



Young Sportsperson of the Year Nominations

The College Sport Auckland Young Sportsperson of the Year Awards will be held **Thursday 28th November 2024, 6.30pm-10.00pm**, at the **North Level 5 Lounge, Eden Park** to recognize and celebrate outstanding sporting achievement in the following categories:

1. Sporting Excellence
2. All-rounders
3. Athletes with a Disability
4. Service to Secondary School Sport
5. Active Student Coach of the Year
6. Active Student Official of the Year
7. National Team Champions (Roll of Honour)
8. International Achievement
9. Olympic Achievement

Nominations for all categories must be from the eligible sport list on page 2. All entries are to have a photo (either in school uniform or a Sport photo) attached to their YSPOTY entry through EnterNow.

All individual nominations must be submitted in EnterNOW by 11am on Monday 14th October 2024.

Please note: The additional entry information process after the closing date has changed from previous years. We have extended the entry's closing date to reflect the time additional information would have been added. Please indicate on the form any national/international competitions that the student will/may be participating in during the window of October 14 – October 31 so we are aware of this during the ratification process. Any additional information that needs to be submitted (i.e. achievements in the window of 14 October to 31 October) needs to be emailed to school.sport@collegesport.co.nz

Schools:

- Must be a member of College Sport Auckland to nominate students.
- Must have endorsement for all nominations from the Principal.
- May nominate more than one student in the same category.
- May nominate students for more than one category.
- All student nominees must be enrolled at a CSA member school by the end of Term 2 within the current year of nomination.

Nominated students must have:

- met the eligibility requirements in the College Sport Auckland Bylaws.
- 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. If the student did not participate in a sanctioned College Sport Auckland competition, they need to provide documentation to explain the reason for not taking part.
- excelled in their sport
- competed in the highest level in the College Sport Auckland competitions for their nominated sport.
- year 11-13 only unless they are an outstanding junior student.

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 2023 – 14 October 2024, not on their potential.

1. Sporting Excellence

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

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

This award recognizes all 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.

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. This award can only be given to recipients once.

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 Active 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 Active 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 2023 to 14 October 2024 will be recognized in the Roll of Honour at the awards. All Member schools will receive an email with a form to enter Roll of Honour Teams.

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 recognises those students who have reached an outstanding standard on the international stage in a sport sanctioned by College Sport Auckland but have not taken part in a College Sport Auckland competition/event due to international commitments. Students who have met the criteria for their sport are not eligible for an International Achievement Award. Recipients of this award are not eligible to receive the overall Young Sportsperson of the Year Award.

9. Olympic Achievement

Award recognizing students who have represented New Zealand at the Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games, or Open World Championships.