Elim Christian College Mt Albert

Tuesday 25th February 2025

Year 9 and 10 Sports Camp Application and Trials Letter

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We have the exciting opportunity to return to the Junior High Sports Camp in May. Sports Camp is a full week of competitive sport that will see our best Year 9 & 10 athletes compete against other schools in various sports. <u>This letter is to inform you of the upcoming trials for the squad.</u>

Sports Camp details

Dates: Monday 5th May – Friday 9th May 2025
Venue: Totara Springs Christian Centre, Matamata
Cost: Expected between \$400-\$500 per student. The cost will be confirmed prior to camp and includes all meals, transport and accommodation for the week.

Weekly Practices: All selected students must attend weekly team practices leading up to camp. Practices will be on <u>Friday afternoons from 3:30-5:30pm</u>.

The selection process for Sports Camp is very rigorous, with limited spaces for students. Students wishing to be considered for a space in the team <u>must attend all trials</u> and participate the best they can. Due to the competitiveness of the camp, <u>not all who trial will be selected</u>. The selection process is up to the discretion of those in charge of running the trials, who will select students they believe to best embody the <u>sport skills</u> and <u>attitudes</u> that best represent our school.

These include:

- Experience, knowledge and understanding of a variety of sports
- A high competency level of sport fundamental skills such as passing, catching, kicking, shooting and throwing
- A team player, someone whose primary concern is the success of the team
- A high level of fitness
- Good at managing self someone who will be on time, be prepared with all the correct gear and is able to manage their emotions on and off the field
- Excellent sportsmanship
- Portrays Elim Christian College Mt Albert Character, who is kind, respectful, diligent & courageous

Lunchtime Trial Dates for any interested Y9-10 students (trials held on site):

| Tuesday 4th March | 1:30-2:00pm | Lunchtime |
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| Wednesday 5th March | 1:30-2:00pm | Lunchtime |
| <mark>Friday 7th March</mark> | 3:30-4:30pm | |
| Monday 10th March | 3:10pm | Squad list posted on the Sports Noticeboard in the Hall |
| Friday 14th March | 3:30-5:30pm | Weekly practices begin for squad |

In trialling for the team, if selected, students must also be available to attend all training sessions for the duration of the lead up to Sports Camp. <u>These training sessions will be on Friday afternoons from</u> <u>3:30-5:30pm</u> as this will be essential for the preparation of the teams.

Application Form

Please sit down with your child and go through this application form together. Please note: this does not guarantee your child a place in the squad. <u>https://forms.gle/T7u1TdLLubebUDfz6</u>

If your child is unable to make any of the trial dates or if you have any questions about camp, please get in contact with me.

Yours sincerely, **Sam MacKenzie** *PE Teacher / Secondary Sport coordinator* <u>sam.mackenzie@elimmtalbert.school.nz</u>