



# PRINCIPAL ENDORSEMENT PROCESS

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The Team Vic online registration to trial process opens up on a per needs basis - depending on the timing of the trials and the School Sport Australia Championships. Further information about the online registration to trial process, including dates, is available at the [2025 Sport & Registration Dates](#) page.

There is no longer a requirement for Principals to endorse students at the time of the trials via a printed endorsement form. Instead, Principals are only required to endorse students who are selected for state representative teams.

We encourage Families, Schools and Principals to follow the below guidance as a way of trying to ensure that suitably skilled students are registering to trial for what is a competitive, representative pathway – it is NOT a process designed to 'prepare students for the next year' or as a 'come and try' session.

**Step 1:** Prior to registering, interested students and their family must consult with their school Principal.

Principals may wish to discuss the child's suitability to trial with the student's classroom teacher, as well as physical education staff. Schools may elect to run an in-school trial to finalise their student endorsements. For the following teams each school is only allowed to endorse a **maximum of three (3)** students to participate in the selection trials:

- 12 Years & Under Boys Australian Football
- 12 Years & Under Boys Basketball
- 12 Years & Under Girls Basketball
- 12 Years & Under Boys Cricket
- 12 Years & Under Boys Football (Soccer)
- 12 Years & Under Girls Netball

**Step 2:** The family of the student can then proceed to register their child online.

**Step 3:** SSV staff will contact the necessary schools if more than 3 students are registered and will ask the school to endorse 3 students. If a school is not in a position to endorse 3 students, SSV will request that schools hold 'in-school' trial to narrow the number of trialists and to notify SSV of the outcome. Schools could include the following components as a part of an 'in school' trial i.e.:

- Speed / agility assessment
- Endurance test
- Basic skills assessment i.e. kicking a ball on both feet accurately over a range of distances; or shooting a ball from different sides of the court / different ranges
- Game / match simulation

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**Step 4:** After the State Trials are conducted, The Principal of a student who has been selected as a member of a Team Vic team will be asked to endorse the participation of the student as a Team Vic student athlete. Teams will not be announced until this endorsement from Principals is received. Successful students in State Trials will then be announced as team members and receive further documentation in relation to their position on the Team Vic team.



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