

ELEMENTARY ATHLETIC GUIDELINES

1. Playdays and tournaments should reflect the Christian philosophy. They should support the development of the whole child and emphasize co-operative playing and socializing rather than the competitive and winning nature.

2. All students participating should be given equal playing time.

3. It is understood that interschool playdays and tournaments are held primarily for grade 8 students. If a school due to enrolment, has an insufficient number of students in grade 8 - all grade seven students should be given the opportunity to participate. "Cuts" on the basis of skill are definitely discouraged.

4. Playdays should be optional but given priority over tournaments. If a zone wishes to have a playday or tournament, at least all schools in the zone should be given the opportunity to participate.

5. The awarding of trophies or prizes should be de-emphasized and the inner personal rewards should be encouraged such as: playing for enjoyment, exercise, healthy living, socializing, and learning.

6. Suggested sport seasons are as follows:

Cross Country	- August to mid-October
Soccer	- August to mid-October
Volleyball	- October to December
Basketball	- January to Easter
Relays	- December to April
Track & Field	- May to June