



TOUCH PREMIER SEASON ENTRY INFORMATION 2019

Dates:	11 February – 20 March 2019 (Premier Girls and Boys) 11 February – 11 March 2019 (Premier and Senior A Mixed)
Grades, Days & Times:	Girls (Premier) Mondays 4:15pm, 5pm rounds Mixed (Premier & Snr A) Mondays 4pm-6:30pm Boys (Premier) Wednesdays 4:15, 5pm rounds
Venue:	Girls – Mt Albert Grammar School Boys – Dilworth College Mixed – Cox's Bay Reserve
Age Groups:	Students must be Under 19 as at 1 January 2019 to participate

College Sport Auckland, with consultation from schools, have confirmed the structure for 2019 Premier Season.

Therefore, we are only having a Senior A Grade in the Mixed competition and Premier Grade in Mixed, Girls and Boys competitions.

Premier Grade Boys and Mixed	8 Teams – Premier rules apply (NTS = 4 players)
Premier Grade Girls	6 Teams – Premier rules apply (NTS = 4 players)
Senior A Grade Mixed	8 Teams - All Premier eligibility rules apply (NTS = 4 players)

Zones

The zonal competition will continue to be played on Tuesday afternoons – see separate Entry information for more details.

Promotion Relegation Formats:

Premier Mixed & Senior A Mixed

- Top 7 teams in the 2019 Premier Mixed Grade will retain their place for 2020.
- The winner of the Senior A Mixed Grade will gain automatic entry into the 2020 Premier Grade.
- The 8th place team in the Premier Mixed Grade competition is automatically relegated to the Senior A Mixed competition in 2020.

Premier Girls & Boys, Senior A & Senior Mixed Zones

- The bottom two teams in the 2019 Senior A Mixed and Premier Girls & Boys Grades will play in promotion/relegation rounds with the top team from each of the Girls & Boys A Grade zones and Mixed Grade zones from the 2019 season.
- These 8 teams will play a round robin within two pools of triple headers, over one night in the final week of the season between 18 – 20 March 2019.
- Other teams in all grades NOT involved in these P/R playoffs will play their own play off games within this week as well.
- The top team from each pool of the P/R playoffs will qualify for Senior A Mixed and Premier Girls and Boys Grades for 2020.

NZSSC Qualifying process

There are no automatic qualifiers from the College Sport Premier Touch Competition for the NZ Secondary Schools Touch Nationals in 2019

NZ Touch will hold a qualifying tournament for all teams, which is open entry, for the Auckland Zones into the NZSS Touch Nationals.

Game Dates and Playing Times:

Term 1	Mon Prem Girls Prem/Snr A Mixed	Tues Senior Zones	Wed Prem Boys
11 Feb – 15 Feb	RR		RR
18 Feb – 22 Feb	RR	RR	RR
25 Feb – 1 Mar	RR	RR	RR
4 Mar – 8 Mar	RR	RR	RR
11 Mar – 15 Mar	RR (Prem) Semi Final/ Finals (Mixed)	RR	No play – Polyfest
18 Mar – 22 Mar	Finals (Prem) Bottom 2 (Prem)– P/R Playoffs	Semi Finals/Finals P/R Play Offs	Finals Bottom 2 – P/R Playoffs

Games shall be **13-minute** halves with a **2-minute** half time break, and 17 minutes between games.

Team Entries, Lists and Registrations

- Teams who have qualified for the Term 1 Premier Competition have been entered on [EnterNOW](#)
- All Premier Eligibility Rules apply to Premier and Senior A Grades.
- Team registrations with player names must be submitted in the Premier Tab in EnterNOW no later than **Monday 4 February 2019**.
- Additional or replacement players must be registered with College Sport *before* they take the field.
- A team on any given day may consist of up to 14 players. However, a team squad of 16 (max) can be named. A maximum of 6 are allowed on the field at any one time; a minimum of 4 players are required for the match to be played.

Players may only be registered in 1 team; boys, girls or mixed, and may only play in that 1 team for the duration of the season (as per the National Touch rules).

Fees

- As per EnterNOW
- College Sport will invoice schools.
- Teams withdrawn after the entry closing date will still be liable for the entry fee.

Team Management

- All teams must have a teacher or adult with them at every game. This person is to complete the score sheet before and after the game where needed, be aware of any medical problems of players in the team, implement the rules of the competition, and supervise the players. Teams without supervision may lose by default.
- Each team is responsible for their own first aid. Teams are also responsible for picking up any rubbish. before leaving

Results

- The Zone Convenor, each week, collects all scorecards and results are sent to College Sport on the morning after the games for processing.
- It is the school's responsibility to check (weekly), the accuracy of results on the website www.collegesport.co.nz, and advise of any corrections or disputes. Please allow 2 days after game day for processing to occur.
- Corrections to results will not be accepted within 2 days of a semi-final or final.

Officials / Duties

- Teams must sign in with the Zone Convenor when they arrive each week.

Uniforms

All members of participating must wear matching uniforms of their school appropriate to the sport. Failure to wear appropriate uniforms may result in the team forfeiting the match.

Rules

A copy of the Rules & Regulations will be loaded on the College Sport App and website. The College Sport bylaws and policy on withdrawals, defaults & rescheduled matches, are also be available online.