

BAS After School Sport – Parent FAQ's

Q. My child wants to play a BAS after school sport that they have never played before. Is that ok?

A. Yes. The after school sports program is an opportunity for students to try something new. Many sports have a weekly training session that will allow them to pick up some of the skills.

Q. Do the students have to 'try out' to be a part of a team?

A. For some sports, yes. Especially if there are too many students for the number of teams we can enter. We do however attempt to ensure that all students who want to play, can play and are put into a team.

Q. My child isn't interested in playing a sport, but instead would like to umpire, referee or help coach. Can they be involved in this way?

A. Yes. We are always on the lookout for netball umpires, basketball and soccer referees. Students in years 10-12 can also be involved in coaching a team and this will go towards their CPDA hours (year 11/12 only).

Q. Do the students wear their sports uniform to school on the day they are playing BAS after school sport?

A. No, not unless they have Phys Ed that day. Students are required to get changed into their sports uniform at the end of the day, before they get on the bus. Most sports will be played in full DC sports uniform. Any football jumpers, netball dresses or basketball singlets remain property of DC and must be returned either after each match or at the end of the term.

Q. Where do the students get changed?

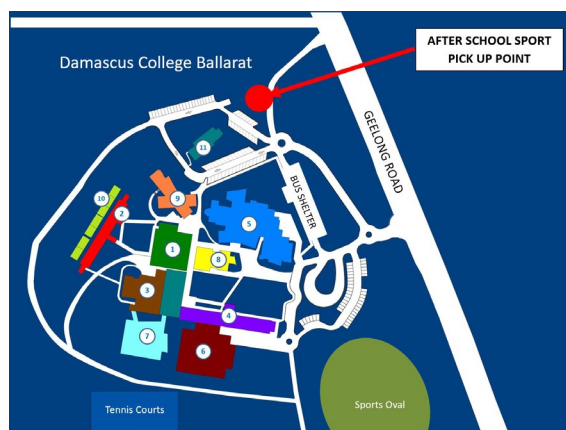
A. In the change room areas near the JSC. Under no circumstances are students to get changed on the bus.

Q. Is there a safe place for students to leave their hockey stick, cricket gear etc?

A. Yes. They can drop their gear off to the JSC in the morning and collect it from there at the end of the day.

Q. How do the students get to the venue?

A. Students will travel by bus to the venue departing from the area behind the temporary uniform shop at Damascus College at the end of the school day (approx. 3.30pm). See map below.

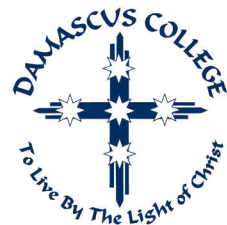


Q. Do the teams play at the same venue each week?

A. Not necessarily. Venues will be communicated to parents/students via the daily messages on SIMON and they will also be posted on the College's Facebook page. Draws will also be displayed on the noticeboard in the JSC.

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Q. What happens if the weather turns bad and it is not safe to play?

A. We attempt to make a call early if a game looks as though it needs to be abandoned due to poor weather so that all students affected can be notified. Any changes will be reflected on the Facebook page and communicated to students via email. Should the change be made on the day of competition, a text message will be sent home.

Q. What time are the students to be collected from the venue?

A. Most sports will be completed by 5.00pm. Others finish at 5.15pm or 5.30pm. Students are to be collected from the venue by a parent or guardian at the time communicated by the teacher in charge.

Q. Will there be adult supervision?

A. All teams will have a staff supervisor assigned to the team and they will be in attendance at all games.

Q. Will Damascus enter teams into all sports?

A. No. All sports will be offered to the student body, however if we don't get enough numbers to fill a team, we will not enter that competition.

Q. Can students play more than one sport?

A. Certainly. We encourage students to try a number of different sports throughout the year.

Q. Does the BAS after school sport program cost families any money?

A. Yes and No. The school pays an annual subscription fee for teams to be entered. The only cost involved for families is the cost of the following uniform items – football shorts, football/soccer/hockey socks and basketball shorts. Cost of these items TBC closer to the competition. Mouthguards are compulsory for some sports, as are shin guards.

Q. Is playing equipment provided?

A. Yes. Hockey sticks, cricket bats/pads etc are all supplied. If students have their own gear, they are free to use their own, however we don't expect parents to go out and buy a hockey stick for only 5 or 6 games.

Q. Who do I contact if I have any questions regarding the BAS after school sport program?

A. Email the Sport Coordinator, Mrs Nikki Hexter at n.hexter@damascus.vic.edu.au

Q. How do students sign up?

A. An email will be sent out with a link for students to sign up.

Visit the College website for specific information on each sport.

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