

- 1.1. Participation in the NRL National Schoolboy Cup is on a school basis.
- 1.2. Entry into the NRL National Schoolboy Cup and participation in the competition will be via invitation only.
- 1.3. All invited schools must complete the online entry form to confirm participation.
- 1.4. All schools entering the NRL National Schoolboy Cup must adhere to the rules and conditions outlined in this document and any reasonable request from competition management.



## 2. STRUCTURE OF COMPETITION

- 2.1. The NRL National Schoolboy Cup will be played via two (2) Conferences (Northern – Phil Hall Cup and Southern – Peter Mulholland Cup) with the winners of each conference advancing to the National Final.
- 2.2. The preliminary stage of the Northern Conference (Phil Hall Cup) will take place via the Brisbane Broncos, Dolphins, Gold Coast Titans and North Queensland Cowboys supported feeder competitions with the results of these competitions determining qualification into the Phil Hall Cup Finals Series.
- 2.3. The Southern Conference (Peter Mulholland Cup) will take place directly under the NRL National Schoolboy Cup format via approved fixtures which will be used to determine qualification into the Conference/National Finals Series.
- 2.4. All stages of the competition are administered and controlled by the National Rugby League. With exception to feeder competitions, which are supported and overseen by NRL staff.
- 2.5. All decisions in regard to the NRL National Schoolboy Cup (including, but not limited to the implementation of the rules and conditions outlined in this document) will be made by the National Rugby League.



## 3. COMPETITION DRAW

- 3.1. The NRL will be responsible for the NRL National Schoolboy Cup Draw in conjunction with participating school bodies and 'Feeder Competition' managers (if applicable).
- 3.2. Some matches may have to be played during school holidays. Sufficient notice will be given to the relevant schools in this circumstance.
- 3.3. Any change to the competition draw (date/time/venue) must be approved by NRL management; applications for changes to the draw will only be considered in 'extraordinary circumstances'.
- 3.4. The competition will be played between the months of April and September 2023.





# COMPETITION STRUCTURE



## 4. PLAY-BY-DATES

- 4.1. All matches are required to be played on or before the date set down in the draw.
- 4.2. Play-by dates must be adhered to or your school may be deemed to have forfeited.
- 4.3. Only exceptional circumstances for extension will be considered.
- 4.4. Extension requests will be considered by the NRL.
- 4.5. Each request for an extension will be treated on its merits and must be submitted in writing within 24 hours of the event which precipitated the match postponement.
- 4.6. Absence of a player or players will not be accepted as sufficient reason for extension beyond play-by dates.
- 4.7. The decision of the NRL will be final.



## 5. SOUTHERN CONFERENCE (Peter Mulholland Cup) – POOL WINNERS

- 5.1. In the Southern Conference to determine the winners of each pool the following will apply:
  - 5.1.A. Most number of wins – if equal
  - 5.1.B. Points differential – if equal
  - 5.1.C. Most tries scored – if equal
  - 5.1.D. Result of head to head pool match – if equal
  - 5.1.E. Toss of a coin



## 6. FORFEITS

- 6.1. Forfeits, at any time, are not acceptable.
- 6.2. All Schools are expected to participate in all pool matches. Failure to do so may result in a school becoming ineligible to progress beyond the pool stages of the competition, regardless of the results of previous completed matches.
- 6.3. Under extraordinary circumstances, a school may apply for special consideration regarding a forfeit which may be granted at the discretion of competition management. Exams, player availability, school event clashes, wet weather and venue hire are examples of circumstances that will NOT be considered.
- 6.4. In the event of a forfeit, a points differential of -20 and zero competition points will be applied to the forfeiting school.
- 6.5. Consecutive forfeits over a season or numerous seasons may result in your school becoming ineligible for an invitation in future seasons.





# COMPETITION STRUCTURE



## 7. PENALTIES AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

7.1. The NRL National Schoolboy Cup is played in accordance with the NRL On-Field Policy and the NRL National Code of Conduct. Any breach of these policies may result in individual and/or team sanctions, and/or disqualification, and/or ineligibility for future competitions.

· NRL On-Field Policy - <https://bit.ly/32ktrql>

· NRL National Code of Conduct - <https://bit.ly/3r2ULE4>

7.2. In the event of a school fielding an over-age player, an ineligible player or being found guilty of playing with an extra player (14th) on the field, the school may be disqualified.

7.3. The actual penalties for breaches shall be determined by competition management or an independent committee specifically appointed by competition management to hear such matters.

7.4. Non-compliance with sponsorship guidelines and/or play-by date may also lead to a school/team sanction.

7.5. Any breach of the rules and conditions outlined in this document or any other matter/behaviour that is deemed to bring the competition or game into disrepute may also lead to a school disqualification.



## 8. PROTESTS AND CHALLENGES

8.1. Any challenges/protests must be lodged in writing by 5.00pm on the first business day following the match. Protests must be on a School letterhead and signed by the school principal.

8.2. Protests are to be addressed to: Competition Manager, NRL Schoolboy Cup, and emailed to: [jdallas@nrl.com.au](mailto:jdallas@nrl.com.au)





# PLAYER ELIGIBILITY & SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS



## 9. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- 9.1. Schools may only register a student who is aged 18 years or under in 2023
- 9.2. Schools may only register a student who, at the end of the year in which the competition is conducted, reaches the age of 16 years.
- 9.3. Schools may only register a student categorised by the board of studies for their HSC or QCE as a fulltime student.
- 9.4. Schools may only register a student who has enrolled and attended the school as an active student prior to the last day of term 1.
- 9.5. Schools may only register a student that complies with the 90% attendance condition (see 2.2 "Attendance")
- 9.6. A player may only represent one (1) school in each year of the competition.
- 9.7. All participating schools must submit an online entry form by the last day of term 1 2023 in their state.
- 9.8. There will be NO exemptions for over age "Pathway" students.
- 9.9. It is the responsibility of the competing school to ensure that participating players are not subject to a suspension from 'the game of Rugby League' (issued by a Local, State or National League) at the time of playing a match in Cup competition.
- 9.10. It is the responsibility of the competing schools to ensure all players eligibility criteria when submitting team lists for all fixture and finals matches.
- 9.11. Once a player has represented a school as a year 12 student, they may not participate in future competitions representing a different school.
- 9.12. A player will be deemed ineligible if they are marked unavailable on My Sideline because of suspension of concussion.



## 10. ATTENDANCE

- 10.1. A student must maintain 90% attendance to be eligible to play in any NRL National Schoolboy Cup fixtures and finals series matches.
- 10.2. All schools must confirm (and sign off accordingly) that all players have attained 90% attendance when submitting team lists for all matches.
- 10.3. If there are any extenuating circumstances that have affected a student's ability to attend school, the school on behalf of the student must apply for an exemption to competition management and provide evidence to support the exemption.







# PLAYER ELIGIBILITY & SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS



## 11. PLAYER REGISTRATION

- 11.1. All players in the 2023 NRL National Schoolboy Cup must be registered via the My Sideline registration portal which is to be completed by the last day of term 1 2023 in their state.
- 11.2. Only via application for special consideration will it be possible to register players after the last day of term 1 2023 in their state.



## 12. COACHING QUALIFICATIONS

- 12.1. All coaches must have the minimum qualification of a current International Games Coach, or Community Coach 13+, National Rugby League Coaching Certificate.
- 12.2. As a minimum, each team must have a current teacher from the school (involved as a coach, manager, assistant coach or trainer) present at every match played by the school.
- 12.3. All coaches will be required to provide coaching accreditation details when registering teams into the competition.
- 12.4. All coaches must not be subject to a suspension or disqualification.



## 13. TEAM STAFF REQUIREMENTS

- 13.1. All team staff must comply with the requirements outlined in the NRL On-Field Policy. It is the school's responsibility to ensure all team staff meet these requirements.
- 13.2. All team staff must adhere to the NRL National Code of Conduct. It is the schools responsibility to ensure their staff are across these requirements.
- 13.3. All team staff must comply with the clearly defined roles as outlined in the NRL On-Field Policy
- 13.4. All team staff must comply with any reasonable instruction issued by the ground manager, competition manager or match referee.
- 13.5. All team staff must register prior to their schools first match via the online Team Staff accreditation form; <https://forms.office.com/r/Htj4Z7J1N6>
- 13.6. Any team staff found to have not complied with either the NRL On-Field Policy or NRL National Code of Conduct may incur individual and/or team sanctions, and/or disqualification.

· [NRL On-Field Policy - https://bit.ly/32ktrql](https://bit.ly/32ktrql)





# PLAYER ELIGIBILITY & SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS



## 14. CODE OF CONDUCT

**14.1.** All NRL National Schoolboy Cup matches are played in accordance with the NRL National Code of Conduct. Players, team staff and spectators are all bound by the NRL National Code of Conduct.

· [NRL National Code of Conduct - https://bit.ly/3r2ULE4](https://bit.ly/3r2ULE4)



## 15. BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS – NRL NATIONAL SCHOOLBOY CUP MATCHES

**15.1.** It is emphasised that the strictest standard of behaviour should be observed and always followed by players, coaches, officials and spectators at all National Schoolboy Cup matches and functions.

**15.2.** Spectator groups must be always under strict teacher/school supervision.

**15.3.** Any incidents of unacceptable behaviour either on or off the field should be immediately reported to the Ground Manager and the NRL.

**15.4.** Strong disciplinary action will be taken against any offender or offending school, including suspension and, possible ineligibility for invitation to any future Rugby League competitions.

**15.5.** Failure of school/s to properly supervise and control supporter groups may lead to penalties and sanctions to the offending school/s.

**15.6.** During finals matches, schools will be required to nominate a student supporter liaison who will be the point of contact for any matter relating to supporters.





# GAME DAY OPERATIONS & MATCH INFORMATION



## 16. LAWS OF THE GAME

16.1. All NRL National Schoolboy Cup games are to be played in accordance with the NRL International Laws of Rugby League unless otherwise specified in this document.



## 17. MATCH DURATION

17.1. Each game must consist of two (2) halves, each of thirty (30) minutes.

17.2. Half Time shall be a maximum of ten (10) minutes.



## 18. MATCH TIMES

18.1. All TV/streamed and final series matches are to be played on the days advised by the NRL.

18.2. All non-televised/streamed fixture matches can be played at mutually agreed days & times. If schools cannot mutually agree on a date/time, the NRL will nominate the date & time.

18.3. Schools traveling to matches may be required to travel on the day prior, stay overnight and return after the match.



## 19. MATCH VENUES

19.1. For fixture matches, the team listed first on the draw is the home team.

19.2. For fixture matches, the home team will have the responsibility of hosting the match.

19.3. All matches must be played at venues that have suitable facilities, i.e. Clean change rooms for each team, suitable playing surface, adequate space between spectators and field of play, and appropriate area for spectators.

19.4. All venues must be approved by the NRL.

19.5. If schools cannot agree on a fixture match venue, the NRL will nominate the venue/time.

19.6. All broadcast or streamed matches will be arranged by the NRL.



## 20. DRAWN MATCHES - FIXTURES

20.1. In fixture matches, if at the end of the normal period of play the scores are equal, then each school shall receive 1 point.





## GAME DAY OPERATIONS & MATCH INFORMATION



### 21. DRAWN MATCHES – FINALS SERIES (GOLDEN POINT)

- 21.1.** In the event of a tied game after full-time in the National Final Series, a further two, five (5) minutes of 'golden point' will be played with the following criteria:
- 21.1.A.** A toss of the coin will be used to determine who shall restart the match
  - 21.1.B.** The first scorer in extra time shall be declared the winner and the match will conclude.
  - 21.1.C.** An additional 2 interchange will be given at the start of "golden point"
- 21.2.** In the event of no points being scored after the first five (5) minutes of 'golden point', teams will swap ends and immediately commence the second five (5) minute period.
- 21.3.** In the event of no points being scored during Golden Point and points remaining equal, the criteria, as below, will be used to determine the winner:
- 21.3.A.** The team scoring the most tries will be declared the winner.
  - 21.3.B.** If tries are equal, the team scoring the first try will be declared the winner.
  - 21.3.C.** Where no tries are scored, the team scoring the first points will be declared the winner.
  - 21.3.D.** Where no points are scored, the team receiving the most penalties will win. Conversely, the team conceding the most penalties shall lose the match. (Including any penalties given in extra time)
  - 21.3.E.** When penalties are even, the team receiving the first penalty will be declared the winner.



### 22. INTERCHANGE & REPLACEMENTS

- 22.1.** The replacement rule to be used in all matches is "four (4) fresh reserves with a maximum of ten (10) interchanges". Any infringement of this rule can lead to a school being disqualified.
- 22.2.** In all matches, before taking the field, the replacement player must report to the interchange official, informing the official of the number of the player being replaced.
- 22.3.** The interchange procedure involves the replacement player holding the appropriate interchange card until such time as the interchange official takes the card of the player - the player shall only then be allowed to enter the playing field once this has taken place.
- 22.4.** Interchanges of players at a scrum are not permitted unless time out has been called by the referee
- 22.5.** Teams may activate their 18th man in any circumstance where a player has been ruled out of the match due to a head injury, or as a direct result of foul play. Additionally, the 18th man can be introduced if a team is down to 1 fresh interchange players from any other circumstance.





## GAME DAY OPERATIONS & MATCH INFORMATION



### 23. KICKING TEES

**23.1.** Kicking Tees may be used provided they are a product which have been officially approved by the NRL. Such tees may be used for kicks at goal and starts and restarts of play from the 50m line.



### 24. TEAM COLOURS

**24.1.** Schools are also required to ensure that all jersey numbers are clearly visible on jerseys.

**24.2.** Schools must wear the competition logo on the right-hand chest of their school jersey, where possible. (see sponsorship)



### 25. VIDEO FOOTAGE

**25.1.** All matches in the NRL Schoolboy Cup will be filmed for the use of the NRL should the need arise. Each school will receive a link to view their matches after each round.

**22.5.** Teams may activate their 18th man in any circumstance where a player has been ruled out of the match due to a head injury, or as a direct result of foul play. Additionally, the 18th man can be introduced if a team is down to 1 fresh interchange players from any other circumstance.





## **GAME DAY OPERATIONS & MATCH INFORMATION**



### **26. PROMOTIONAL/MEDIA ACCESS**

- 26.1.** It is the responsibility of the coach of every participating school (or a nominated representative) to attend any sponsor function, media engagement or other promotional activity providing reasonable notice has been given.
- 26.2.** The coach of every participating school is required to fulfil all media and/or broadcast requirements including but not limited to, completing interviews, player profiles and team information.
- 26.3.** Additionally, schools should endeavour to promote their upcoming matches and ensure that the NRL and relevant sponsor/s, receive recognition for their support of this competition.



### **27. COMPETITION APPOINTED FIRST RESPONSE/MEDICAL PERSONNEL**

- 27.1.** The NRL reserves the right to appoint trained First Response and/or Medical personnel to oversee NRL National Schoolboy Cup matches.
- 27.2.** These appointed personnel will work in addition to the standard team staff who will remain responsible for the monitoring and treatment of injuries.
- 27.3.** In the event of a serious injury or suspected serious injury, the appointed personnel 's decisions are final.





## GENERAL INFORMATION



### 28. COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

NATIONAL / PETER MULHOLLAND CUP			
NAME	ADDRESS	MOBILE0	EMAIL
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PHIL HALL CUP			
NAME	ADDRESS	MOBILE0	EMAIL
Jesse Naumann	Rugby League Central – Queensland 83 Castlemaine St, Milton, Qld 4064	0447 037 934	jnaumann@nrl.com.au



### 29. SPONSORSHIP

- 29.1. Every player must have the competition logo on the right-hand chest of the playing jersey where possible.
- 29.2. No other sponsor logo, emblem or identification is allowed on jerseys unless specifically approved by the National Rugby League for the current season.
- 29.3. Schools seeking to engage sponsorship must apply to the NRL for approval; all proposed sponsorship must adhere to the following guidelines:
  - 29.3.A. All pending sponsorship proposals must be submitted for approval to the NRL. Failure to do so may result in sanctions.
  - 29.3.B. Sponsor identification may be displayed on the t-shirts of team trainers by way of sleeve sponsorship or on the back of shirts.
- 29.4. Ball boys must wear school sports shirts (unless supplied sponsor t-shirts) and be presentably attired for all matches.
- 29.5. Sponsorship arrangements must not conflict with the major sponsor and other sponsors of this competition, nor with any other sponsor of the National, New South Wales or Queensland Rugby Leagues.
- 29.6. Any company whose name is synonymous with the manufacture or sale of tobacco products or alcoholic beverages should not be regarded as an appropriate sponsor at this level.
- 29.7. School sponsors will not be referred to or recognised in television/streamed matches apart from the obvious visual recognition. Schools should not suggest to potential sponsors any guarantee of television/stream exposure as a part of their sponsorship negotiation.
- 29.8. Final control over sponsorships will rest with the National Rugby League.





## GENERAL INFORMATION



### 30. AWARDS

30.1. Awards for the 2023 NRL National Schoolboy Cup are TBC.



### 31. PLAYER OF THE YEAR – PETER STERLING MEDAL

31.1. The NRL National Schoolboy Cup Player of the Year award will be given to the individual who polls the most points from a nominated panel.

31.2. At each match in the competition, beginning at the Quarter Final stage, 3 players will be awarded points (3, 2 & 1).

31.3. The “Player of the Year” will receive the “Peter Sterling Medal” in addition to any other awards.

31.4. Any player dismissed from the field of play and charged with an offence shall not be eligible for the award unless completely exonerated by the judiciary committee. Similarly, any player cited for any on-field misconduct charge will not be eligible for the award.



### 32. COMPETITION TRAVEL

32.1. The NRL provides funding to the participating school to offset the costs associated with taking part in the NRL National Schoolboy Cup.

32.2. In Pool matches, schools travelling to venues further than 200 km from their school, for any match, may submit a claim for subsidy. Level of reimbursement will be at the discretion of competition management.

32.3. In the National Finals Series, 80% of travel (if further than 100kms from their school) and accommodation (where applicable) for a touring squad of 22 people. Please note only bus hire, fuel costs, accommodation and overnight dinner/breakfast will be covered. Lunches/ Snacks etc. will not be covered by the NRL.

32.4. For the National Final, 100% of travel will be subsidised with schools permitted to have a 22-person touring squad.

32.5. Travel subsidies will only be paid on receipt of a claim, accompanied by paid travel account, forwarded to the Competition Convenor within 14 days of the playing of the match

32.6. Schools are to contact the Competition Convenor prior to finalising any bookings and receive approval.







## GENERAL INFORMATION



### 33. REFEREES AND TOUCH JUDGES

33.1. NRL qualified referees and touch judges will be arranged by the appropriate state body for all matches.



### 34. STREAMED GAMES

34.1. All relevant streamed information needs to be completed accurately.

34.2. All relevant player information needs to be detailed to provide commentators with information for streamed match.

34.3. All streamed information (including, but not limited to team lists, school, coach and player profiles) is required to be sent to the NRL in accordance with deadlines provided.

34.4. The Schoolboy Cup Logo must be affixed on the right-side chest of the playing jersey.



### 35. DISMISSALS – refer to conference-specific pages

35.1. In Conference based matches - Any Player sent from the field or placed on report by the referee shall be reported to the respective State League and/or Governing School Body who shall deal with the matter via the current Judicial Protocols.

35.2. Any disciplinary action handed down as a result of these protocols will apply to ALL sanctioned forms of Rugby League (School, Club and Representative).

35.3. In the National Final Series – Any Player sent from the field or placed on report by the referee shall be reported to the NRL who shall deal with the matter with the assistance of the applicable State League and their current Judicial Protocols.

Any disciplinary action handed down as a result of these protocols may apply to additional forms of Rugby League (School, Club and Representative).

35.4. It is the responsibility of the competing school to ensure that participating players are not subject to a suspension from 'the game of Rugby League' (issued by a Local, State or National League) at the time of playing a match in Cup competition

35.5. All penalties will be issues in weeks, opposed to matches – with a start, and end date to contain the period of suspension.

Players issued with a suspension for 2 weeks or less, will be permitted to participate in selection trials (ASSRL Pathway or Junior Representative Squads) if they fall within the suspended period.

35.6. Serious cases with suspensions exceeding 2 weeks, will not be permitted.

The player will be permitted to appeal any suspension by notifying the competition convenor within 24 hours of being notified of their charge.





## GENERAL INFORMATION



### 36. CITATIONS – please refer to conference-specific page

- 36.1.** Any school may submit a citation of any incident during a match that they feel requires review. The incident must:
- not have been penalised during the match
  - be supported by clear video footage
  - relate to foul play within the laws of the game
- 36.2.** Any citations must be officially submitted to the competition convenor, within 24 hours of the match, to be considered.
- 36.3.** If the competition convenor believes a cited incident requires a charge, the player in question will follow the Judicial Process guidelines as per 35.1. Dismissals.



### 37. CODE OF CONDUCT BREACHES

- 37.1.** Players, coaches, staff and supporters are all responsible to uphold the NRL National Code of Conduct at all times, during any school competition matches.
- 37.2.** Competition convenors, match officials or ground managers have the right to report any Code of Conduct breach to Competition Management where they see fit.
- 37.3.** Those reported to have breached the NRL National Code of Conduct may be required to attend a hearing and face suspensions from participation and attendance at future rugby league events (School, Club & Representative).



### 38. INSURANCE STATEMENT

- 38.1.** This competition is played in accordance with NRL's standard insurance statement. This statement is available at:  
<https://www.playrugbyleague.com/media/10791/nrl-insurance-statement-and-tcs.pdf>



### 39. SITUATIONS NOT COVERED BY THE RULES

- 39.1.** Should any situation or matter arise, not covered by these rules, the matter shall be referred to the NRL for decision, which will be final.





# COMPETITION DRAWS



## 40. COMPETITION DRAWS

PHIL HALL CUP		
ALAN LANGER CUP Southern Queensland	DOLPHIN CUP Central Queensland	AARON PAYNE CUP Northern Queensland
Semi Finals: 15th August	Semi Finals: 8th August	Semi Finals: 9th August
Grand Final: 23rd August	Grand Final: 15th August	Grand Final: 17th August
Winner Dolphin Cup v Winner Aaron Payne Cup: 22nd August		
<b>Northern Conference Final (Queensland)</b> Winner Langer Cup v Winner Dolphin/Aaron Payne Cup Wednesday 30th August		

**NRL National Schoolboy Cup**  
National Final  
Wednesday 13th September

PETER MULHOLLAND CUP					
ROUND 1			ROUND 2		
POOL	HOME	AWAY	POOL	HOME	AWAY
1	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	Westfields Sports	1	Endeavour Sports	Westfields Sports
1	The Hills Sports	Endeavour Sports	1	The Hills Sports	Patrician Brothers Blacktown
2	Farrer MAHS	Hunter Sports	2	Farrer MAHS	Central Coast SC
2	Central Coast SC	All Saints Maitland	2	All Saints Maitland	Hunter Sports
3	Bass HS	Holy Cross College	3	St Dominic's College	Bass High
3	St Gregory's College	St Dominic's College	3	Holy Cross College	St Gregory's College
4	Patrician Brothers Fairfield	Matraville Sports	4	Matraville Sports	Illawarra Sports
4	Illawarra Sports	Erindale College	4	Erindale College	Patrician Brothers Fairfield
ROUND 3			FINAL SERIES		
POOL	HOME	AWAY	ROUND	DATE	VENUE
1	Endeavour Sports	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	Quarter Finals	16th August	TBC
1	Westfields Sports	The Hills Sports	Semi Finals	23rd August	Campbelltown Stadium
2	Hunter Sports	Central Coast SC	Southern Final	30th August	Campbelltown Stadium
2	All Saints Maitland	Farrer MAHS	National Final	13th September	TBC
3	Bass High	St Gregory's College			
3	Holy Cross College	St Dominic's College			
4	Matraville Sports	Erindale College			
4	Illawarra Sports	Patrician Brothers Fairfield			





# COMPETITION HISTORY



## 41. COMPETITION HISTORY

Year	Winner	Runner Up	Score
1975	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	Blacktown High School	16-8
1976	Blacktown High School	Ashcroft High School	16-7
1977	Ashcroft High School	Parramatta Marist High	16-3
1978	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	Padua College, Brisbane	19-3
1979	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	Holy Cross College, Ryde	16-14
1980	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	Holy Cross College, Ryde	11-9
1981	Holy Cross College, Ryde	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	15-11
1982	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	Holy Cross College, Ryde	18-15
1983	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	14-2
1984	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	Christian Brothers, Lewisham	16-10
1985	Ashcroft High School	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	13-6
1986	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	Christian Brothers, Lewisham	26-0
1987	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	Keebra Park High	21-0
1988	Parramatta Marist High	Holy Cross College, Ryde	14-6
1989	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	Holy Cross College, Ryde	12-10
1990	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	St John's College, Woodlawn	18-4
1991	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	28-12
1992	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield	Harristown State High	17-16
1993	St Gregory's, Campbelltown	Wavell State High	27-6
1994	John Paul II, Marayong	Eagle Vale High	34-4
1995	Parramatta Marist High	McCarthy Senior Catholic High	24-0
1996	John Paul II, Marayong	Erindale College	12-6
1997	Erindale College	Parramatta Marist High	26-12
1998	Erindale College	Parramatta Marist High	27-14





# COMPETITION HISTORY



## 41. COMPETITION HISTORY cont.

Year	Winner	Runner Up	Score
1999	Terra Sancta College	Palm Beach High	16-14
2000	St Gregory's Campbelltown	St Francis Xavier Maitland	16-0
2001	Palm Beach Currumbin	St Gregory's Campbelltown	16-4
2002	Wavell State High	Terra Sancta College	22-20
2003	St Dominic's College	Endeavour Sports High School	28-0
2004	Endeavour Sports High	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	16-7
2005	Endeavour Sports High	Keebra Park State High,	20-10
2006	Endeavour Sports High	Keebra Park State High,	16-7
2007	Matraville Sports High	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	32-10
2008	Palm Beach Currumbin	Matraville Sports High	24-22
2009	Keebra Park State High	Matraville Sports High	18-12
2010	The Hills Sports High	Keebra Park State High	18-14
2011	The Hills Sports High	Matraville Sports High	22-20
2012	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	Endeavour Sports High	32-6
2013	Keebra Park State High	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	28-4
2014	Endeavour Sports High	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	22-12
2015	Kirwan State High	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	28-10
2016	Westfields Sports High	Keebra Park State High School	26-24
2017	Keebra Park State High	Westfields Sports High School	25-12
2018	Palm Beach Currumbin	Patrician Brothers Blacktown	20-12
2019	Kirwan State High	Westfields Sports	16-10
2020/21	National match not played		
2022	Ipswich State High	Patrician Brothers Fairfield	32- 6





# COMPETITION HISTORY



## 41. COMPETITION HISTORY cont.

Year	Winner	School
1975	Not awarded	Not Awarded
1976	Steve White	Blacktown High School
1977	Alan Emery	Ashcroft High School
1978	Peter Sterling	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield
1979	Ivan Henjack	St Gregory's, Campbelltown
1980	Ben Elias	Holy Cross College, Ryde
1981	Ben Elias	Holy Cross College, Ryde
1982	Paul Langmack	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield
1983	Greg Alexander	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield
1984	Paul Osborne	Christian Brothers, Lewisham
1985	David Rowles	Ashcroft High School
1986	Damien Kenniff	St Gregory's, Campbelltown
1987	David Danes	Patrician Brothers, Fairfield
1988	David Baysarri	Parramatta Marist Brothers
1989	Jason Taylor	St Gregory's, Campbelltown
1990	Troy Dicoski	St John's College, Woodlawn
1991	Damien Chapman	St Gregory's, Campbelltown
1992	Andrew Dunnemann	Harristown State High
1993	Kris Flint	St Gregory's, Campbelltown
1994	Michael Withers	John Paul II, Marayong
1995	Nathan Cayless	Parramatta Marist High
1996	Chris Smith	John Paul II, Marayong
1997	Greg Keary	Parramatta Marist High
1998	Peter Rose	Erindale College





# COMPETITION HISTORY



## 41. COMPETITION HISTORY cont.

Year	Winner	School
1999	Christian Orsini	Terra Sancta College
2000	Riley Mullins	St Gregory's Campbelltown
2001	Mat Brown	Palm Beach Currumbin
2002	Aaron Lewis	Wavell State High
2003	Michael Carl	St Dominic's College
2004	Beau Champion	Endeavour Sports High
2005	Ben T'eo	Keebra Park State High
2006	Matthew Mundine	Endeavour Sports High
2007	Adam Reynolds	Matraville Sports High
2008	Ryan James	Palm Beach Currumbin
2009	Jordan Kahu	Keebra Park State High
2010	Gerard McCallum	The Hills Sports High
2011	Ken Seru	Matraville Sports High
2012	Jaden Clarke	Endeavour Sports High
2013	Marion Seve	Keebra Park State High
2014	Joseph Tramontana	Patrician Brothers Blacktown
2015	Julian Christian	Kirwan State High
2016	Payne Hass	Keebra Park State High
2017	David Fafita	Keebra Park State High
2018	Tom Dearden	Palm Beach Currumbin
2019	Adrian Trevilyan	Kirwan State High
2020/21	Not Awarded	
2022	Gabriel Satrick	Ipswich State High





## APPENDIX

# Northern Conference Bi Laws



### QLD Team Numbers

#### Allan Langer Trophy

Team numbers for all Allan Langer Trophy matches will be 17.

#### Dolphin Cup

Team numbers for all Dolphin Cup round matches will be 19 (6 reserves). Team numbers for the Dolphin Cup Semi Finals and Grand Final will be 17.

#### Aaron Payne Cup

Team numbers for all Aaron Payne Cup round matches will be 19 (6 reserves). Team numbers for the Aaron Payne Cup Semi Finals and Grand Final will be 17.



### QLD Judicial Process

#### Match Review Process (Players)

Incident report is completed by the referee and submitted to the Match Review Panel, via the NRL QLD School Participation Coordinator.

Incident is reviewed by the Match Review Panel. This panel includes representatives from the NRL, QSSRL, and independents.

The Match Review Panel submits a grading to the QSSRL Judiciary Committee.

QSSRL Judiciary Committee communicates the determined charge/suspension to the school of the offending player.

The school/player either accepts the charge or appeals. Any appeals are handled directly through the QSSRL Judiciary Committee.



### Disciplinary (Team Staff/Spectators)

Incident report is completed by a match official and/or ground manager and submitted to the Disciplinary Review Panel, via the NRL QLD School Participation Coordinator.

The principal/s of the school/s involved will be contacted by the NRL/Disciplinary Review Panel to supply an incident report for their version of events.

After receiving all available reports, the incident is reviewed by the Disciplinary Review Panel. This panel includes representatives from the NRL, QSSRL, and independents.

After reviewing, the Disciplinary Review Panel will determine if a hearing is required, in which case a date and time will be set by the panel.

The outcomes from a Disciplinary Hearing will be final.







# APPENDIX

## Southern Conference Bi Laws



### 1. Dismissals

Players sent from the field will not be allowed to participate for the remainder of the carnival. Games missed during this event will not transfer to any future suspension issued to the player.

The referee issuing the dismissal will complete a NSW School Competition Referee Report within 24 hours of the incident. This report will be collated by the competition convener who shall deal with the matter with the assistance of the applicable State League and their current Judicial Protocols.

If the player is registered with a junior league club, the case will be:

- delivered to the governing league of their registered club
- handled in accordance with the governing leagues Judicial Protocols
- decided on, and issued by, the governing league

If the player is not registered with a junior league club, the case will be:

- referred to the governing league in which the school is located
- handled in accordance with the governing league Judicial Protocols
- decided on, and issued by, the competition convener

All charges and penalties imposed will be recorded on each player's MySideline database record (where applicable) and any suspensions will be effective across all forms of Rugby League (School, Club & Representative) for the period determined.

All penalties will be issued in weeks, opposed to matches – with a start, and end date to contain the period of suspension.

Players issued with a suspension for 2 weeks or less, will be permitted to participate in selection trials (ASSRL Pathway or Junior Representative Squads) if they fall within the suspended period. Serious cases with suspensions exceeding 2 weeks, will not be permitted.

The player will be permitted to appeal any suspension by notifying the competition convener within 24 hours of being notified of their charge.



### 2. Citations

Any school may submit a citation of any incident during a match that they feel requires review. The incident must:

- not have been penalized during the match
- be supported by clear video footage
- relate to foul play within the laws of the game

Any citations must be officially submitted to the competition convener within 24 hours of the match to be considered.

If the competition convener believes a cited incident requires a charge, the player in question will follow the Judicial Process guidelines as per 1. Dismissals.





## **APPENDIX**

### **Southern Conference Bi Laws cont.**



#### **3. Code of Conduct Breaches**

Your players, coaches, staff and supporters are all responsible to uphold the NRL Code of Conduct at all times during any school competition matches.

Competition conveners, match officials or ground managers have the right to report any Code of Conduct breach to the competitions committee where they see fit.

Those reported to have breached the Code of Conduct will be required to attend a hearing and face suspensions from participation and attendance in future rugby league events (School, Club & Representative).





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