

Thursday, 7 August - Sunday, 10 August 2025 Epworth School





Foreword for SA Top Schools Squash 2025

On behalf of Epworth School, I would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm and sincere welcome to all the schools participating in the South African Top Schools Squash Tournament, which is celebrating its 40th year. This is an outstanding achievement, and huge congratulations go to those who created the tournament and to those who have ensured it continues to hold a premier place on the South African schools' squash calendar.

Epworth School has always had a strong connection to this tournament, with our very own Mrs Sally White—one of its original pioneers and still our squash coach today—playing a key role in establishing the event. Together, Epworth and Sally have won the tournament 21 times.

It is always a privilege for our school to host the SA Top Schools Squash Tournament. We trust the event will showcase many young talented players and provide an opportunity for the participants to interact socially, rekindle friendships and make new friends.

A tournament of this nature would not be possible without the dedication of numerous role players. Special thanks to Mr Alan McGuigan, Mrs Sally White and the SA Schools Squash team who have shouldered much of the organisational load. Sponsors, additional staff members and parents deserve our gratitude for their contributions and for assisting in the running of this tournament. To our supporters, both local and visiting, thank you for supporting this tournament and we hope you enjoy your time with us.

It is my sincere hope that the tournament proves to be both memorable and exciting, and that you enjoy every moment.

Mr Reynard White Executive Head of Epworth School

FAITH COMPASSION COURAGE



TOURNAMENT RULES

- 1. Team order must be in strict ladder order and must remain the same throughout the tournament.
- 2. All result sheets must be clearly marked, signed by managers and sent, either electronically or handed in to the organisers (Mr McGuigan/Mrs White) at the end of each day's play.
- 3. Managers are responsible for the safety and well-being of their players at all times and are requested to ensure that their behaviour is always exemplary.
- 4. All matches shall be best of 5 games. Scoring will be first to 11 winner must win by 2 points if 10 all.
- 5. Proposed playing order:

Option A: 6; 5; 4; 3; 2; 1 (except for the final round which will be drawn).

Option B: 6; 3; 4; 5; 2; 1 (except for the final round which will be drawn).

To be discussed at the Managers' Meeting.

6. Each team must provide a marker or referee. The first match's marker/referee is determined by coin toss spin, then alternates per match. No player may officiate more than once per fixture (exceptions for illness/injury, decided by managers). Players, spectators, or parents must NOT interfere with officials' decisions.

Marking order to be confirmed at the Managers' Meeting.

- 7. The scoring shall be:
 - One point for every game won,
 - The team winning the most matches will receive 5 bonus points.
- 8. SQUASH SA and SA Schools Squash rules will apply and be enforced.
- 9. Protective eyewear must be worn for the duration of the matches.
- 10. The official ball will be the Dunlop Double Yellow Dot.
- 11. Players participating in the tournament do so at their own risk and the organisers and the committee cannot be held responsible for any injury sustained during the tournament.
- 12. A Disputes and Disciplinary Committee will be appointed at the managers' meeting per SA Schools Squash Rules. Offenders may be called before this committee and can face disqualification.



RULES FOR THE SA SCHOOLS "TOP SCHOOLS" SQUASH TOURNAMENT

- 1. The tournament will be held every year at Epworth because the event was initiated by Epworth who agreed to work in conjunction with SA Schools Squash to host the event. Schools with a long-standing association with the Top Schools tournament may request permission to host the event at their school in exceptional circumstances such as a school centenary.
- 2. The top school in each of the major school squash provinces will be invited to participate in the Top Schools tournament each year. Only 8 provinces are invited namely Boland, Border, Joburg, Eastern Province, Free State, Kwa-Zulu Natal, Northerns and Western Province.
- 3. A Country Festival region (Easterns, SWD, Mpumalanga, etc.) which wishes to be considered for inclusion in Top Schools must submit the names of the players in their "Top School". The SA Schools Squash selectors (in conjunction with the executive) will then decide whether to include such a team as a ninth team for that particular year. Such teams will need to re-apply each year.
- 4. Each province is requested to host a qualifying event e.g. a league, a derby day or a tournament in order to qualify for the Top Schools Tournament. Which format they chose is up to each province.
- 5. Each province may use their own selection process (criteria) although it is strongly recommended that they have an inter-schools tournament to determine the winner.
- 6. If provinces are using the tournament format, entry forms must be sent out timeously to each squash playing school in the province.
- 7. The organizers of each provincial qualifying event must make schools aware of the rules prior to the start of the event.
- 8. Each team must consist of 6 players and all players must be bona fide members of that school. Students on exchange from another school (local or overseas) may NOT be selected. Homeschooled students who play league squash for a school may NOT represent that school (or any other school) at Top Schools.
- 9. The players must be U19 as at the 1st January of that year and no post matric pupils may participate. No grade 7 pupil may play in this event unless he/she is U14 in grade 7 AND happens to be at a school in which grade 7 forms part of the middle school.
- 10. Teams playing in this event must be submitted to the provincial chairperson who, together with the provincial committee, will check the order.
- 11. Players MUST play in order of strength. The school ladder can include players who have not participated in provincial tournaments. If challenges are held at the school, they must be reported to the provincial chairperson for ratification, particularly if they involve players on the provincial ladder. National selectors have the right to change the playing order.
- 12. If the top school in a particular province cannot participate, the second team in that province does NOT automatically qualify to participate at Top Schools. A request by the provincial chair (with motivation) would need to be submitted to the SA Schools Squash Executive Committee in such a case. The SA Schools Squash Selectors will then determine who the next best team IN THE COUNTRY will be to participate in the event. This may NOT necessarily be a school from the province that withdraws. The school which withdraws, must submit a valid reason for their



- withdrawal, as withdrawals may result IN THEIR PROVINCE losing the opportunity to participate in Top Schools in the following year.
- 13. Schools may not enter just because they are the only squash playing school in their province.
- 14. The Top Schools Tournament is planned to coincide with the 9th August Women's Day holiday but exceptions will be made if it clashes with the dates of the World Junior Men's / Women's Championships.
- 15. If seven teams are entered instead of eight, a team may be selected by the SA Schools Squash Executive to participate so as to complete the eight necessary for an even eight-team draw.
- 16. If six teams are entered instead of eight, no other schools will be included, and a round robin format will be used.
- 17. In the event of 15 above, pprovincial chairs (not schools) may send a request with motivation to the SA Schools Squash Executive if they feel they have a strong, bona fide school team which could be included. Should the Executive agree to this request, this team would compete in the tournament on the same basis as all the other teams entered and, therefore, should they end up winning the tournament, they would be acknowledged as the 'Top Schools Champions'.
- 18. The teams will be seeded by the SA Schools Squash selectors.
- 19. If there are eight teams, the teams will play in two round robin pools. After the initial round robin, the top two teams will carry their points through to a further pool with the top two teams in the other section. The third and fourth teams in the section will carry their points through to a further pool with the third and fourth teams of the other section. There will thus be a final ranking from 1 to 8.
- 20. If there are nine teams (which can only happen in the event of a Country Festival side being included by application based on strength and agreed to by the national selectors) the teams will play in three pools of three with a 'Super Sixes' carry-over resulting in 7 rounds (which will include a bye) and so six fixtures. In this event, the bottom three teams will play their 'final' round in a four-team pool with the fourth team being an invitation team from local school(s) who have not played in the previous round. Regardless of the result of this pool, the ranking of this invitation team will not be announced.
- 21. In the event of a team winning all its matches in a section in a round robin format, it will be declared the winner <u>regardless of whether the team has scored less points than another province/region.</u>
- 22. In the event of a two-way tie, the result of the fixture between the two provinces (regions) involved will determine the winner.
- 23. In the event of a three-way tie, points between the three teams will be used in a triangular format to decide the winner. Should two teams still end tie, the result of the fixture between the two provinces (regions) involved will determine the winner.
- 24. The relevant ball for the tournament venue will used i.e. the High Altitude for High Altitude areas and the Pro Revelation for other areas.
- 25. The tournament, which takes place under the auspices of SA Schools Squash and Squash SA, will be played according to inter-provincial rules, but all other relevant rules shall be applied.
- 26. Players must make themselves available for the entire duration of the event and must be able to play in all the matches according to the programme.
- 27. There will be medals for the schools which finish in the top three in both the boys' and the girls' sections.



TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Thursday, 7 August 2025

11h00 – 17h00	Teams arrive as per transport arrangements
12h30 – 21h15	Warm-up time on the Epworth Squash courts
14h00	Check-in for teams staying in the Epworth B.E.
18h00 – 19h00	Dinner for all players at Epworth (dining hall)
18h00 - 19h30	Managers Meeting & Dinner at Epworth (WJ Williams Centre)

Friday, 8 August 2025

07h30 – 08h00	Breakfast for teams staying in the Epworth B.E. (dining hall)
09h00	Matches – Round 1 (Epworth and Collegians)
12h00 – 13h30	Lunch break at Epworth (rolling lunches – dining hall)
14h00	Matches – Round 2 (Epworth and Collegians)
19h00	Formal Dinner at Epworth School (Haley Hall)
	(Full school uniform.)

Saturday, 9 August 2025

07h30 - 08h00	Breakfast for teams staying in the Epworth B.E. (dining hall)
09h00	Matches – Round 3 (Epworth and Collegians)
12h00 – 13h30	Lunch break at Epworth (rolling lunches – dining hall)
14h00	Matches – Round 4 (Epworth and Collegians)
18h30	Dinner at Lakeside Café

Sunday, 10 August 2025

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06h30 – 07h0:	Breakfast for teams staying in the Epworth B.E. (dining hall)
07h45	Check-out for teams staying in the Epworth B.E.
08h00	Matches – Round 5 (Epworth and Collegians)
11h00	Packed Lunches – collect at Epworth (Squash Lounge)
11h30	Prize giving ceremony at Epworth (Squash Lounge)
	Teams depart
	Thank you for joining us – hope you had a great stay!



GIRLS TEAMS

SECTION 1

Midstream College	Eunice High School
Elzandri Janse van Rensburg	Vivienne van der Schyff
Anushka Janse van Rensburg	Keira Huang
Sarah de Villiers	Linè Grobler
Amelia Lubbe	Aimee Graham
Kathleen de Kock	Ameera Cassim
Kayleigh Reddy	Clea Watson
Coach: Awande Malinga	Coach: Tremayne McDonald
Manager: Inge Olivier (083 554 3389)	Manager: Hester Steyn (082 449 5753)
Paarl Gimnasium High School	Rustenburg Girls High School
Marlene van Wyk	Tara-Neville Smyly
Lia Viljoen	Genevieve Lang
Mienke Stander	Morgan Hunter
Carina van Wyk	Emma Hilton
Carina van Wyk Gabby Mouton	Emma Hilton Isla Barbour
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Gabby Mouton	Isla Barbour

SECTION 2

Clarendon High School for Girls	Epworth School
Cara Knott	Tamlyn Galliers
Sasha Earl	Mayra Bytebier
Kate van Biljon	Rylee Howells
Keira Botha	Kimeya Moonisami
Holly McClure	Chelsey Cameron
Isobel Botha	Amy Gerber
Coach: Gregg Shean	Coach: Alan McGuigan (083 229 9977)
Manager: Liesel Higgs (084 305 5954)	Manager: Sally White (079 695 6702)
St Mary's Waverly	Collegiate Girls High School
Amy Shannon	Nina Mitchell
Amy Saunders	Madison Everts
Sentle Magongwa	Isabelle Newman
Tania Weeple	Nerissa Primo
Lai Yi Pinkey	Jessica Murray
Georgina Pearce	Nuha Packery
Coach: Wayne Sithole	
Manager: Linda Shannon (082 924 2156)	Manager: Euleen Grobbelaar (081 218 8994)



GIRLS DRAW

F	ROUND 1	: Friday, 8 August	- Starting at 09h00	
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.
Midstream	VS	Paarl	Epworth	3
Eunice	VS	Rustenburg	Collegians	4
Epworth	VS	Collegiate	Epworth	1
Clarendon	VS	St Mary's	Collegians	5
F	ROUND 2	: Friday, 8 August	- Starting at 14h00	
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.
Paarl	VS	Rustenburg	Epworth	1
Midstream	VS	Eunice	Collegians	3
Clarendon	VS	Epworth	Epworth	3
St Mary's	VS	Collegiate	Collegians	2
RO	OUND 3: 5	Saturday, 9 Augus	st – Starting at 09h00	
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.
Midstream	VS	Rustenburg	Collegians	4
Eunice	VS	Paarl	Epworth	1
Clarendon	VS	Collegiate	Collegians	5
Epworth	VS	St Mary's	Epworth	3
RO	OUND 4:	Saturday, 9 Augus	st – Starting at 14h00	
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.
1 st Section 1	VS	2 nd Section 2	Epworth	3
2 nd Section 1	VS	1 st Section 2	Epworth	1
3 rd Section 1	VS	4 th Section 2	Collegians	2
4 th Section 1	VS	3 rd Section 2	Collegians	3
R	OUND 5:	Sunday, 10 Augus	t – Starting at 08h00	
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.
1 st Section 1	VS	1 st Section 2	Epworth	3
2 nd Section 1	VS	2 nd Section 2	Epworth	1
3 rd Section 1	VS	3 rd Section 2	Collegians	4
4 th Section 1	VS	4 th Section 2	Collegians	5



GIRLS RESULTS: ROUNDS 1 – 3

			SECTION 1			
	Midstream	Eunice	Paarl	Rustenburg	Total Points	Position
Midstream						
Eunice						
Paarl						
Rustenburg						

			SECTION 2			
	Clarendon	Epworth	St Mary's	Collegiate	Total Points	Position
Clarendon						
Epworth						
St Mary's						
Collegiate						



GIRLS RESULTS: ROUNDS 4 & 5

			ROSS POOL			
	1 st Section 1	1 st Section 2	2 nd Section 1	2 nd Section 2	Total Points	Position
1 st Section 1						
1 st Section 2						
2 nd Section 1						
2 nd Section 2						

		C	ROSS POOL			
		POOL E	3 (Positions	5 – 8)		
	3 rd Section 1	3 rd Section 2	4 th Section 1	4 th Section 2	Total	Position
					Points	FOSITION
3 rd Section 1						
3 rd Section 2						
4 th Section 1						
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4 th Section 2						



BOYS TEAMS

SECTION 1

Selborne College	Maritzburg College
Wian Fourie	Travis Kufal
Jody Emslie	Tilak Nana
Raphael Videler	Bandile Mahaye
Joshua Edwards	Veer Premchund
Owami Nkatu	Joel Maistry
Ethan Groenewald	Kriben Pillay
Coach: Grattan van Heerden	Coach: André Dippenaar
Manager: Winston Paxton (083 225 7935)	Manager: Simon Brill (079 350 1221)
Rondebosch Boys High School	Hoërskool Strand
Rondebosch Boys High School Dylan Keswell	Hoërskool Strand Kyle Hart
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Dylan Keswell	Kyle Hart
Dylan Keswell Charlton Webb-Smith	Kyle Hart Liam Hart
Dylan Keswell Charlton Webb-Smith Farhan Patel	Kyle Hart Liam Hart Ruan Visser
Dylan Keswell Charlton Webb-Smith Farhan Patel Nur Limbada	Kyle Hart Liam Hart Ruan Visser Matthew Cyster
Dylan Keswell Charlton Webb-Smith Farhan Patel Nur Limbada Theo du Plessis	Kyle Hart Liam Hart Ruan Visser Matthew Cyster Kaylum du Toit

SECTION 2

Grey High School	St Andrew's School
Benji Newman	Dean Katzin
David Lawrence	Matthew Strydom
Rafe Searle	Harry Marangellis
Graeme Frieslaar	Joshua van Zyl
Liam Fehrsen	Diego Carreira
Austin Maxwell	Dietrich Barnard
Coach: Alan Stapleton	Coach: Calvin Deutschmann
Manager: Nicci Schoeman (079 382 4971)	Manager: Margo Morgan (082 337 0478)
Die Hoërskool Menlopark	St John's College
Jan-Darius Smuts	Thero Motshubi
Riaan Agenbacht	Sechaba Masithela
Joseph Myers	Ponatshego Molefe
Dewald de Graaf	Rohan Bray
Conrad Ehlers	Lungi Kekana
Sebastiaan Swart	Jamie Morris
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Coach: Liz Mackenzie (082 4211346)	Coach: Teagan Russell (081 045 5609)



BOYS DRAW

RO	OUND 1	: Friday, 8 August	- Starting at 09h00			
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.		
Selborne	VS	Rondebosch	Epworth	2		
Maritzburg College	VS	Strand	Collegians	2		
Grey High	VS	Menlopark	Epworth	4		
St Andrew's	VS	St John's	Collegians	3		
RO	OUND 2	: Friday, 8 August	– Starting at 14h00			
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.		
Selborne	VS	Maritzburg College	Epworth	4		
Rondebosch	VS	Strand	Collegians	4		
Grey High	VS	St Andrew's	Epworth	2		
Menlopark	VS	St John's	Collegians	5		
RO	UND 3:	Saturday, 9 Augus	t – Starting at 09h00			
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.		
Selborne	VS	Strand	Epworth	2		
Maritzburg College	VS	Rondebosch	Collegians	3		
Grey High	VS	St John's	Epworth	4		
St Andrew's	VS	Menlopark	Collegians	2		
RO	UND 4:	Saturday, 9 Augus	t – Starting at 14h00			
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.		
1 st Section 1	VS	2 nd Section 2	Epworth	2		
2 nd Section 1	VS	1 st Section 2	Epworth	4		
3 rd Section 1	VS	4 th Section 2	Collegians	4		
4 th Section 1	VS	3 rd Section 2	Collegians	5		
ROUND 5: Sunday, 10 August – Starting at 08h00						
School 1		School 2	Venue	Court No.		
1 st Section 1	VS	1 st Section 2	Epworth	2		
2 nd Section 1	VS	2 nd Section 2	Epworth	4		
3 rd Section 1	VS	3 rd Section 2	Collegians	3		
4 th Section 1	VS	4 th Section 2	Collegians	2		



BOYS RESULTS: ROUNDS 1 – 3

SECTION 1						
	Selborne	Maritzburg College	Rondebosch	Strand	Total Points	Position
Selborne						
Maritzburg College						
Rondebosch						
Strand						

SECTION 2						
	Grey	St Andrew's	Menlopark	St John's	Total Points	Position
Grey						
St Andrew's						
Menlopark						
St John's						



BOYS RESULTS: ROUNDS 4 & 5

CROSS POOL POOL A (Positions 1 – 4)							
	POOL A (Positions 1 – 4) 1st Section 1 1st Section 2 2nd Section 1 2nd Section 2 Total Position						
1 st Section 1					Points		
1 st Section 2							
2 nd Section 1							
2 nd Section 2							

CROSS POOL							
	POOL B (Positions 5 – 8)						
	3 rd Section 1	3 rd Section 2	4 th Section 1	4 th Section 2	Total	Position	
					Points	FOSITION	
3 rd Section 1							
3 rd Section 2							
4 th Section 1							
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4 th Section 2							



FINAL PLACINGS

GIRLS	BOYS
1 st	1 st
2 nd	2 nd
3 rd	3 rd
	3
4 th	4 th
5 th	5 th
6 th	6 th
7 th	7 th
8 th	8 th
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PREVIOUS SOUTH AFRICAN TOP SCHOOLS WINNERS

BOYS	VEAD	
	<u>YEAR</u>	GIRLS
Hilton College (KZN)	1984	Epworth (KZN)
Jeppe BHS (Joburg)	1985	Danville Park (KZN)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	1986	Epworth (KZN)
King David (Joburg)	1987	Clarendon (Border)
King David (Joburg)	1988	Clarendon (Border)
Alexander Road (EP)	1989	Clarendon (Border)
King David (Joburg)	1990	Clarendon (Border)
Selborne College (Border)	1991	Epworth (KZN)
Westville BHS (KZN)	1992	Epworth (KZN)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	1993	Epworth (KZN)
Wynberg BHS (WP)	1994	Epworth (KZN)
Wynberg BHS (WP)	1995	Epworth (KZN)
St Stithian's College (Joburg)	1996	Epworth (KZN)
St Stithian's College (Joburg)	1997	Epworth (KZN)
Grey High (EP)	1998	Epworth (KZN)
St Stithian's College (Joburg)	1999	Epworth (KZN)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	2000	Brandwag (Easterns)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	2001	Epworth (KZN)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	2002	Epworth (KZN)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	2003	Epworth (KZN)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	2004	Parys Hoër Skool (Free State)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	2005	Parys Hoër Skool (Free State)
Wynberg BHS (WP)	2006	Epworth (KZN)
St Andrew's School (Free State)	2007	Parys Hoër Skool (Free State)
Die Hoërskool Menlopark (Northerns)	2008	Epworth (KZN)
Selborne College (Border)	2009	Epworth (KZN)
Selborne College (Border)	2010	Framesby (EP)
Selborne College (Border)	2011	Epworth (KZN)
Michaelhouse (KZN)	2012	Epworth (KZN)
Rondebosch BHS (WP)	2013	Epworth (KZN)
Pretoria BHS (Northerns)	2014	Epworth (KZN)
Rondebosch BHS (WP)	2015	St Mary's Waverly (Joburg)
Grey High (EP)	2016	Queenstown GHS (Border)
Grey High (EP)	2017	Queenstown GHS (Border)
King Edward VII (Joburg)	2018	Queenstown GHS (Border)
Selborne College (Border)	2019	Queenstown GHS (Border)
COVID-19	2020	COVID-19
COVID-19	2021	COVID-19
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Selborne College (Border) Hoërskool Zwartkop (Northerns) Hoërskool Zwartkop (Northerns)	2022 2023 2024	Clarendon (Border) Midstream College (Northern Clarendon (Border)



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THANK YOU!

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- South African Schools Squash Committee.
- Epworth staff, Sports Department, and School Management.
- Epworth 1st team squash parents.

We would like to thank the following companies who generously contributed towards our tournament 'goodie bags':













DIGITAL PROGRAMME

Please note that you can access a digital copy of the South African Top Schools Squash Tournament Programme via the below QR code.





THE EPWORTH CAMPUS

PREP SCHOOL ENTRANCE

ISABEL BEARDMORE DRIVE **Waring Field** ø PREPARATORY SCHOOL CHAPEL Collett Artificial Surface (ASTRO) Staff Parking Tennis and Basketball Courts Coffee Shop ø Drop-off zone Recycling Station Epworthians | Collection zone High School & Foundation Senior House Reception Marketing & Admissions HIGH SCHOOL Finance Staff Parking Staff Parking & HR Media Centre Quad ES Church Mel W J Williams Metcalfe Centre Cottage **GOLF ROAD**

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