



## NSWCIS BACKGROUND

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In 1994 the Board of The Association of Independent Schools of NSW agreed to the establishment of the New South Wales Combined Independent Schools Sports Council (NSWCISSC) for the purpose of providing independent school students and staff with the opportunity to participate in State and National school sporting activities previously only available to those in State schools. The model chosen for this Council was designed to assist both existing and new Sporting Associations of schools to work together to achieve this objective. NSWCISSC commenced activities in 1995.

In the first stage of operation the relevant structures and sub-committees were established. These worked most efficiently and have provided benefits to those many gifted and talented sports people within the independent school sector seeking opportunities at the State and National level.

At the end of 2017 NSWCISSC became a company, a stand-alone entity with the schools becoming members of the council. A Board of Directors was elected to guide CIS into the future

To access the activities of the NSWCISSC, a student must first be a member of an existing independent school. The school needs to be a member NSWCISSC and affiliated to one of the Eligible Sporting Associations. The current Sporting Associations are the:

- AHIGS Sporting Committee - Independent Girls' Schools Sports Association (IGSSA) - Secondary
- Athletics Association of Greater Public Schools (GPS) - Secondary
- Association of Independent Co-Educational Schools (AICES) representing the following affiliate associations:
  - Combined District Schools Sports Association (CDSSA) - Secondary
  - Hills Zone Sports Association (HZSA) - Secondary
  - Hunter Region Independent Schools (HRIS) – Secondary
  - Independent Sydney & District Schools Sports Association (ISD) - Secondary
  - New Anglican Schools Sports Association (NASSA) – Secondary
  - Southern Anglican Schools Sports Association (SASSA) – Secondary
  - South West Independent Schools Sports Association (SWISA) - Secondary
  - Western Associated Schools (WAS) - Secondary
- All Suburbs Independent Schools Sports Association (ASISSA) - Primary
- Christian Schools Sports Association (CSSA) - Primary and Secondary
- Heads of Independent Co-Educational Schools (HICES) - Primary
- Hunter Region Independent Schools (HRIS) - Primary
- Independent Schools Association (ISA) - Secondary
- Independent Primary Schools Heads Association – (IPSHA) Primary
- New Anglican Schools Sports Association (NASSA) - Primary
- North Coast Sports Association (NCIS) - Secondary and Primary
- Riverina Associated Schools (RAS) - Secondary and Primary
- Southern Anglican Schools Sports Association (SASSA) - Primary
- The Associated Schools of NSW (CAS) - Secondary

Within this structure, some eighty thousand students are provided with the opportunity to participate in higher levels of sporting involvement in a wide variety of sports including:

**Secondary:** Athletics, Australian Football, Baseball, Basketball, Canoeing, Cricket, Cross Country, Diving, Golf, Hockey, Netball, Orienteering, Rugby League, Sailing, Football (Soccer), Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Touch Football, Triathlon, Volleyball, Water Polo.

**Primary:** Athletics, Basketball, Canoeing, Cricket, Cross Country, Diving, Golf, Hockey, Netball, Rugby League, Rugby Union, Football (Soccer), Softball, Swimming, Tennis and Touch Football.

From the affiliated group of schools, NSWCISSC secondary and primary representative teams are selected to compete with their peers from the State and Catholic sectors at the various NSWPPSA (Primary) and NSW All Schools (Secondary) activities from which state representative teams are chosen to participate in sporting exchanges with teams from other states and territories. The NSWCISSC is proud to be able to offer schools involvement in these various levels of participation and competition through which they can provide for their students valuable sporting, social and cultural experiences.

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