

34th Annual Val Fowler Elite Girls' Basketball Tournament



Tournament Information
Final
31 July 2026

History of Tournament



An organised school basketball structure for girls, in South Africa, has its roots in Pietermaritzburg. Basketball was developed as a school sport in the late 1970s and most of the top local schools were actively involved in the age-group leagues. Similar leagues were springing up around the country. In 1981, the first Inter-Provincial Tournament was hosted in Pietermaritzburg. It attracted teams from a number of provinces, and the standard of play was remarkable for such a new sport.

In 1992 the first Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School Invitational Tournament was launched. For the first few years only teams from KwaZulu-Natal entered, but it was not long before it became a most sought-after tournament, attracting top teams from schools across the country, and Zimbabwe. In order to accommodate the best teams, but also cater for development in the sport, the tournament has an A-section and a B- section.

Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School 1st Team has been the champion team 25 out of the 33 years it has been staged. Other stalwarts that have excelled over the years include: Pretoria High School for Girls and Lereko Secondary School (FS). In 2015, the tournament was named, 'The Val Fowler Basketball Tournament' in recognition of Val's role in the establishment of schoolgirls' basketball and the staging of this premier annual tournament, as well as her achievements in coaching many winning teams, in a lifetime of coaching.



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30 July 2026

Dear Players, Coaches, Managers and Supporters

It is my great privilege to welcome you to Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School for the **34th annual Val Fowler Basketball Festival**, taking place from **6–9 August 2026**.

For more than three decades, this tournament has brought together some of the finest schoolgirl basketball talent in southern Africa, and it remains one of the highlights of our sporting calendar. Once again, we are delighted to welcome **480 players, 40 coaches and 40 teams** to our campus, including **five visiting international teams**, whose participation reminds us that sport has a remarkable ability to build friendships that transcend borders, cultures and languages.

Across four exhilarating days, **144 matches** will be played. Every pass, rebound, steal and basket will tell a story of countless hours of practice, unwavering commitment and the pursuit of excellence. While trophies will ultimately find their owners, the true rewards of this festival lie in the friendships formed, the lessons learnt, the character displayed and the memories created.

Events of this calibre are never the work of one person. I extend my heartfelt thanks to **Mrs Anna-Marie Snyman** and the dedicated GHS Sports Department, whose months of planning and meticulous preparation have once again made this festival possible. Your professionalism and passion continue to set an exceptional standard.

My sincere appreciation also goes to our **29 referees**, including **seven FIBA-qualified officials**, whose knowledge, fairness and integrity ensure that every contest is conducted in the finest spirit of the game. We are equally indebted to our table officials, games secretaries, first-aid personnel, volunteers and support staff. Your willingness to serve behind the scenes allows everything on the court to shine.

We are especially grateful to **Mr Simon Moore** and the St John's DSG community for once again opening their excellent facilities to host the B Section of the festival. Their generosity and partnership have become an invaluable part of the event's continued success.

This festival proudly bears the name of **Miss Val Fowler**, one of Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School's most respected former Principals and a pioneering champion of schoolgirls' basketball. It is fitting that a tournament established in her honour continues to celebrate not only sporting excellence, but also the qualities she exemplified throughout her life—commitment, humility, courage, respect and gracious competition.

To every player: compete fiercely, play fairly and wear your school colours with pride. Encourage your teammates, respect your opponents and officials, and seize every opportunity that this remarkable festival offers. Long after the final whistle has blown, it is your conduct and camaraderie that will be remembered most.

PIETERMARITZBURG GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

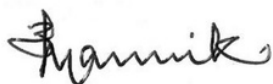
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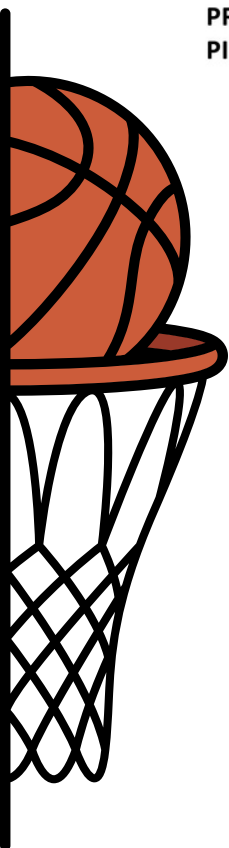
On behalf of Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School, I wish every team an enjoyable, memorable and successful tournament. We are honoured to host you and trust that your time with us will be one of outstanding basketball, lasting friendships and unforgettable experiences.

May the festival be played in the very best spirit—and may the finest team emerge victorious.

Warmest regards,



MR MM MARWICK
PRINCIPAL
PIETERMARITZBURG GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL





General Info - U19

PARTICIPANTS

A total number of 32 u19 teams will participate.
16 A Section teams & 16 B Section teams.

ELIGIBILITY

All players must be students at the school and must have been born in or before 2007 making them 19 years old or younger at the tournament.

The team registration forms must be sent by no later than **6 July 2026.**

Failure to adhere to the above will result to disqualification and your school **will not** be invited to return to the Val Fowler Tournament.

This is a separate document that has to be emailed back by 6 July 2026.

TEAM PHOTO

Will be taken at the tournament.

NUMBER OF PLAYERS IN A TEAM

Teams will be allowed to **ENTER a maximum of 12 players** for the entire tournament.
*****No exception to this rule*****

TRANSPORT

Please note that teams are responsible for their own transport arrangements and our school may not transport any teams around.

Should you require to hire transport, you can contact our normal service provider, Kalamazoo.



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General Info - U16

PARTICIPANTS

A total of 8 U16 teams will participate.
This will be a round-robin format.

ELIGIBILITY

All players must be students at the school and must have been born in or before 2010 making them 16 years old or younger at the tournament.

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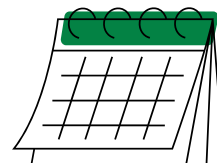
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Programme of Events



6-9 August 2026



PMB Girls' High

41 Topham Road

A Section & U16 Section

&

St John's DSG

Harwin Road

B Section

Matches start at **12pm**

Matches finish at **8pm**

6 August

Matches start at **8am**

Matches finish at **6pm**

Supper: **Build a Burger for all teams**

7 August

Matches start at **8am**

Matches finish at **8pm**

8 August

Matches start at **8am**

Matches finish at **3pm**

Closing ceremony directly after last match

9 August

An exciting time to kick-off basketball passion & performance...



Results Link



To follow the results of the tournament, please click on this link:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1TibxQH2DPURfI2h5HEXH3IALxjFQFQ-meS-p1WSalfM/edit?usp=sharing>





POOLS A Section

POOL A	TEAM
	PMB GHS
	Pretoria High School for Girls
	Durban Girls' High School
	Dominican Convent High School
POOL B	TEAM
	St Anne's Diocesan College
	Howick High School
	St Peters College
	The Heritage School, Zimbabwe
POOL C	TEAM
	St Mary's School, Waverley
	Epworth High School
	Sacred Heart
	Lereko 1
POOL D	TEAM
	Holy Rosary School
	The Wykeham Collegiate
	St Stithians Girls College
	St John's DSG





FIXTURES A Section

Venue: GHS CC

A Section Fixtures

THURSDAY									
TIME	Match Number	COURT A			TIME	Match Number	COURT B		
12:00 - 13:00	1	St Mary's School, Waverley	vs	Epworth High School	12:00 - 13:00	2	Sacred Heart	vs	Lereko 1
13:00 - 14:00	3	Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School	vs	Pretoria High School for Girls	13:00 - 14:00	4	Durban Girls' High School	vs	Dominican Convent High School Harare
14:00 - 15:00	5	Holy Rosary School	vs	The Wykeham Collegiate	14:00 - 15:00	6	St Stithians Girls College	vs	St Johns DSG
15:00 - 16:00	7	St Anne's Diocesan College	vs	St Peter's College	15:00 - 16:00	8	St Mary's School, Waverley	vs	Sacred Heart
16:00 - 17:00	9	Pretoria High School for Girls	vs	Dominican Convent High School Harare	16:00 - 17:00	10	Epworth High School	vs	Lereko 1
18:00 - 19:00	11	Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School	vs	Durban Girls' High School	18:00 - 19:00	12	The Wykeham Collegiate	vs	St Johns DSG
19:00 - 20:00	13	St Peter's College	vs	The Heritage School Zimbabwe	19:00 - 20:00	14	St Anne's Diocesan College	vs	Howick High

FRIDAY									
TIME	Match Number				TIME	Match Number			
08:00 - 09:00	15	Howick High	vs	The Heritage School Zimbabwe	08:00 - 09:00	16	Holy Rosary School	vs	St Stithians Girls College
09:00 - 10:00	17	Pretoria High School for Girls	vs	Durban Girls' High School	09:00 - 10:00	18	St Mary's School, Waverley	vs	Lereko 1
10:00 - 11:00	19	Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School	vs	Dominican Convent High School Harare	10:00 - 11:00	20	Epworth High School	vs	Sacred Heart
11:00 - 12:00	21	Holy Rosary School	vs	St Johns DSG	11:00 - 12:00	22	The Wykeham Collegiate	vs	St Stithians Girls College
12:00 - 13:00	23	St Anne's Diocesan College	vs	The Heritage School Zimbabwe	12:00 - 13:00	24	Howick High	vs	St Peter's College
13:00 - 14:00	BREAK								
14:00 - 15:00	25	A1	vs	D2	14:00 - 15:00	26	A3	vs	D4
15:00 - 16:00	27	B1	vs	C2	15:00 - 16:00	28	B3	vs	C4
16:00 - 17:00	29	C1	vs	B2	16:00 - 17:00	30	C3	vs	B4
17:00 - 18:00	31	D1	vs	A2	17:00 - 18:00	32	D3	vs	A4

SATURDAY									
TIME	Match Number				TIME	Match Number			
08:00 - 09:00	33	A1	vs	D1	08:00 - 09:00	34	A3	vs	D3
09:00 - 10:00	35	B1	vs	C1	09:00 - 10:00	36	B3	vs	C3
10:00 - 11:00	37	A2	vs	D2	10:00 - 11:00	38	A4	vs	C4
11:00 - 12:00	39	B2	vs	C2	11:00 - 12:00	40	B4	vs	D4
12:00 - 13:00	BREAK								
13:00 - 14:00	41	POS 13-16			13:00 - 14:00	42	POS 13-16		
		vs					vs		
14:00 - 15:00	43	POS 9-12			14:00 - 15:00	44	POS 9-12		
		vs					vs		
15:00 - 16:00	45	POS 5-8			15:00 - 16:00	46	POS 5-8		
		vs					vs		
16:00 - 17:00		Coaches	vs	College 1st					
17:00 - 18:00	47	SEMI 1 A			17:00 - 18:00	48	SEMI 1		
		vs							
19:00 - 20:00	49	SEMI 2 A			19:00 - 20:00	50	SEMI 2		
		vs					vs		

SUNDAY									
TIME	Match Number				TIME	Match Number			
08:00 - 09:00	53	POS 11/12			08:00 - 09:00	52	POS 13/14		
		vs					vs		
09:00 - 10:00	55	POS 7/8			09:00 - 10:00	B57	B Section : POS 3/4 - B		
		vs					vs		
10:00 - 11:00	57	POS 3/4			10:00 - 11:00	54	POS 9/10		
		vs					vs		
11:00 - 12:00	C28	U16 FINAL			11:00 - 12:00	56	POS 5/6		
		vs							
12:00 - 13:00	B58	SECTION B FINAL							
		vs							
13:00 - 14:00	58	SECTION A FINAL							
		vs							
14:00 - 15:00	Closing Ceremony @ GHS								

- The A Section 15th/16th-place match will be played at St John's on 9 August at 8:00 am.



POOLS B Section

POOL A	TEAM
	PMB Invitational
	The Glen High School
	St. Mary's DSG, Pretoria
	Hermansberg
POOL B	TEAM
	Danville Park Girls' High
	Carter High School
	Wise Owl School, Zimbabwe
	Thomas More College
POOL C	TEAM
	Northlands Girls' High
	Wartburg Kirchdorf
	St Mary's DSG, Kloof
	ATS Select
POOL D	TEAM
	Westville Girls' High
	Alexandra High
	LIV Village
	Lereko 2



FIXTURES B Section

Venue: St John's

B Section Fixtures

THURSDAY									
TIME	Match Number	COURT A			TIME	Match Number	COURT B		
12:00 - 13:00	B1	PMB INVI			12:00 - 13:00	B2	St Marys DSG Pretoria		
13:00 - 14:00	B3	Danville Park Girls' High School			13:00 - 14:00	B4	Wise Owl School, Marondera Zimbabwe		
14:00 - 15:00	B5	Northlands Girls' High School			14:00 - 15:00	B6	St Mary's DSG, Kloof		
15:00 - 16:00	B7	Westville Girls' High School			15:00 - 16:00	B8	LIV Village		
16:00 - 17:00	B9	PMB INVI			16:00 - 17:00	B10	The Glen High School		
18:00 - 19:00	B11	Danville Park Girls' High School			18:00 - 19:00	B12	Carter High School		
19:00 - 20:00	B13	Northlands Girls' High School			19:00 - 20:00	B14	Wartburg Kirchdorf School		

FRIDAY									
TIME	Match Number				TIME	Match Number			
08:00 - 09:00	B15	Alexandra High School			08:00 - 09:00	B16	Westville Girls' High School		
09:00 - 10:00	B17	PMB INVI			09:00 - 10:00	B18	The Glen High School		
10:00 - 11:00	B19	Danville Park Girls' High School			10:00 - 11:00	B20	Carter High School		
11:00 - 12:00	B21	Northlands Girls' High School			11:00 - 12:00	B22	Wartburg Kirchdorf School		
12:00 - 13:00	B23	Westville Girls' High School			12:00 - 13:00	B24	Alexandra High School		
13:00 - 14:00		BREAK			13:00 - 14:00		BREAK		
14:00 - 15:00	B25	A1			14:00 - 15:00	B26	A3		
15:00 - 16:00	B27	B1			15:00 - 16:00	B28	B3		
16:00 - 17:00	B29	C1			16:00 - 17:00	B30	C3		
17:00 - 18:00	B31	D1			17:00 - 18:00	B32	D3		

SATURDAY									
TIME	Match Number				TIME	Match Number			
08:00 - 09:00	B33	A1			08:00 - 09:00	B34	A3		
09:00 - 10:00	B35	B1			09:00 - 10:00	B36	B3		
10:00 - 11:00	B37	A2			10:00 - 11:00	B38	A4		
11:00 - 12:00	B39	B2			11:00 - 12:00	B40	B4		
12:00 - 13:00		BREAK			12:00 - 13:00		BREAK		
13:00 - 14:00	B41	POS 13-16			13:00 - 14:00	B42	POS 13-16		
14:00 - 15:00	B43	POS 9-12			14:00 - 15:00	B44	POS 9-12		
15:00 - 16:00	B45	POS 5-8			15:00 - 16:00	B46	POS 5-8		
16:00 - 17:00		BREAK			16:00 - 17:00		BREAK		
17:00 - 18:00	B47	SEMI 1 B			17:00 - 18:00	B48	SEMI 1 B		
19:00 - 20:00	B49	SEMI 2 B			19:00 - 20:00	B50	SEMI 2 B		

SUNDAY									
TIME	Match Number				TIME	Match Number			
08:00 - 09:00	B51	A SECTION 15/16			08:00 - 09:00	B52	POS 13/14		
09:00 - 10:00	B51	POS 15/16			09:00 - 10:00	B54	POS 9/10		
10:00 - 11:00	B53	POS 11/12			10:00 - 11:00	B56	POS 5/6		
11:00 - 12:00	B55	POS 7/8							
14:00 - 15:00		Closing Ceremony @ GHS							

- The B Section 3rd/4th-place match will be played at GHS on 9 August at 9:00 am.
- The B Section final will be played at GHS on 9 August at 12:00 pm.



U16 SECTION

	Pool A	Pool B
1	Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School	Epworth High School
2	Maritzburg Christian School	St John's DSG
3	St Anne's Diocesan College	TWC
4	The Heritage School Zimbabwe	Thomas More College

FIXTURES U16 SECTION

Venue: GHS Outdoor



u16 Section

Fixtures

THURSDAY

TIME	Match Number	COURT A		TIME	Match Number	COURT B	
12:00 - 13:00	C1	Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School	vs	St Anne's Diocesan College	12:00 - 13:00	C2	TWC vs Epworth High School
13:00 - 14:00					13:00 - 14:00	C3	St John's DSG vs Thomas More College
14:00 - 15:00							
15:00 - 16:00	C4	Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School	vs	Maritzburg Christian School			

FRIDAY

TIME	Match Number	COURT A		TIME	Match Number	COURT B	
08:00 - 09:00	C5	Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School	vs	The Heritage School Zimbabwe	08:00 - 09:00	C6	Epworth High School vs St John's DSG
09:00 - 10:00	C7	St Anne's Diocesan College	vs	Maritzburg Christian School	09:00 - 10:00	C8	TWC vs Thomas More College
10:00 - 11:00							
11:00 - 12:00	C9	Maritzburg Christian School	vs	The Heritage School Zimbabwe	11:00 - 12:00	C10	Epworth High School vs Thomas More College
12:00 - 13:00					12:00 - 13:00	C11	St John's DSG vs TWC
13:00 - 14:00							
14:00 - 15:00	C12	The Heritage School Zimbabwe	vs	St Anne's Diocesan College			

SATURDAY

TIME	Match Number	COURT A		TIME	Match Number	COURT B	
08:00 - 09:00	C13	A1	vs	B4	08:00 - 09:00	C14	B1 vs A4
09:00 - 10:00	C15	A2	vs	B3	09:00 - 10:00	C16	B2 vs A3
10:00 - 11:00							
11:00 - 12:00	C17	A1	vs	B3	11:00 - 12:00	C18	B1 vs A3
12:00 - 13:00	C19	A2	vs	B4	12:00-13:00	C20	B2 vs A4
13:00 - 14:00							
14:00-15:00	C21	POS 5-8		14:00 - 15:00	C22	POS 5-8	
			vs				vs
15:00-16:00	C23	SEMI 1		15:00-16:00	C24	SEMI 2	
			vs				vs

SUNDAY

TIME	Match Number	COURT A		TIME	Match Number	COURT B	
09:00 - 10:00	C25	POS 5/6		09:00 - 10:00	C26	POS 7/8	
							vs
10:00 - 11:00	C27	POS 3/4					
14:00 - 15:00	Closing Ceremony @ GHS						

- The U16 final will be played indoors at GHS on 9 August at 11:00 am.



Tournament Rules & Regulations

1. There will not be a managers meeting - Teams are required to register at their playing venue one hour before their first match. Once registration has been completed, no changes may be made to the team sheet.

Requirements at Registration

- Team lists must be signed off.
- Social Media Declaration Forms must be submitted.

2. Please be at your playing venue at least 30 minutes before the start of your game to ensure that all games run on time.

2. Arrival at Venue

Teams must be at their playing venue at least 30 minutes before the scheduled start of their match to ensure the tournament runs on time.

3. Venue & Parking Information

3.1 Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School (GHS)

Teams and spectators must use the Topham Road entrance.

Parking Regulations

- Only vehicles with valid parking discs will receive free entry.
- A parking fee of R20 per vehicle applies for parking within the secure premises at GHS per day. R50 per vehicle for a weekend pass.

3.2 St John's DSG

Teams and spectators must use the Harwin Road entrance and enter via the Indoor Centre.

Please note:

- Parking at St John's DSG is outside the property only.
- Vehicles will not be permitted onto the property unless authorised.
- Parking is at your own risk

Parking Regulations

- Access will not be permitted through any other entrances.
- Parking is at your own risk.

No person may go beyond the Indoor Centres into the school grounds at either venue.

. Technical Table Reporting

The coach or manager must report to the technical table 30 minutes before the game.

5. Warm-Up Procedures

Teams must warm up on:

- the middle court, or
- designated warm-up areas adjacent to the playing venues.

Teams must be ready to start matches on time.

Tournament Rules & Regulations



4. Match Regulations

All standard FIBA rules apply unless superseded by the tournament rules.

Should a team fail to be ready to play within 15 minutes of the scheduled fixture time, the match will be forfeited and recorded as a 20–0 loss to the defaulting team.

Teams are requested to take travelling time into consideration to ensure punctual arrival.

7. Match Format

Matches will consist of:

- Four quarters of 7 minutes running time
- The final 2 minutes of the 4th quarter will be stop-start time

Intervals:

- 1-minute time-outs (match time stops during a time-out)
- 1-minute quarter intervals
- 3-minute half-time interval

Please note:

- Scheduled start times will be strictly adhered to.
- No time-outs may be called during the final 2 minutes of the last quarter of the match.
- **One time-out per team is permitted per quarter.**

8. Overtime

- In the event of a draw at the end of regulation time:
- A 3-minute running-time overtime period will be played.
- If scores remain level, the game will proceed to sudden death.

9. Pool Points & Rankings

Points Allocation

- Win = 2 points
- Loss = 1 point
- Forfeit = 0 points

Tie-Break Procedure

If teams are level on points after pool matches, rankings will be determined by:

- Result between tied teams
- Goal difference
- Goals scored

10. Protests

The Head Coach has 10 minutes after the completion of a match to lodge a protest.

Protest Requirements

- A R1000 cash fee must accompany the protest.
- The protest must be submitted in writing by the team representative.

Protests will be reviewed by the Head Technical Officials from each venue.

If the protest is upheld, the full R1000 fee will be refunded.



Tournament Rules & Regulations

11. Team Benches

- Teams listed first on the programme will sit on the left bench.
- Teams listed second will sit on the right bench.

12. Playing Kit

Teams listed first on the programme must wear:

- light-coloured kit, or
- bibs in the event of a colour clash.

13. Discipline & Conduct

Poor behaviour by players, coaches, or officials towards referees will not be tolerated.

Any player or coach receiving three technical fouls during the tournament will receive a one-game suspension.

14. Forfeits

Two forfeited matches will result in:

- automatic disqualification from the 2026 tournament, and
- exclusion from the 2027 tournament.

15. Medical & First Aid

Each team must provide:

- their own First Aid Kit, and
- strapping supplies.

Paramedics will be available at each venue for serious injuries.

Team management will be responsible for transporting players to hospital if necessary.

Please refer to the Tournament Booklet for emergency contact details.

16. Spectator Regulations

16.1 Scholar Spectators

All scholar spectators must:

- be in full school uniform, and
- be accompanied by an adult.

16.2 Adult Spectators

Adult spectators will be admitted at the discretion of venue security.

16.3 Bags

No bags may be brought onto the property.

16.4 Venue Access

- GHS spectators must use the Topham Road entrance.
- St John's DSG spectators must use the Harwin Road entrance.



Tournament Rules & Regulations

Spectator Hours

- Thursday: 12:00 – 18:00
- Friday: 08:00 – 18:00
- Saturday: 08:00 – 18:00
- Sunday: 08:00 - 15:00

16.5 Restricted Areas

Spectators may not wander around school properties beyond:

- the playing venues, and
- the Food Fair area at GHS.

Any person found outside authorised areas may be asked to leave the property.

17. Logs & Play-Off Fixtures

Team officials are responsible for checking logs to confirm play-off fixtures before leaving the venue.

Incorrect results must immediately be reported to:

- Tournament Organisers, and
- Head Technical Officials.

Log standings will also be shared on the Tournament WhatsApp group.

18. Player Eligibility

18.1 All players: U19 Age Group

- must be officially registered at their respective school,
- must play in the correct numbered shirt, and
- must be turning 19 or less in 2026.

Age verification may be requested.

Each team manager must keep certified copies of each player's:

- ID document,
- Passport, or
- Birth certificate,

including the school stamp and principal's signature. (To be handed in at registration)

18.2 All players: U16 Age Group

- must be officially registered at their respective school,
- must play in the correct numbered shirt, and
- must be turning 16 or less in 2026.

Age verification may be requested.

Each team manager must keep certified copies of each player's:

- ID document,
- Passport, or
- Birth certificate,

including the school stamp and principal's signature. (To be handed in at registration)

Tournament Rules & Regulations



19. Tournament Awards

All-Star Team

A selection panel will appoint the All-Star Team.

Awards include:

- All-Star Team (Top 5 voted players)
- MVP Award (highest nominations overall)
- Finals MVP Award

20. Promotion & Relegation Rules

A Division

- The team finishing 16th in the A Division will be relegated to the B Division in 2027.

B Division

- The team finishing 1st in the B Division will be promoted to the A Division in 2027.

Tournament Relegation

- The team finishing 32nd overall will be relegated from the tournament in 2027.

This rule excludes Pietermaritzburg (KZN) schools. Should a Pietermaritzburg school finish last, the lowest-ranked non-Pietermaritzburg school will be relegated instead.

Final Note

This is a schools' tournament, and good sportsmanship is expected at all times.

Unsportsmanlike behaviour by players, team officials, or supporters will not be tolerated.



Lightning Safety Policy

The safety of all players, officials, coaches, spectators, and staff remains our highest priority. The tournament operates under a strict lightning safety protocol.

Lightning Detection System

A lightning alarm is situated on the grass field below the outdoor basketball courts. The alarm siren will activate when lightning is detected within a 15 km radius of the school premises.

Procedure When the Siren Sounds

Should the lightning alarm sound:

1. **All outdoor matches must be suspended immediately.**
2. Players, coaches, officials, and spectators must move promptly to designated safe areas.
3. Teams and officials on the courts closest to the grass field must proceed directly to the **Indoor Sports Centre** and remain seated in the upstairs spectator area.
4. Teams and officials on the courts closest to the classroom blocks must move onto the school building corridors and follow the designated route to the **Indoor Sports Centre**.
5. Should the Indoor Sports Centre reach capacity, additional teams and officials will be accommodated in the **School Gymnasium**.
6. No individual may remain on the outdoor courts, open fields, or uncovered areas once the siren has sounded.

During the Suspension

All participants must remain in the designated safe areas until the all-clear signal has been given.

The all-clear will only sound **30 minutes after the last detected lightning strike within the 15 km radius**.

Resumption of Play

Once the all-clear has been sounded:

- Tournament management will assess all court and weather conditions.
- A decision will then be made regarding the safe resumption of play.
- In the event of delays caused by lightning, severe weather, or other unforeseen circumstances, the Tournament Organising Committee reserves the right to amend the tournament schedule to ensure the completion of the event.
- This may include the shortening of match durations, adjustment of quarter lengths, reduction of warm-up periods, or modification of game intervals. Any such changes will be communicated to coaches, team managers, referees, and officials as soon as reasonably possible.
- All decisions made by the Tournament Director and Organising Committee regarding schedule amendments shall be final and binding.



Lightning Safety Policy

Match Results During a Lightning Suspension

In the event that a lightning suspension occurs during a game:

- **Any match that has completed the third quarter shall be deemed a completed match, and the score at the time of suspension will stand as the final result.**
- Matches suspended before the completion of the third quarter will be dealt with in accordance with the tournament contingency schedule and at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

Compliance

All teams, coaches, officials, volunteers, and spectators are required to comply immediately with the instructions of tournament staff and venue marshals during any weather-related suspension.

Failure to comply with safety directives may result in removal from the venue and/or disciplinary action by tournament management.

Safety first. No match result is more important than the wellbeing of our participants and guests.

Vendors



***Food Vendors will be located at
PMB Girls' High
on 6 - 9 August***





Parking Reminder

***Please inform your
parents/spectators about the PAID
PARKING at GHS***

**Entry to the property is through
Topham Road (41 Topham Road)**

**Proceed to park in the parking lot or
BE park.**

**Exit is through the BE park and BE
Gate.**

**Parking is R20 Cash/Card. Payable
upon exit.**

**Parents/Spectators may purchase a
weekend pass for R50 as well.**

Tuck shop @ St John's



***Please note that a small tuck shop
will be available at St John's***

***Note that this tuck shop will be
CASHLESS***

Meals Provided by GHS



7 August

Build-A-Burger meal for all participants at GHS Morningside Dining Hall. Schedule for teams below.

Please could teams be mindful of their allocated time and vacate the dining room promptly to ensure that there is enough space for the following teams.

	Serving Station 1	Serving Station 2	
5:30 PM	U16 Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School	U16 Epworth High School	5:30 PM
	U16 Maritzburg Christian School	U16 St John's DSG	
	U16 St Anne's Diocesan College	U16 TWC	
	U16 The Heritage School Zimbabwe	U16 Thomas More College	
	Sacred Heart	St Stithians Girls College	
	Lereko 1	St John's DSG	
6:00 PM	PMB GHS	St Anne's Diocesan College	6:00 PM
	Pretoria High School for Girls	Howick High School	
	Durban Girls' High School	St Peters College	
	PMB Invitational	Northlands Girls' High	
	Thomas More College	Lereko 2	
	The Glen High School	Wartburg Kirchdorf	
	St. Mary's DSG, Pretoria	St Mary's DSG, Kloof	
6:30 PM	Dominican Convent High School, Zimbabwe	The Heritage School, Zimbabwe	6:30 PM
	St Mary's School, Waverley	Holy Rosary School	
	Epworth High School	The Wykeham Collegiate	
	Hermansberg	ATS Select	
	Danville Park Girls' High	Westville Girls' High	
	Carter High School	Alexandra High	
	Wise Owl School, Zimbabwe	LIV Village	

Please note: It is imperative that your team lists are filled in correctly with the correct dietary requirements to avoid any disappointment





Accommodation

**It is the onus of the team to arrange their own accommodation.
Please respect the property of your accommodation.**

RECOMMENDATIONS

African Enterprise
033 347 7048
centre@ae.org.za

Mountain View
033 940 0155
076 985 4303

Aintree Lodge
033 386 7956

Stay Easy
033 897 6650
sepietermaritzburg.reservations@tsgosun.com

Ascot Inn
033 387 1324

Regal Inn
033 345 0488

Duvets & Crumpets
033 394 4133
duvetandcrumpets@lantic.net

Road Lodge
031 065 0999
rlpmb.dm@clhg.com

Jean-Lee Bed and Breakfast
033 346 0470
infojeanlee.co.za

Wensleydale Guest Lodge
033 346 1302
info@wensleydalelodge.co.za

Lincoln Cottages
072 218 6346/ 033 396 4576
info@lincolncottages.co.za



Medics and Emergencies

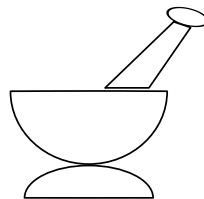


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90 Payn Street
033 845 3700
2.3 km



St Anne's Hospital
331 Burger Street
033 897 5000
3 km

Msunduzi Daynite Pharmacy
273 Alexandra Road
033 346 1067
160m



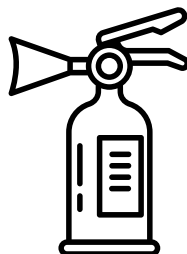
Duzimed Pharmacy
352 Burger Street
033 342 1200
3.1 km

SAPS Alexandra Road
101 Alexandra Road
033 845 7703
1 km



SAPS Town Hill Police Station
5 Montgomery Drive
033 845 7789
7 km

Pietermaritzburg Fire Station
324 Pietermaritz Street
033 845 5900
4 km



Oribi Fire Station
120 Oribi Road
033 392 3116
2.2 km



Points of Interest

Liberty Midlands Mall

S: 29 34.965 E: 30 22.592

9.1 km

Woodburn Square

15 Woodhouse Road

2 km

Athlone Circle Mall

1 Montgomery Drive

7.1 km

Brookside Mall

Gumtree Road and Willow Road

5 km

Cascades Lifestyle Centre

23 McCarthy Drive

7.9 km

Hayfields Mall

28 Blackburrow Road

3.3 km



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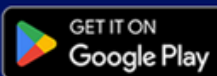
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**PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT 4 OF 2013 ("POPIA") –
CONSENT BY ALL PARENTS AND/OR LEARNERS PARTICIPATING ON THE SCHOOL
 PREMISES OF PIETERMARITZBURG GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL**

The Governing Body of Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School and Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School ("the School") has concluded an agreement with Supersport Schools (Pty) Ltd. ("Supersport") to install Pixellot (audio-visual) Automated Equipment ("the equipment") on the School's premises. The following is brought to your attention:

1. the equipment will enable the automated recording of all matches, practices and/or events hosted on certain sports fields, the swimming pool, the school hall and/or other designated areas, with or without specific demarcation;
2. the equipment is capable of delivering streamed audio-visual content to any third-party device via a signal, the internet and/or a mobile connection;
3. any audio-visual contents captured by the equipment may be broadcast to any third-party viewer within or outside the borders of the Republic of South Africa using any available means, but on the understanding that Supersport will not broadcast any audio-visual contents created by the equipment to any country or nation that does not have their own privacy and data protection legislation that is not inconsistent with POPIA. Supersport and/or its affiliates have undertaken not to provide any broadcasting service or feed to any country or nation that does not have data protection laws;
4. The feed created by the equipment will include any broadcast or live stream feed or delayed feed comprised of footage and/or coverage of an event hosted on the School's premises and or other events produced for, by, or on behalf of the School and made available on the apps created for this purpose and/or any of the Supersport platforms, including social media platforms;
5. The contents that may form part of any feed includes, but it not limited to, any audio-visual school content and footage of sporting events, clips, arts and cultural events, social events and functions, interviews, news, award ceremonies and special events and programming hosted at the School with the consent of the School and selected by the School at their discretion for transmission and recording purposes, produced and recorded by the equipment or other means including by a production crew of Supersport;
6. The contents of any feed may be made available or streamed on any social media platform, including, but not limited to, Facebook, Twitter, Tik Tok, Instagram or YouTube and/or any other social media platforms, service or application operated by the School, Supersport or any of its affiliates;
7. The School may also create its own contents and/or feed, using the equipment, and may broadcast and/or make available on any social media platform or app, contents which it, in its sole discretion, decides to broadcast and/or make available, which may include, but which is not limited to:

- a. "live" or "near-live" clips and highlights of any event;
- b. delayed clips and highlights;
- c. advertising and promotional content in any and all media within and outside of the Republic of South Africa; and
- d. insert and/or post any hyperlink onto any School platform including its website and/or app to enable alumni to access any event, whether "live" or delayed.

Wherefore I, the undersigned, hereby agree and acknowledge that:

- a) I have been made aware of the fact that the School has concluded the aforementioned agreement with Supersport and its affiliates and that the equipment will be installed on the School's premises;
- b) any audio-visual footage and/or video and/or image and/or sound captured of me and/or my child by the equipment may be utilised by the School and/or Supersport and/or its affiliates as operator(s) for any purpose, including commercial purposes;
- c) I hereby consent to the collection, processing and further processing of my and/or my child's personal information and to the entering of my and/or my child's personal information into any record held by the School and/or Supersport and/or its affiliates as operator(s);
- d) I consent to the indefinite retention of my and/or my child's personal information and/or record by the School, Supersport and/or any of its affiliates as operator(s);
- e) I and/or my child may not participate in any sporting, cultural and/or other event in respect of which the equipment will be utilised to stream, broadcast and/or record such event, if this consent is not signed and returned to the School prior to the sporting, cultural and/or other event;
- f) in addition to the specific consent given hereby relating to the use of the equipment, I consent on behalf of both myself and my child to the collection, processing and further processing by the School and/or its media representatives of our personal information and to the recording thereof on any social media platforms, in the press, and in the School marketing material; and
- g) this consent will apply from date of signature hereof for an indefinite period and until such time as I withdraw the consent given in terms hereof by given written notice to the principal of the School.

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We proudly invite companies and organisations to partner with us in this prestigious event. Sponsorship opportunities include monetary contributions, product support, or prize sponsorships, each offering significant advertising exposure across multiple platforms:

- D6 Communicator (reaching approximately 2,400 parents)
- Instagram (9,000+ followers) and Facebook (27,500+ followers).
- Displays in our dedicated Sponsor Walkway and the official tournament programme.
- Advertising space within the Sylvia Vietzen Community Centre and surrounding structures.
- Opportunities for visibility on the SuperSport Schools App, with the entire tournament live-streamed.
- Branded banners displayed at all tournament venues, including top-class indoor centres.

Download the full Sponsorship Proposal document here <https://ghspmb.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/General-Sponsorship-Val-Fowler-2026.pdf>



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