

CHRISTCHURCH JUNIOR CRICKET ASSOCIATION

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- To reflect change to two CJCA Tier 1 teams in the January Canterbury Festivals instead of three

Selection of CJCA teams - Year 6 to Year 8

Introduction:

Players involved in CJCA Festivals will have the opportunity to be selected into CJCA teams for Interdistricts exchanges (generally March and sometimes December) and in Festivals each January. The main purpose of these games and Festivals is to provide all players with the opportunity to further develop their skills in higher levels of cricket.

By the end of Year 6, 7 and 8 Spring Festival all Boys may self-nominate to be considered for placement into Festival teams co-ordinated by the CJCA – only the CJCA Red & Black teams to participate in the Tier 1 Canterbury Festival are selected on the criteria below all other teams are constructed on a basis to create even teams for these Festivals. This includes ensuring there is fair distribution of players who have skills needed by the team i.e. style of batter, type of bowler and wicket keepers will need to be spread. Players able to show leadership are also considered.

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- 1. Players must be involved in CJCA Festivals. To enhance selection players should attend all days of the event. Where a player is injured, sick or has a genuine reason why they cannot attend all/any games then they need to contact the Grade Manager. In these cases the other criteria for selection will be used.
- 2. Performance over the CJCA Festival.
- 3. Previous performances at CJCA Festivals, January Festivals and Interdistricts games this is more applicable for year 7 & 8 selections where the grade manager will have performance data on all players.
- 4. Attitude, work ethic, self-motivation, fielding, fitness
- 5. Character on and off the field team fit
- 6. Feedback from Pre-season coaches Year 8 only
- 7. Pre-Festival Assessments
- 8. Perceived potential

Selectors:

The CJCA selection committee will select players who uphold the values of the Christchurch Junior Cricket Association and who demonstrate positive attitudes, sportsmanship, and a passion for the game of cricket.

The selectors for the Year 8 Canterbury Tier 1 Festival will comprise of an independent selector, Grade Convenor & coaches identified prior to the Year 8 Spring Festival as being parents of players who would likely make the team and who have the necessary skills and attitude to lead each of the teams. Generally the coaches have observed all the boys in the cohort and have built up a solid knowledge of the boys and their playing abilities.

Following the selection of the TWO Canterbury Tier 1 teams the selection group can be widened to create additional teams to enter the new Festival which is now run concurrently with the traditional event