Organised by the Basketball Association of Hong Kong, China
Subvented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Co-organised by the Education Bureau

School Sports Programme –2027 Outreach Coaching Programme
3-on-3 Basketball Competition for Secondary Schools

Prospectus

1. Objective: To offer former participants of the Outreach Coaching Programme ─ Basketball under the School Sports Programme (Basketball Outreach Coaching Programme) an opportunity for exchanges to further develop their interests in basketball, enhance their skills and gain competition experience.

2. Eligibility: Priority will be accorded to secondary schools which participated in the Basketball Outreach Coaching Programme between 1 September 2025 and 31 December 2026.

3. Date, Time and Venue:

Date	Time	Venue
23 January 2027 (Saturday) Fallback date: 24 January 2027 (Sunday)	8:30am- 7:00pm	Muk Lun Street Playground Basketball Court (Address: 7 Muk Lun Street, Wong Tai Sin, Kowloon)

4. Division and Quota:

Division	Quota (Team)
Boys	48
Girls	16

a. Each team comprises 3 to 5 members.

b. To ensure efficient use of resources, the Organiser may adjust division quotas based on the response received. The final quota will be confirmed on the day of the ballot. Participating schools/participants shall raise no objection.

5. Notes to applicants:

a. Priority will be accorded to schools which participated in the Basketball Outreach Coaching Programme between 1 September 2025 and 31 December 2026. Each school may enter a maximum of 2 teams in each division. Please indicate their priority order (i.e. “Team 1” and “Team 2”) on the application form. If oversubscribed, a ballot will be conducted based on the order of preference indicated by the schools. Should any places remain after the first round of ballot, teams with lower priority may be considered. Any remaining places thereafter will be allocated by ballot to schools which have not previously participated in the Basketball Outreach Coaching Programme.

b. Each student may represent one team only and must be a bona fide of the school represented by the team for the duration of the Competition.

c. Completed application forms should be returned to the School Sports Programme Unit of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) by email, post or fax.
Email address: applicationssp@lcsd.gov.hk
Postal address: 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin
Fax number: 2684 9076 or 2697 5087

d. A list of successful applicants and payment details will be sent to the relevant schools in due course.

e. No changes to the list of participants will be permitted once payment has been made.

6. Fee: HK$170 per team.

7. Application Period:

From now until 10 November 2026 (The postmark or email date will be deemed the date of submission).

8. Quota Ballot:

The ballot will be held at 1/F Lobby, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters at 11:00 a.m. on 18 November 2026 (Wednesday). School representatives are welcome to attend. Successful schools will be notified by post; unsuccessful applicants will not be contacted further. The ballot result will be posted on the LCSD website on 25 November 2026 (Wednesday):

https://www.lcsd.gov.hk/tc/ssp/download_info/download.html#2

If a school has not received an Acknowledgement of Receipt two working days before the ballot date (i.e. 16 November 2026 (Monday)), please contact our staff on 2601 7602 to check the receipt status. Otherwise, the Organiser will be unable to process your application.

9. Payment Period for Successful Applicants: 30 November 2026 - 11 December 2026

10. Payment Period for Waiting List Applicants: 16 - 22 December 2026

11. Fixture Draw:

The fixture draw will be held at 1/F Lobby, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters at 11:00 a.m. on **30 December 2026**. Schools Representatives are welcome to attend. Participating schools will be notified of the draw results and reporting time in writing. The same information will also be posted on the LCSD website on 8 January 2027:

https://www.lcsd.gov.hk/tc/ssp/download_info/download.html#18

12. Format:

a. The preliminary round follows a single-round-robin group format and the finals follow a single-elimination format.

b. Grouping

Boys' Division	12 groups of 4 teams. The top-ranked team from each group advances to the Round of 12.
Girls' Division	4 groups of 4 teams. The top-ranked team from each group advances to the Semifinals.

c. If teams are tied upon completion of all matches in the preliminary round, their standings will be determined according to the following order of tie breakers.

I. Number of wins (or win ratio in case of unequal number of matches).

II. Head-to-head results between the tied teams (only taking win/loss into account).

III. Average points scored (exclusive of points from forfeited matches).

IV. If still tied, the standings will be determined by drawing lots.

d. The size 6/7 basketballs to be used in the Competition are provided by the Organiser.

e. Each match lasts 10 minutes. Each team gets a 30-second timeout per match.

f. The game clock stops only during dead ball situations within the last 2 minutes of the match.

h. The first team to score 21 points wins.

g. If the score is tied at the end of regular playing time, an overtime will be played, and the team scoring first wins. Unless otherwise specified in this Prospectus, all other rules shall follow the current competition regulations employed by the Hong Kong Basketball Association. The Organiser reserves the right to make any changes to the fixture and format as deemed necessary.

13. Reporting:

a. Participants shall report to the Organiser 15 minutes before the scheduled time of a match. Any team failing to appear within five minutes after being called shall forfeit the match.

b. Participants must present a valid photo-bearing identity document (e.g. student handbook, student card) before the match for verification of eligibility.

c. The final competition schedule is subject to the announcements on-site.

d. Each participating school must assign at least one person aged 18 or above as the team manager or the person-in-charge.

14. Inclement Weather Arrangements:

All matches scheduled on the competition day will be cancelled under any of the following circumstances. Participating schools will be notified of alternative arrangements in due course.

- Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above, or Amber/Red/Black Rainstorm Signal is in force two hours before the reporting time for the first round of matches; or
- The Environmental Protection Department has announced that the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) recorded at its general monitoring stations in the Wong Tai Sin District reaches 10+ ("Serious" health risk category); or
- The Education Bureau has announced class suspensions.

Under other weather conditions, participants must still report to the Organiser as scheduled. The referees on site shall decide whether the matches will proceed as scheduled.

15. Additional Rules:

    a. Teams required to play consecutive matches may take a break of 5 to 10 minutes between each match. The Organiser reserves the right to adjust such arrangement as appropriate. Teams shall not request postponement of a match on the grounds of fatigue.

    b. There will be no lunch break due to the tight schedule.

    c. Any team that leaves the playing area during a match shall be deemed to have forfeited the match. The opposing team shall be declared the winner.

    d. The referee reserves the right to disqualify any team whose manager or players commit serious foul play, violate the rules or regulations of the Competition or display unsportsmanlike behaviour. Results obtained will also be nullified.

    e. No jerseys or number bibs will be provided by the Organiser. Each team must prepare two sets of numbered jerseys (1 to 99, 0 and 00) in contrasting colours (one dark and one light).

    f. Team members must wear appropriate sports attire and non-marking rubber-soled shoes during matches.

16. Awards:

    a. Each team member having completed the matches will receive a commemorative certificate.

    b. Trophies will be awarded to the Champion, 1st runner-up, 2nd runner-up and 3rd runner-up in each division. (The actual number of awards is subject to the number of teams.) Winning teams will receive trophies, and their members will each be presented with medals and certificates. Awards will be presented immediately after the finals.

Number of Participating Teams	Awards
Under 6	Champion, 1st runner-up and 2nd runner-up
7 or more	Champion, 1st runner-up, 2nd runner-up and 3rd runner-up

    c. Should any team fail to attend or complete any scheduled match, the Organiser reserves the right to disqualify that team from award eligibility. In such cases, the team shall forfeit all claims to trophies, medals and certificates.

17. Other Awards:

    a. This competition is a scoring event of the **School Sports Programme Award Scheme– LCSD Cup.**

    b. A total of 16 awards will be presented. Trophies will be awarded at the 2027 School Sports Programme Prize Presentation Ceremony cum Carnival to honour schools with the most outstanding performance between 1 September 2026 and 31 May 2027. The awards include:

    LCSD Cup –Primary School Boys' Division: Champion, 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up and 3rd Runner-up

    LCSD Cup –Primary School Girls' Division: Champion, 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up and 3rd Runner-up

    LCSD Cup –Secondary School Boys' Division: Champion, 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up and 3rd Runner-up

    LCSD Cup –Secondary School Girls' Division: Champion, 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up and 3rd Runner-up

    c. For details, please refer to the webpage of LCSD School Sports Programme at https://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/lcsd_cup/lcsd_cup_intro.html

18. Appeal: No appeal will be entertained. The officiating referee's decisions shall be final.

19. Remarks:

(1) The LCSD reserves the right to publish the results of the Competition.

(2) The Organiser reserves the right to take photographs, videos or audio recordings, or conduct live broadcasts during the event, and to use such recorded materials on the Internet, at LCSD venues, on the Organiser's dedicated website, in publications, and through other publicity channels for promotional or record-keeping purposes.

(3) The personal data provided by the applicant will only be used for enrolment, communication, announcement of results, compilation of statistics and opinion surveys related to activities under the School Sports Programme. Such data will be accessible only to authorised personnel of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) and relevant National Sports Associations. While the provision of personal data is voluntary, applications with insufficient information may not be processed. For access to or correction of the personal data submitted, please contact the School Sports Programme Unit of the LCSD.

20. Enquiries:

School Sports Programme Unit of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Address: 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3, Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin.
Telephone No.: 2601 7602

In case of any inadequacy in this Prospectus, the Organiser reserves the right to amend it at any time without further notice.