



KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL

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SPORT/PRIVATE COACHING POLICY – BOARDING

Permission for a boarder at King Edward VII School to participate in sport/private coaching off campus is at the discretion of the Deputy Headmaster in charge of Boarding. This can however be revoked by the Headmaster. Furthermore, permission to attend any sport/private coaching off campus is done on a term to term basis.

We fully understand that in certain instances, especially individual sports such as swimming, tennis, athletics, squash and the likes thereof, that the learner may need extra assistance/coaching that we are unable to provide.

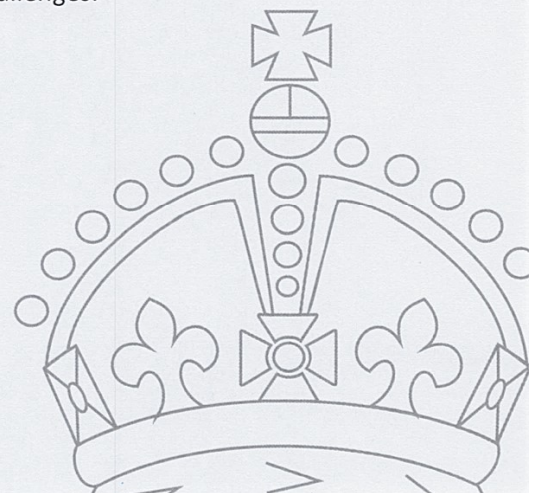
We don't want to prevent your son/ward excelling in his chosen sport or activity. However, there are logistics that we must adhere to and your son's wellbeing in the Boarding House and at School is paramount to us. Each application is discussed directly with the parent and learner concerned.

No application related to off-site team sports will be entertained.

Parents must understand that running a boarding establishment effectively is difficult and having boarders off campus at a variety of non-school activities becomes difficult to control when each Boarding House ranges from 80 – 170 learners. Ensuring that each learner has received his supper, showered and done his prep/studying for the following day becomes an arduous task when any number of learners are off campus doing private coaching/club sport.

For your son to attend external coaching the following criteria must be met:

- Permission for a learner/boarder to be involved in a sport/private coaching off campus must be done in writing one school week before the first practice.
- It must preferably be an 'in season sport'. Coaching outside the prescribed season needs to be discussed and dealt with accordingly as it poses its own challenges.
- Non-school recognised sports/activities are not allowed.



- He must be actively involved in a school sport/part of a school team in that term.
- This privilege is valid for one term only and must be renewed/reviewed at the end of each term after an academic report has been submitted.
- Acceptable behaviour at school, as well as the Boarding House, is a prerequisite.
- Learners/Boarders must report back into the House by no later than 20H00 the same day.
- No learner/boarder may sleep out/home on the day/evening of his club/private coaching commitment.
- Any injuries incurred at the club sport/private coaching are **not** the responsibility of the School.
- Under **NO** circumstances may a learner/boarder be allowed permission to leave on Saturday until final call-over.
- A learner/boarder may not under any circumstances 'de-select' himself from a sporting team or cultural activity in order to attend this external activity.
- All travel arrangements are the responsibility of the parent. The School/Boarding House will not be held responsible for any travel arrangements to and from these activities. Furthermore, the Boarding Establishment/School will not be accountable for any problems that may arise due to travel/transport. The School and/or Boarding Establishment cannot from a financial nor time perspective, use the school's transport for private coaching. The school transport is used for learners each day to get other sporting codes to their official practices and fixtures.
- Travel arrangements must be explained in writing to the respective Senior Housemaster. If an Uber taxi or the likes thereof is used, this to needs to be explained to the Senior Housemaster so they are aware of the travel arrangements. Similarly, being transported by anyone other person/s other than the parent or legal guardian also needs to be explained as well. This is for your son's/ward's own safety.
- Learners/Boarders must report in and out from the Duty Master at the Boarding House as per normal House Rules.

S Thorne
Deputy Headmaster

A Ridley/E Marx/C Hammond
Senior Housemaster

I,, have received the private coaching policy on behalf of my son,
....., I have read, understood and support the contents of the letter.

Parent

Date