## Participation in Team Sports 2013-2014 - Spirit of Athletics

### Concern

Some schools, particularly by grade 7, are challenged to meet the 8 students/team in some situations because class population is low and/or lopsided ratio of boys/girls.

### Goal

All schools would endeavour to enter a team in every division even if the number of players is less than the required 8 to qualify as a league registered team. Rationale: all kids, despite class size and/or participation should have the opportunity to play on a school team and compete in inter-school competition.

# How it would be implemented

Basketball example: class of 26 Gr. 7 students, where 8 are girls, would be hard pressed to enter a league team but 4 or 5 of those girls in that class likely wish to play on a school team. The goal is to let these children play in zone competition. The game would not count toward the standings but they would have a chance to play against other teams in their zone, (and with their classmates, rather than having to play on a combined Gr 6/7 team). The game would be an exhibition game, CISVA rules will still be applicable, but because of the smaller number of students playing, the length of the game would be shortened to 5 or 6 minutes running time quarters.

### Participation in League

	Single Stream	Double Stream
Volleyball	min. 8, recommended 10 players	min. 10, recommended 12 players
Basketball	min. 8, recommended 11 players	min. 10, recommended 11 players
Soccer	Senior min. 12, recommended 14	Senior min. 13, recommended 15
Boys*	players	players
	Juvenile min.9, recommended 11	Juvenile min. 10, recommended 12
	players	players
Soccer	Senior min. 12, recommended 14	Senior min. 13, recommended 15
Girls*	players	players
	Juvenile min. 9, recommended 11	Juvenile min. 10, recommended 12
	players	players

<sup>\*</sup> Players must play in both halves.

### **League compared to Exhibition**

Schools would decide when submitting there registration if a team is designated L (League) EX (Exhibition). Fees would only apply to league teams.