



23 October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

St Edward's Football Academy | Expression of Interest Process

The St Edward's Football Academy continues to be offered as an initiative for students at the College. The Football Academy is designed to provide students with an opportunity to supplement their current training and further develop their skills, fitness, and game play in football. The St Edward's Football Academy provides an engaging and creative training program for students, utilising the coaching and playing structures and philosophies from Football Federation Australia and the English Football Association.

The College is looking for students who have played football previously as part of a team outside of school and should be passionate about the 'beautiful game'. The experience will nurture a culture of commitment and engagement that positively promotes health and wellbeing for our students.

Under the direction of the highly qualified and experienced College coaching staff, students will be challenged to develop themselves both on and off the football field. Students will also gain further experience and qualifications in coaching and refereeing through our Academy partners Central Coast Football Association.

In 2026, positions in the St Edward's Football Academy will be offered to students in Years 7 through to Year 10. The program will be offered to a maximum of seventeen student participants in Year 8 2026 and will run from the beginning of Term 1.

Students who would like to be considered are asked to write a one-page expression of interest letter to the College Principal, addressing the key selection criteria outlined below. The closing date for applications is 3:00pm on Friday November 7 (Week 4) and should be emailed to:

principal@stedwards.nsw.edu.au

After the closing date, and in the event of too many applications, the Principal, Leader of Learning – Sport, and Football Academy coaching staff will determine the most appropriate students to attend a trial, according to the key selection criteria.



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Trial dates:

Week 7

Tuesday 25 November – 7:00am

Week 8

Tuesday 2 December - 7:00am

Key Selection Criteria

- A brief description of reasons for applying for a position in the St Edward's College Football Academy
- Demonstrated participation and support of the College Sporting Programs and Social Justice Program.
- Satisfactory achievement in the College Learner Profile.
- Currently representing a local or representative Football Club.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Bonnici
College Principal