

SCHOOL'S BEACH VOLLEYBALL FESTIVAL

FORMAT CHANGE SUMMARY

The finals structure of the Schools Beach Volleyball Festival has been evaluated to maximise the amount of beach volleyball that students get to experience.

PREVIOUS FORMAT (USED IN 2022)

The existing structure of the tournament has involved teams playing in pools in their age divisions during regular gameplay. The games being 15 minutes long with a point system rather than sets and points. The results of these matches were then considered with the following:

Win = 3 points

Loss = 1 point

No Draws

Based on this, teams would qualify for quarterfinals, semi-finals, and grand finals depending on the number of pools of the given age division. These would essentially depend on the number of teams.

While this format has allowed teams to play a final-based structure, it restricts the number of games teams get to play, along with large gaps between these, limiting the time teams are on court.

NEW FORMAT (2023)

VSA has taken into consideration the feedback from various stakeholders, including staff and schools, and with this in mind, we have decided to restructure the format of the Schools Beach Volleyball Festival.

With the new format, we will maintain the 15-minute length games along with the point system and results scores:

Win = 3 points

Loss = 1 point

No Draws

We will however be replacing the final structure, with regular gameplay results determining the final rankings of teams in each age division.

Teams would get the opportunity to play a larger range of teams as they would not be separated into several pools. Due to this, teams will have games throughout the day. Based on their overall points or match ratio (number of premiership points* by matches), teams would then be declared as winners and runners-up of the given age division.

VSA aims to have this tournament, results, and a live leader board on our website to increase accessibility for teams, similar to other tournaments such as the State Schools Cup, in addition to less wastage of paper.

*Premiership points refer to the points gained through the point system, which remains the same as in the previous format.