Year 9-12

Elite Basketball Development Program 2016/2017

APPLICATION PROCESS
Information for Prospective Athletes

The Elite Basketball Development Program has been established to assist talented basketball players to achieve at the highest levels of performance in their sport and to help develop their educational, emotional and social wellbeing. The program also provides structures and processes to support students accessing a range of post school options, including overseas Colleges.

The aims of the program are to provide players access to:

- A flexible, supportive and “athlete friendly” academic environment. The academic program covers essential learning in the MYP and SACE, along with individualised education pathway plans.
- Quality coaching from Southern Tigers and SA Country in the College gym and at other stadiums.
- Competition & individualised and team training opportunities matched to the athlete’s development and potential.
- Sport Science services such as fitness testing, performance analysis, sports psychology, nutrition and physiotherapy.
- Work Experience and Career Education support and planning.
- An extensive Personal Development program specific to the student.

Support will be provided through the Elite Basketball Development Planning to assist student-athletes to balance their demanding schedules and achieve success at school as well as in their personal and sporting lives.

Criteria for selection

The selection of students into the program is based upon their ability to meet the following criteria

- High level of ability and performance in both a training and competitive environment
- Positive and enthusiastic attitude to support their personal development.
- High potential for future development and growth in Basketball.
- High level of coachability that enables all individuals to seek and accept a variety of feedback
- High level of ability to improve their skills and knowledge in all aspects of their schooling.
- Provide a positive role model for others in their approach to learning, school rules and behaviour.
- Must play/compete for a district basketball club.
Conditions of the Enrolment
By accepting an offer for a position in Elite Basketball Development Program, a student must agree to the terms and conditions specified by the 'Elite Basketball Development Expectations'.

Students are Expected to:
- Demonstrate a willingness, desire and commitment to developing their own skills and knowledge within basketball.
- Complete all required school work and tasks, thoroughly and on time to the best of their ability.
- Be prepared for each lesson with appropriate EBDP uniform, footwear and equipment.
- Continually strive to improve their skills and knowledge in all aspects of their schooling.
- Provide a positive role model for others in their approach to learning, school rules and behaviour.
- Be active participants in Sports Day (minimum of 5 events)
- Be available to represent the school in their basketball
- Abide by the spirit and rules of basketball, behave in a dignified manner when representing Encounter Lutheran College and accept victory and defeat with dignity and grace.
- Maintain a minimum of ‘C’ grade average in all subjects.
- Participate in sporting exchanges/camps interstate.

Funding for Players
Acceptance into the Encounter Lutheran College Elite Basketball Development Program (EBDP) in a particular year means that a student has been granted significant extra privileges by the College to cover specialist sport training sessions, venue hire costs, transport to and from training, access to sport science services including fitness advisors, performance analysts, physiotherapist screening, sports psychology advice and diet/nutrition staff.

Annual Fees
As participation in the Encounter Lutheran College EBDP is voluntary, not all costs will be covered within the College’s tuition fees. An annual fee is set by the College and contributes to costs associated with the program and covers items such as excursions, guest speakers, celebrations, coaches and equipment use. Some excursions will incur additional costs, especially where accommodation and transport are required. Parents will be given advanced notice of major excursions to assist with planning and budgeting.

The basic fee is $290 per year. This amount is reviewed annually and parents will be informed of any likely changes for 2017.
Application Process

1. Please complete the EBDP Player Application (to be obtained from College)

2. Attach photocopies of all school reports from 2016, plus the most recent NAPLAN report. The student applicant or family should submit ALL this documentation with their player application.

3. Remove Cover and Information Pages before submitting application

4. Ask a coach who has coached your child for some time to complete the Confidential Reference and return it separately to the College.

5. Submit the Athlete Application before the end of Term 3. Please note that the coach’s confidential reference is also due at this time.

6. The Athlete Application is thoroughly reviewed to gauge whether the student-athlete meets the criteria for the program. A key aim is to ensure the balance between academic achievement and sporting excellence can be achieved. Academic records for the previous year are reviewed with particular attention given to student’s conduct, effort and participation comments.

7. If successful at both review of academic reports and coach reference, a school-based interview may be required.

8. Student-Players will be notified by letter on the success of their application.

9. IMPORTANT: Progressive and Annual Reviews. Acceptance into Encounter Lutheran College EBDP at a particular Year Level does not lead to automatic acceptance in the following year. Student progress and achievement is reviewed throughout each year and requires the student to consistently satisfy academic, conduct and sporting criteria.