

ASRU announce partnership with Edstart for the Australian Schools Rugby Championships



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The Australian Schools Rugby Union is proud to announce a new major partnership with Edstart for the next three years.

Edstart – an education technology and finance company specialising in fee solutions for schools and families – will feature at the Australian Schools Rugby Championships 2022 at Knox Grammar School, Sydney 5-9 July 2022.

This new agreement will see Edstart play an active role in supporting schools rugby and builds on their existing initiatives to help develop future rugby talent in Australia, including the Edstart Rugby Scholarship Program in NSW and their sponsorship of grassroots rugby in WA.

Edstart CEO, Jack Stevens is excited about the new partnership with Australian Schools Rugby Union.

“We’re proud to have supported so many young players over the past few years, and this presents a great opportunity for us to continue our work across both the rugby and school community,” Stevens said.

“We sincerely thank Edstart for their support of Australian Schools Rugby, and especially these Australian Schools Rugby Championships,” said Kevin Culliver OAM, President of the Australian Schools Rugby Union ‘ASRU’.

“It is through the corporate support, partnerships and leadership of companies such as Edstart that the Australian Schools Rugby Championship can continue to flourish, identifying outstanding young athletes for Rugby Australia’s national men’s and women’s teams, something the ASRU has excelled in for over 50 years.”

“This exciting return to touring, post COVID, will be welcomed by all in Schools Rugby in Australia and Japan, and Edstart has helped to make this possible,” continued Culliver, speaking of the forthcoming Australian Schools ‘Australia A’ tour of Japan.

“It is also very exciting to incorporate the Girls 7 tournament in the Championship for the first time, and to announce the Australian Schools Girls Sevens Merit Teams.”

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“This is the first time a Girls Schools National 7 tournament has been held to coincide with the Boys Schools Championship, and everyone is very enthusiastic and supportive of the growth potential for the future,” said Culliver.

The Australian Schools Rugby Union 7’s Girls Merit Teams (Open) have been invited by Rugby Australia to attend a national training camp to be eligible for Australian U18 selection.

About Edstart

Edstart is a leading technology and financial services company providing funding and payment services for education. We offer fee management solutions to schools to help improve their finances and flexible payment plans to parents to help align school fees with their budget. To find out more, visit edstart.com.au.

About the Australian Schools Rugby Championships

The 48th Australian Schools Rugby Championships will take place at Knox Grammar School, Sydney from the 5th to 9th July 2022. The Championship includes a Boys Schools U18s and a Girls Schools National 7 tournament, with eight boy’s teams and seven girl’s teams totalling 290 athletes representing four states. The Girls 7 tournament includes an Open and Under 16 divisions. An Australian Schools ‘Australia A’ boys team of 27 will be announced following the Championship final with the team touring Japan in September/October 2022, An Australian Schools 7’s Girls Merit Team (Open) will be selected and will attend a national training camp with RU to be eligible for Australian U18 selection.

About the Australian Schools Rugby Union ‘ASRU’

The Australian Schools Rugby Union ‘ASRU’ is an independent incorporated association run by volunteer members of the teaching profession and supporters who believe rugby has a unique ethos and benefits that contribute to the broader education of young people.

For over 50 years the ASRU has provided an expansive nursery to foster the opportunities and aspirations of schools rugby players from a wide range of established and emerging competitions and networks. From the 1984 Grand Slam winning Wallabies team and the two Wallabies World Cup winning teams in 1991 and 1999, 27 of the players were Australian Schoolboy representatives. Since its inception in 1969 over 200 representatives of the Australian Schools Rugby Union have gone on to represent the Wallabies in the international arena. Hundreds more have been selected in state and other representative teams during this time.

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