



Young Sportsperson of the Year Nominations

The College Sport Auckland Young Sportsperson of the Year Awards will be held **Thursday 23rd November 2023, 6.30pm-10.00pm**, at the **North Level 5 Lounge, Eden Park** to recognise and celebrate outstanding sporting achievement in the following categories:

1. Sports
2. All-rounders
3. Athletes with a Disability
4. Service to Secondary School Sport
5. Student Coach of the Year
6. Student Official of the Year
7. National Team Champions
8. International Achievement
9. Olympic and Commonwealth Games Achievement

Nominations for all categories must be from the eligible sport list on page 2.

All individual nominations must be submitted in EnterNOW by 11am on Wednesday 13th September 2023.

Schools must be a member of College Sport Auckland to nominate students. Schools:

- May nominate more than one student in the same category.
- May nominate students for more than one category.
- Must have endorsement for all nominations from the Principal.
- Should not attempt to anticipate the winner and not nominate a student who could become a finalist.
- All student nominees must be enrolled at a CSA member school by the end of Term 3 within the current year of nomination.

Nominated students:

- Must have met the eligibility requirements in the College Sport Auckland Bylaws; and,
- shown commitment to College Sport Auckland competitions and regularly represented their school in their nominated sport in the current year (regularly is defined as over 50% of games played or events competed in*); and,
- excelled in their sport – we are looking for elite sportspeople who have excelled in the current year; and
- competed in the senior** or highest level in the College Sport Auckland competitions for their nominated sport.
- Shall be year 11-13 only unless they are an outstanding year 9-10 student.
- Must be available to attend the awards unless they are away at a top-level sporting event.

An accurate summary of achievement, performance, and level of competition for the sport must be submitted with the athlete's nomination in EnterNOW. Nominees will only be judged on the information provided.

Students will be judged primarily on their performance in senior* or highest-level secondary school competitions from 1 November 2022 – 31 October 2023, not on their potential.

**If the student did not participate in a sanctioned College Sport Auckland competition, they need to provide documentation to prove this was due to international commitments or injury, or due to their school not being able to field a team.*

***Performance at intermediate level may be considered where age restriction prevents the student competing at senior level for sports e.g., athletics, swimming, etc.*

1. Sports

Each eligible sport will have up to three finalists named per gender. From these finalists, one male and one female winner will be announced at the awards. The overall Young Sportsman & Sportswoman of the Year will be selected from these category winners.

The following sports are eligible for nominations:

Archery	Rugby League
Athletics	Rock Climbing
Badminton	Snowsports
Basketball	Softball
Cricket	Squash
Cycling	Swimming
Distance Running (incl. Cross Country & Road Race)	Table Tennis
Football	Tennis
Golf	Touch
Gymsports	Triathlon (incl. Aquathon, Duathlon & Triathlon)
Hockey	Ultimate
Ki o Rahi	Underwater Hockey
Lacrosse (Girls)	Volleyball
Netball	Waka Ama
Orienteering	Water Polo
Rowing	Weightlifting
Rugby Union	Yachting

2. All Rounders

The All-Rounder Award recognizes all those students who have reached high levels in at least three sports. Nominees must have competed in at least three sports from the list above at senior level. These sports must require a different training regime and skill set for the nominee to be identified as a true all-rounder.

Nominees must be a:

- National age group representative; and/or
- Regional age group representative; and/or
- Regionally ranked performer; and/or
- Top 3 individual/team place getter at a College Sport Auckland Championship event; and/or
- Top 10 individual/team place getter at a National Championship event.

3. Athletes with a Disability

The award for the most outstanding achievement by a young sportswoman and sportsman with a disability.

There will be up to three finalists named per gender. From these finalists, one male and one female winner will be announced at the awards.

Nominees must show how they have overcome adversity to achieve in their field(s).

Nominees must have competed in any College Sport Auckland sanctioned Able bodied competition or event and/or Para sports event (Athletics, Swimming, Triathlon, Table Tennis, Sailing)

This category is designed for those with a permanent disability, not a short-term injury, sprained ankle etc.

Answer the below three key questions:

- Explain how the athlete has overcome adversity to achieve in his/her field(s)
- Briefly describe the nature of the disability
- Detail the extent of participation and the level of achievement

4. Service to Secondary School Sport

This award recognizes individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to inter-secondary school sport over a length of time as an administrator, coach, and/or official succeeding 10 years. Nominations must outline the nominee's involvement in sport at school, regional, and/or national level.

5. Active Student Coach of the Year

This award will be presented to an individual who:

- shows outstanding leadership through their commitment to coaching;
- contributes positively to their school's sporting culture; and
- is engaged in opportunities to develop their coaching.

Nominations must outline the nominee's coaching involvement, including any coaching development programmes the student has been involved in, and explain why they deserve to be named College Sport Auckland's Student Coach of the Year.

6. Active Student Official of the Year

This award will be presented to an individual who:

- shows leadership through their commitment as an official;
- contributes positively to their schools sporting culture; and
- is engaged in opportunities to develop as an official.

Nominations must outline the nominee's officiating involvement, including any official development programmes the student has been involved in, and explain why they deserve to be named College Sport Auckland's Student Official of the Year.

7. National Team Champions Roll of Honour

All teams who have won a New Zealand Secondary School Senior Championship title from 1 November 2022 to 31 October 2023 will be recognized in the Roll of Honour at the awards. Teams must be nominated in EnterNOW by 1 November 2023.

New Zealand Secondary School Team Champions will be recognized for the following sports:

Athletics (4x100m & 4x400m)	Rugby League
Badminton	Rugby Union
Basketball	Softball
Cricket	Squash
Cross Country (3 or 6-person team)	Swimming (4x50 Free or 4x50 Medley)
Cycling	Table Tennis
Football	Tennis
Golf	Touch
Hockey	Triathlon (Team Tag)
Ki o Rahi	Ultimate
Lacrosse (Girls)	Underwater Hockey
Netball	Volleyball
Orienteering	Waka Ama
Road Running (3 or 6-person team)	Water Polo
Rowing	Yachting (Team Racing)

8. International Achievement

The International Achievement Award recognizes those students who have reached an extremely high standard on the international stage in a sport sanctioned by College Sport Auckland. Students who have met the criteria for their sport also cannot receive an International Achievement Award – this award is to acknowledge any students who may have missed out on receiving their sport award due to international commitments. Recipients of this award are not eligible to receive the overall Young Sportsperson of the Year Award.

9. Olympic and Commonwealth Achievement

Nominees must have represented New Zealand at the Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, Youth Olympic Games, or Open World Championships will be recognized for their achievement at these events.