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APS Sport Inclusion Framework

THE RATIONALE:

APS Inc. (**APS Sport**) supports the right of all students to access the same opportunities to school sport as their peers. All schools and school sporting structures have a legal and a moral obligation to provide the same access, where appropriate, to school sport for all students. Sport is an important part of life and has significant social, health and wellbeing benefits.

THE INTENT:

APS Sport will work with its Member schools and other school sport stakeholders to ensure, where possible, that opportunities are provided for all students. Inclusion encompasses a holistic approach where reasonable provisions for students to participate in APS Sport programs will be made in ways that are engaging, constructive and achieve meaningful outcomes.

COMMUNICATION:

APS Sport Member schools may already have their own guidelines for inclusion in place. Communication between schools is important, however all concerned must be mindful of privacy and confidentiality.

EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

Exceptional circumstances will only be considered after all other options have been exhausted and safety concerns remain.

Consideration of applying exceptional circumstances will be done on a case by case basis by the APS Heads with information and recommendations from the Delegates.

IMPLEMENTATION

All schools will be notified of this Framework via email. It will be made available on request from the APS Sport office.

ENDORSEMENT

This Framework was endorsed by the APS Heads on 4 September 2018

REVIEW

This Framework is to be reviewed every two (2) years.