



# DHS COUNTRY WEEK 2025 BULLETIN #2



**Monday 22 to Thursday 25 September**

## Draft Fixtures

Drafts for all sports (except Badminton) have been uploaded onto the SSWA website. Please have a look and let me know if you can see any issues.

## Travel Grant

All Department of Education schools have access to the Travel Grant, information will be provided on your invoice advising the amount that your school will receive and what is remaining to be paid. If School Sport WA owes your school money due to the subsidy being more than the nomination fee then your school will simply invoice SSWA for this amount.

## Country Week Assistance Payment

The Premier has made an election commitment to provide a cost-of-living benefit to all students attending Senior High School (SHS) or District High School (DHS) Country Week. This payment is intended to offset the cost of participation in these events.

- Students from schools located less than 300 km from Perth will receive \$250 each.
- Students from schools located more than 300 km from Perth will receive \$500 each.

Funds will be provided to schools and either passed directly to parents or, as will be the case in most schools, incorporated into excursion charges to reduce the overall cost of attendance.

On the first day of DHS Country Week, School Coordinators will receive a link to an online form. They will be required to formally confirm their school name and the number of participating students. This information will be used to determine each school's allocation.

Once final numbers are confirmed:

- Public schools will receive reimbursement through a targeted initiative.
- Non-government schools will receive direct payments.

## Playing Venues

***Please note the change of venues from 2024.***

Badminton – Herb Graham Recreation Centre

Basketball (Boys, Girls & Mixed) – Warwick Stadium

Futsal – Herb Graham Recreation Centre

Hockey (Mixed) – Troy Pickard Hockey Centre (Next to Warwick Stadium)

Netball (Girls) – Kingsway Indoor Sports Centre

Volleyball (Mixed) – Warwick Stadium

## Active Achievers

Nominations are open. It would be fantastic to have all schools represented. Information is on the SSWA website on the [DHS Country Week Active Achievers](#). Nominations will close on Friday 12 September.

## School Information Forms

A reminder that this was due last Friday 22 August. Thank you to the 12 schools who have successfully completed this document. This document is available on the following link [School Information Forms](#)

## **Bona Fides**

These are due by Friday 5 September and are available on the following link [Bona Fides](#)

## **Opening Ceremony MCs**

The use of Student MCs for the Opening Ceremony is a valued part of Country Week and a great opportunity for students who are confident public speakers. If you have a student or students from your school who would like to MC the Opening Ceremony can you please let me know. This also applies for any student/s who can perform the Acknowledgement of Country.

## **Service Awards**

School Sport WA will use data provided on the [School Information Form](#) to identify Service Award recipients. Schools also have the ability to nominate staff using the nomination form on the following link [Service Awards](#).

## **SSWA Country Week Merchandise**

School Sport WA has an agreement with Sports Centre for the provision of Merchandise items at key events. Details regarding the available apparel was circulated to all School Country Week Coordinators on Monday 25 August. Use this link, <https://shorturl.at/2zUYx> , to access the online store.

## **Invoices**

These will be issued in the week beginning Monday 8 September or earlier if we can. Invoices will be based on the confirmed nominations.