SSV MEMBERSHIP

School Sport Victoria (SSV), as part of the Department of Education, delivers an extensive **school sport program** for primary and secondary students across Victoria. This includes:

SCHOOL SPORT VICTORIA

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Professional Development

A range of professional development, networking and leadership opportunities for teachers and principals

Interschool Sport

An interschool sport program, for students to represent their school across a wide range of individual and team sports

Communication

Providing updates on school sport initiatives in Victoria

Team Vic

The Victorian state representative program providing students the opportunity to compete at national School Sport Australia championships

Awards

Recognising outstanding achievements in school sport, including by students, teachers and schools

Victorian Teachers' Games

The annual Victorian Teachers' Games, bringing the community of educators together for sporting and social events

JOIN 2,500+

SSV member schools access a range of benefits to support school sport opportunities for students and staff.

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Importance of school sport to schools and students
Sport participation provides opportunities for students to be physically active and also contributes to improving mental wellbeing and resilience – alongside improving social interaction, fun and enjoyment, relief of tension, self-expression, achievement and building confidence.

Supporting Government and school priorities
The **Education State** is about achieving excellence and creating opportunities for all Victorian students in all aspects of their education. School sport is integral to supporting the achievement of the Education State targets, in particular **happy, healthy and resilient** kids and **pride and confidence in our schools**, across the Victorian education system.

In addition, the Joint Ministerial **Statement on Physical Activity** for Children and Young People sets out how schools, in partnership with families and the community, can set children on a physical activity path for life.

SSV supports schools in providing sport opportunities for students which:

- Aligns with the **Active Schools Framework**, supporting schools to take a whole school approach to physical activity, including through the **Active Schools Toolkit**.
- Contributes to meeting the minimum required amount of physical and sport education, as outlined in the **Physical and Sport Education policy**.

Eligible schools can access funding to support school sport, including:

- **Active School Grants**
- **Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund**
- **Sporting Schools**

SSV Membership Categories and Fees
SSV offers schools three levels of membership categories: **Full members** (any Government school), **Associate members** (any non-Government school) and **Affiliate members** (any non-Government secondary school).

For further details of SSV membership categories, visit the **SSV Membership Policy** and **Membership Fees**.

SSV membership fees supports the costs associated with delivering school sport programs and the overall administration of School Sport Victoria.

Schools can apply to become a new member of SSV by completing a SSV Membership Application Form by 30 June each year.

SSV MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

SSV SCHOOL MEMBER BENEFITS	FULL	ASSOCIATE	AFFILIATE
PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN SCHOOL SPORT:			
Full access for your school/students to participate in SSV **interschool competitions**, including events for **multi-class students** (students with a disability) in swimming, cross country and track and field	✔	✔	
Opportunity for your school/students to participate in SSV **Premier League** competitions for selected sports (eligible secondary schools only)	✔	✔	
Full access for your students to register to trial for **Team Vic** team selection, to participate in School Sport Australia Championships , including events for multi-class students (students with disability) in swimming, cross country and track and field.	✔	✔	✔
Access for students selected for Team Vic who are facing financial hardship to: • Access to fundraising support through the **Australian Sports Foundation** • Apply for a scholarship to the **Sports Excellence Scholarship Fund**	✔ ✔	✔ ✔	✔ ✔
Access to an **SSV digital calendar** providing up to date event information for national, state and region school sport championships.	✔	✔	✔
Use the **SSV brandmark** as per the **SSV brand style guidelines.**	✔	✔	✔
CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS IN SCHOOL SPORT:			
Eligibility to apply for an **Academic and Sporting Achievement Medal** for up to two students at your school.	✔	✔	
Eligibility to be nominated for the annual **School Sport Victoria Awards**	✔	✔	
Eligibility to be nominated for the annual **Victorian School Sports Awards** (Government schools only)*	✔		
KEEPING CONNECTED WITH SCHOOL SPORT:			
Access to the monthly **SSV News** sent to your school to keep you up to date with school sport in Victoria	✔	✔	✔
ENGAGING STUDENTS IN THE VALUE OF SCHOOL SPORT:			
Eligibility for your school to nominate students for **volunteer roles** at SSV Championship events	✔	✔	✔
Access to participate in the Victorian Institute of Sport's '**Be Fit. Be Well**.' program.* (free for Government schools)	✔		
ACCESSING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND NETWORKING FOR PRINCIPALS AND TEACHERS:			
Staff eligible to be appointed to **Team Vic Officials roles**, to support Team Vic team participation in School Sport Australia Championships	✔	✔	✔
Staff eligible to be appointed to **SSV Coordinator roles**, to support delivery of school sport at a District, Division and/or Region level	✔	✔	
Staff eligible to nominate for the **SSV Advisory Committee**	✔	✔	✔
Staff eligible to participate in **professional development opportunities** (e.g. coaching sessions) provided by SSV and/or partners	✔	✔	✔
Access for staff to participate in the annual **Victorian Teachers' Games** *	✔	✔	✔

* Note: these benefits are not exclusively for SSV Member Schools.

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