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1	0	11.06.2015	Initial draft (Available – not certain whether there were any prior versions of this policy).
2	0	November 2020	Review the entire document and changes were made to all sections. Added more sports – Football and Mind Games (Chess & Scrabble).
3	0	20.06.2023	Review the entire document and changes were made to all sections. Incorporated Color Award for Cricket Under 19 All Annexures were removed and shall be published as a separate document.

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## 1. OBJECTIVES OF AWARDING COLORS

Colors are awarded to:

- 1.1 Motivate students to excel at various sports/games
- 1.2 Recognize their achievements in sports/games
- 1.3 Develop sportsmanship.

## 2. DEFINITIONS

### 2.1 Definition of Colors

The distinguishing emblems awarded for achieving prescribed criteria for each sport/ game given in this Policy. The term 'Colors' is used to identify any award under the definition of 'Senior Colors/Junior Colors/Color Band'.

### 2.2 Definition of Colorsmen/Colorswomen

Sportspersons who are awarded Colors by SLSM and are authorized to wear Colors insignia.

### 2.3 Defined Abbreviations

- 2.3.1 "BOD" – The Board of Directors of SLSM.
- 2.3.2 "HOD" – Head of Department
- 2.3.3 "IHAM" – Inter House Athletic Meet
- 2.3.4 "ISAC" – Inter-International Schools Athletic Competition.
- 2.3.5 "MOE" – Ministry of Education
- 2.3.6 "MVP" – Most Valuable Player
- 2.3.7 "OC" – Oman Cricket Board also known as Oman Cricket
- 2.3.8 "SLSM" – Sri Lankan School Muscat
- 2.3.9 "SMT" – The Senior Management Team

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## 2.4 Defined Terms

- 2.4.1 "Panel of Selection" - The Panel designated for the purpose of selecting color recipients (Refer to Clause No: 16 of this Policy).
- 2.4.2 "Standard Inter School Tournament/Meet" - Inter school tournament / meet held in any country consisting of minimum five schools, including SLSM. (Minimum number of schools may not be applicable to Tournaments Organized by The Ministry of Education, Ministry of Sports or Oman Cricket)
- 2.4.3 "Squad" - All the players who shall be selected to play in any game for the respective year (Refer to the table below for Cricket, Basketball and Football); following are the defined numbers.
- 2.4.4 "Team" - All the players who shall be selected from the Squad for a game (Refer to the Table below for Cricket, Basketball, Football)

<b>Game</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Squad</b>
Cricket	15 (Reserve 4 inclusive)	20
Basketball	12 (Reserve 2 inclusive)	15
Football	10 (Reserve 3 inclusive)	15

- 2.4.5 "Participation" - Being present at the sport/game as a team/squad member, with readiness to play at any required moment during a match.
- 2.4.6 "The Sports Department" - The sports department of SLSM headed by the (HOD) Sports.
- 2.4.7 "Academic Year" - Academic year is as defined in the Constitution of the Sri Lankan School Muscat which states 'The academic year of the school is the period from 01 September to 31 August' or as determined by the BOD in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.
- 2.4.8 "The Policy" - This policy document, named "Sri Lankan School Muscat-Colors Policy".



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### 3. MODE OF AWARDING COLORS

#### 3.1 'Senior Colors'

'Senior Colors' shall be awarded only to Sportspersons over 15 years of age category who have excelled as per the criteria given in this policy.

A school crest with the inscription 'Senior Colors (Name of Sport/game)' shall be awarded to the recipient, as per clause 6.1.



#### 3.2 'Junior Colors'

Sportspersons of Under 15 age category who have excelled as per the criteria given in this policy shall be awarded 'Junior Colors'.

A school crest with the inscription 'Junior Colors (Name of Sport/game)' shall be awarded to the recipient, as per clause 6.1.



#### 3.3 'Color Band'

Sportspersons of Under 13 age category who have excelled as per the criteria given in this policy shall be awarded with 'Color Bands', as per clause 6.1.



- 3.4 A student may be awarded Colors more than once for the same sport/ game.
- 3.5 On a repeated award, only a certificate shall be awarded with the words "Colors Repeat Award".
- 3.6 The Colors Crest for any particular game shall be awarded only once to a sportsperson.
- 3.7 Events with mixed age groups: If any sports event is represented by a team comprising of students of different age categories, and becomes eligible for an award of Colors, age-appropriate Colors will be awarded.

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#### 4. WEARING OF COLORS

- 4.1 Senior Colors/Junior Colors shall be worn on the School Blazer during ceremonial events as directed by the School.
- 4.2 Color Bands shall be worn on School uniform.

#### 5. SPORTS/GAMES APPROVED BY SLSM FOR AWARDING COLORS

- 5.1 Games/sports approved under this policy are as follows:
  - Athletics
  - Basketball
  - Cricket
  - Badminton
  - Table Tennis
  - Football
  - Mind Games (Chess/Scrabble)
- 5.2 Inclusion or exclusion of a sport/game shall be made only by revision to this policy by a committee appointed for such purpose, under the recommendation of the Sports Department, approved by SMT, subject to ratification of the BOD.

#### 6. CRITERIA FOR AWARDING COLORS

- 6.1 Age group is decided as of 31<sup>st</sup> December of the respective Academic year of awarding Colors. (E.g. The age group for the Academic year 2023/24 shall be decided based on the sportsperson's age as of 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2023).
- 6.2 Colors are awarded only for the achievements in approved sports/games as per Clause 5.1.

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- 6.3 If SLSM becomes the Champions in a team sport, at a standard Inter School Tournament, all members of the Team shall be eligible for Colors. However, any member who has participated in less than 50% of matches played by SLSM shall not be eligible for Colors.
- 6.4 If SLSM becomes the Champions in a team game organized by a National Body (E.g. a ministry of the Sultanate/Oman Cricket), all members of the Squad shall be eligible for Colors. However, any member who has participated in less than 50% of matches played by SLSM shall not be eligible for Colors.
- 6.5 Best performer (E.g. MVP, Best Batsman, Most Outstanding Player/Athlete, etc.) at any standard inter school tournament / meet or IHAM is eligible for Colors.
- 6.6 A sportsperson selected for a national team in a sport/game listed in clause 5.1, with the prior written approval of the principal, is eligible for Colors.
- 6.7 The onus of applying Clause 6.6 shall be with the SMT, subject to ratification by BOD.
- 6.8 In Any Inter House event, an athlete shall not be eligible for Colors unless a minimum of two (02) houses participate in the event. Athletes shall participate in events having more than one house to be eligible for the Championship that eventually enables them to be eligible for Colors.

## 7. ATHLETICS

- 7.1 The selection criteria under the age specified categories for Inter House Athletic Meet Rules and Regulations are as follows.

	Under 9	Under 11	Under 13	Under 15	Under 17	Over 17
Girls	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Boys	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

- 7.2 A Player who achieves any of the following criteria shall be eligible for colors:
- 7.2.1 A Champion athlete at the Inter House Athletic Meet in the respective Academic year.

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- 7.2.2 Setting a record or equaling an existing record in any event (including relay events and road race) at the inter House Athletic Meet. (When more than one athlete surpasses an existing record, only the highest achiever shall be eligible for Colors).
- 7.2.3 An athlete who obtains first place in any event (including relay events) at a standard Inter School Meet for Athletics.
- 7.2.4 An athlete who has participated at Inter-International Schools' Athletic Competition (IISAC), Junior/ Senior National Championships (E.g. Sir John Tarbet Championship, Relay Carnival organized by the Sri Lankan Schools Athletic Association or similar National Athletic Competitions in any country) with the prior written approval of the principal and having secured a position among the first eight places (finalists).
- 7.3 In addition to the above, a player who satisfies the criteria mentioned in Clause 06 "Criteria for awarding colors" shall be eligible for colors.

## 8. BASKETBALL

- 8.1 The selection criteria under the specified age categories for Inter House Basketball Tournament Rules and Regulations are as follows.

	Under 13	Under 15	Over 15
Girls	✓	✓	✓
Boys	✓	✓	✓

- 8.2 A Player who has achieved following criteria at an Inter House Tournament / Interschool Tournament is eligible for colors:
- 8.2.1 A Player who becomes the MVP at the Inter House Basketball Tournaments.
- 8.2.2 The MVP will be selected by the external referees appointed for the purpose during the tournament.
- 8.3 In addition to the above, a player who satisfies the criteria mentioned in Clause 06 "Criteria for awarding colors" shall be eligible for colors.

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## 9. CRICKET

- 9.1 The benchmark under The Policy is based on the format of the game defined by OC in the particular year for under 13, under 16 and under 19 age groups of boys / girls respectively.
- 9.2 Cricket Colors shall be awarded on the performance of player/s at the Inter School Cricket Tournament organized by OC or at a standard Inter School Tournament.
- 9.3 Should SLSM become the champions of an Inter school tournament organized by OC, SLSM Team shall be eligible for Colors as per Clause 6.
- 9.4 In the event SLSM not becoming champions, the following criteria shall apply for selecting players for awarding Colors:
  - The number of matches in which the particular player participated should not be less than 50% of the matches played by SLSM during the season/Tournament.
  - Calculation of performance shall be based on the statistics obtained from the official website of OC.

**Note a:** Batting averages shall be calculated by dividing the 'total runs scored' by the 'number of dismissals' during the particular season/tournament.

**Note b:** Bowling averages shall be calculated by dividing the 'total number of runs conceded' by the 'number of the wickets taken' during the particular season/tournament.

- 9.4.1 Cricket Colors shall be awarded to a player who becomes the topmost valuable player of the match (MVP) twice in the same tournament, according to the OC official website subject to the player having played in minimum 70% of the matches played by SLSM in the said tournament.
- 9.4.2 A player who is ranked among the top ten in the applicable OC "Player Ranking" shall be eligible for Colors.

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#### 9.4.3 BATTING

9.4.3.1 A player in Under 19 category who has achieved;

- i. A minimum batting average of 40 runs in the season/tournament **AND**
- ii. an aggregate not less than 40 runs X 50% of the matches played by SLSM shall be eligible for Colors.

9.4.3.2 A player in Under 16 category who has achieved;

- i. A minimum batting average of 35 runs in the season/tournament **AND**
- ii. an aggregate of not less than 35 runs X 50% of the matches played by SLSM shall be eligible for Colors.

9.4.3.3 A player in Under 13 category who has achieved;

- i. A minimum batting average of 30 runs in the season/tournament **AND**
- ii. an aggregate of not less than 30 runs X 50% of the matches played by SLSM shall be eligible for Colors.

9.4.3.4 A player in Girls' category who has achieved;

- i. A minimum batting average of 30 runs in the season/tournament **AND**
- ii. an aggregate of not less than 30 runs X 50% of the matches played by SLSM shall be eligible for Colors.

#### 9.4.4 BOWLING

9.4.4.1 A player in Under 19 Category who

- i. has taken an average of minimum 1.8 wickets per match **AND**
- ii. achieved the bowling average of 15 runs or below **AND**
- iii. participated in a minimum 50% of matches, **AND**
- iv. has taken total number of not less than 1.8 wickets X 50% of matches played by SLSM shall be eligible for colors.

9.4.4.2 A player in Under 16 Category who

- i. has taken an average of minimum 1.8 wickets per match **AND**
- ii. maintained the bowling average of 20 runs or below **AND**
- iii. participated in a minimum 50% of matches, **AND**



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- iv. has taken total number of not less than 1.8 wickets X 50% of matches played by SLSM shall be eligible for colors.

9.4.4.3 A player in Under 13 Category who

- i. has taken an average of minimum 1.8 wickets per match, **AND**
- ii. maintained the bowling average of 25 runs or below, **AND**
- iii. participated in a minimum 50% of matches, **AND**
- iv. has taken total number of not less than 1.8 wickets X 50% of matches played by SLSM shall be eligible for colors.

9.4.4.4 A player in Girls' Category who

- i. has taken an average of minimum 1.8 wickets per match, **AND**
- ii. maintained the bowling average of 20 runs or below, **AND**
- iii. participated in a minimum 50% of matches, **AND**
- iv. has taken total number of not less than 1.8 wickets X 50% of matches played by SLSM shall be eligible for colors.

9.4.5 WICKET KEEPING

9.4.5.1 Wicket Keeper: A player in Under 19 category;

- i. who was involved in a minimum 3 dismissals per match by stumping/catches as wicket keeper **AND**
- ii. conceded less than 10 Byes per match shall be eligible for colors, provided that the player performed as the Wicket keeper in a minimum of 70% of the matches played by SLSM.

9.4.5.2 Wicket Keeper: A player in Under 16 category;

- i. who was involved in a minimum of 3 dismissals per match by stumping/catches as the wicket keeper **AND**
- ii. gave away not more than 10 Byes per match, shall be eligible for colors provided that the player performed as the Wicket keeper in a minimum 70% of the matches played by SLSM.

9.4.5.3 Wicket Keeper: A player in Under 13 category;

- i. who was involved in minimum 3 dismissals per match by stumping/catches as the wicket keeper **AND**

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- ii. gave away not more than 15 Byes per match, shall be eligible for colors provided that the player performed as the Wicket keeper in a minimum 70% of the matches played by SLSM.

9.4.5.4 Wicket Keeper: A player in Girls' category;

- i. who was involved in a minimum 3 dismissals per match by stumping/catches as the wicket keeper **AND**
- ii. gave away not more than 10 Byes per match, shall be eligible for colors provided that the player performed as the Wicket keeper in a minimum 70% of the matches played by SLSM.

9.4.6 ALL-ROUNDERS

9.4.6.1 Combined performance - Under 19 Boys

A player who has played a minimum of 50% of the matches played in the Under 19 category in the season/tournament with;

- i. a batting average of not less than 25 runs **AND**
- ii. aggregate not less than 25 runs X 50% of matches played by SLSM **AND** Either of:
  - a) has taken an average of minimum of 1.4 wickets per match, at the bowling average of 25 runs or less, provided he has participated in 50% of matches and total number of wickets taken not less than 1.4 wickets X 50% of matches played by SLSM.

**OR**

b) taken minimum 2 dismissals per match by stumping/catches as the wicket keeper, with no more than 10 Byes per match, provided the player performed as the Wicket keeper in a minimum 70% of the matches played by SLSM, shall be eligible for Colors.

9.4.6.2 Combined performance - Under 16

A player who has played a minimum of 50% of the matches played in the Under 16 category in the season with;

- i. a batting average of not less than 25 runs **AND**
- ii. aggregate not less than 25 runs X 50% of number of matches played by SLSM **AND** Either of:

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a) has taken minimum of 1.4 wickets per match, at the bowling average of 25 runs or less, if he has participated in minimum of 50% of matches and total number of wickets taken not less than 1.4 wickets X 50% of matches played by SLSM.

**OR**

b) taken minimum 2 dismissals per match by stumping/catches as wicket keeper, with no more than 10 Byes per match, provided the player acted as Wicket keeper at minimum 70% of the matches played by SLSM, shall be eligible for Colors.

#### 9.4.6.3 Combined performance - Under 13

A player who has played a minimum of 50% of the matches played in the Under 13 category in the season with;

- i. a batting average of not less than 20 runs **AND**
- ii. aggregate not less than 20 runs X 50% of number of matches played by SLSM **AND** Either of:
  - a) has taken minimum of 1.4 wickets per match, at the bowling average of 30 runs or less, provided he has participated in minimum 50% of matches and total number of wickets taken not less than 1.4 wickets X 50% of matches played by SLSM"

**OR**

b) taken minimum 2 dismissals per match by stumping/catches as wicket keeper, with no more than 15 Byes per match, provided that the player acted as Wicket keeper at minimum 70% of the matches played by SLSM, shall be eligible for Colors.

#### 9.4.6.4 Combined performance - Girls' Category

A player who has played a minimum of 50% of the matches played in the Girls' category in the season with;

- i. a batting average of not less than 25 runs **AND**

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- ii. aggregate not less than 25 runs X 50% of number of matches played by SLSM **AND** Either of:

a) has taken an average of minimum of 1.4 wickets per match, at the bowling average of 30 runs or less, provided that the player has participated in minimum 50% of matches and total number of wickets taken not less than 1.4 wickets X 50% of matches played by SLSM

**OR**

b) taken minimum 2 dismissals per match by stumping/catches as wicket keeper, with no more than 10 Byes per match, provided the player acted as Wicket keeper at minimum 70% of the matches played by SLSM, shall be eligible for Colors.

## 10. BADMINTON

- 10.1 The selection criteria under the specified age categories for Inter House Tournament Rules and Regulations are as follows.

	Under 11	Under 13	Under 15	Over 15
Girls	✓	✓	✓	✓
Boys	✓	✓	✓	✓

- 10.2 A player who has achieved any of the following criteria shall be eligible for colors:

10.2.1 Achieving minimum two championships within three consecutive years including the year of award. Badminton Champion for each age category shall be the winner of both Singles and Doubles at the Inter house Badminton Tournament.

10.2.2 Achieving the first place (Gold Medal) in any Tournament at a standard Inter school Tournament for Badminton organized by a National Body (e.g. Ministry of Education / Ministry of sports).

- 10.3 In addition to above, a player who satisfies the criteria mentioned in Clause 06 "Criteria for awarding colors" shall be eligible for colors.
- 10.4 Once accumulated achievements in the past years considered for selection of Colors, those achievements will not be reconsidered for a repeated award.

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## 11. TABLE TENNIS

- 11.1 The selection criteria under the specified age categories for Inter House Table Tennis Tournament is as set follows.

	Under 13	Under 15	Over 15
Girls	✓	✓	✓
Boys	✓	✓	✓

- 11.2 A player who has achieved any of the following criteria shall be eligible for colors:

11.2.1 Achieving minimum 2 championships within three consecutive years including the year of award. The Table Tennis Champion for each age category shall be the winner of both Singles and Doubles at the Inter House Table Tennis Tournament.

11.2.2 Achieving the first place (Gold Medal) in any Tournament at a standard Inter school Tournament for Table Tennis organized by a National Body (e.g. Ministry of Education / Ministry of Sports).

- 11.3 In addition to the above, a player who satisfies the criteria mentioned in Clause 06 "Criteria for awarding colors" shall be eligible for colors.
- 11.4 Once accumulated achievements in the past years are considered for selection of Colors, those achievements will not be reconsidered for a repeated award.

## 12. FOOTBALL

- 12.1 The selection criteria under the specified age categories for Inter House Tournaments is as follows;

	Under 15	Over 15
Boys	✓	✓

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- 12.2 A Player who has achieved the following criteria shall be eligible for colors.
- 12.2.1 A player who has become the Best Player of the tournament (MVP) at the Inter House Football Tournament.
- 12.2.2 The MVP shall be selected by the external referees nominated for the purpose during the tournament.
- 12.2.3 Awarding / Non awarding of MVP is at the sole discretion of the external referees considering the standard of the player.
- 12.3 In addition to the above, a player who satisfies the criteria mentioned in Clause 06 "Criteria for awarding colors" shall be eligible for colors.

### 13. MIND GAMES (CHESS/SCRABBLE)

- 13.1 The selection criteria under the specified age categories for Inter House Tournaments are as follows;

#### Chess

	Under 9	Under 11	Under 13	Under 15	Over 15
Girls	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Boys	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

#### Scrabble

	Under 13	Under 15	Over 15
Girls & Boys	✓	✓	✓

- 13.2 A Player who has achieved any of the following criteria at an Inter House Tournament for a Mind Game shall be eligible for colors:
- 13.2.1 Achieving three championships within three consecutive years, including the year of award.
- 13.2.2 Achieving first place (Gold Medal) in any Tournament at a standard Inter school Tournament for Chess/Scrabble organized by a National Body (e.g. Ministry of Education / Ministry of Sports).

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- 13.3 Once accumulated achievements in the past years considered for selection of Colors, those achievements will not be re-considered for a repeated award.
- 13.4 Players shall be ranked as per the Inter Hose Tournament Rules and Regulations.

## 14. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- 14.1 In recognition of a student's sporting achievements outside the purview of SLSM, a student who has taken part in a sport/game not included in clause 5.1 or an athletic event not conducted by SLSM, but in a competitive tournament/s similar to a standard inter school tournament of SLSM or a Sri Lanka national standard tournament organized by a legitimate national/international body and has achieved an equivalent of SLSM Gold Medal award, then with the prior written recommendation of the Sports Department and approval of the Principal, that student may be considered for awarding of the same medal/plaque received at the tournament along with a certificate by SLSM at the Colors Awarding Ceremony.
- 14.2 For a consideration of special recognition, parents/Coaches of such sport/game shall make written appeal to the principal giving all the details inclusive of the copies of legitimacy of the Organization/Tournament and certificates awarded, two months prior to the Colors Awarding Ceremony as specified in the school Calendar.
- 14.3 The Panel of Selection shall assess the achievements in comparison with standards under which the respective game played and shall make recommendations along with the other Color nominees list to the principal for his approval.

## 15. ORYX AWARD

- 15.1 The Oryx is the highest sports award offered to a student in SLSM.
- 15.2 The Oryx is awarded only for performance in sports/games in clause 5.1.
- 15.3 The most outstanding sportsperson/s of the year shall be awarded the "SLSM Oryx Award".

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- 15.4 The Oryx is offered to a student only once in his/her school career.
- 15.5 The Oryx can be awarded in a particular year to more than one student or none.
- 15.6 The Oryx shall be awarded only to senior sportspersons (over 16 years of age).
- 15.7 A sportsperson who fulfills any of the below requirements shall be eligible for the Oryx Award.
- 15.7.1 A sportsperson who has participated with prior written approval of the principal with the recommendation of Sports Department in a sport/ game in clause 5.1, at national or international level, representing the official National Team of the Sultanate of Oman or his/her motherland.  
(Note: If any student qualified for this category when he / she below under 16, he / she shall receive the Oryx award in his / her final year in school. The student is expected to notify this achievement to the Sports department in advance.)
- 15.7.2 A sportsperson who achieved three Junior/ Senior Colors in at least two different sports/games within three consecutive years including the year of award, shall be eligible for the Oryx Award subject to Clause 6.8. It shall be compulsory to achieve at least one Senior Colors award within these criteria.
- 15.7.3 An athlete who has established three new records in an over 15 age group at the Inter House Athletic Meet (Track Events / Field Events / Road Race) in the awarding year.
- 15.7.4 An athlete secured the First Place (Winner) at Inter-International Schools' Athletics Competition (ISAC), Junior/ Senior National Championships (e.g. Sir John Tarbet Championship, Relay Carnival organized by the Sri Lankan Schools Athletics Association or similar National Athletics Competitions in any country) with the prior written approval of the principal.
- 15.8 Refer Clause 19. Withdrawal/Temporary suspension of Oryx Award.
- 15.9 Application or non-application of Clause 15.8 shall be evaluated by SMT, and recommendations shall be provided for BOD approval.

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## 16. PANEL OF SELECTION AND RECOMMENDATION PROCEDURE

- 16.1 The Panel of Selection consists of the Deputy Principal, Head of Academics, Head of the Sports Department, Teachers in Charge of sports, and the Head coaches of the sports/games.
- 16.2 The Panel of Selection shall recommend the recipients of Colors and the SLSM Oryx Award to the Principal, who shall submit the same to SMT to study and make recommendations. The Panel of Selection shall also evaluate any applications for Special Recognition certificates.
- 16.3 The SMT shall scrutinize the list, call for further clarifications if necessary, and make recommendations to the BOD through the Principal for ratification.

## 17. ANNOUNCING COLOR RECIPIENTS

- 17.1 Once the BOD ratifies the list of Color recipients recommended through the principal, parents and the students shall be informed by a notice on SLSM notice board clearly identifying the students who are 'Eligible for Colors as per clause 3.7.'
- 17.2 A formal communication shall be sent to Parents stating that the Colors list is published on the SLSM notice board.
- 17.3 Announcements of Color recipients shall be made minimum two weeks prior to the event.

## 18. APPEALS

- 18.1 Any appeal against the selection shall be addressed to the principal in writing, within 10 calendar days of the announcement of the Colors recipients.
- 18.2 Upon receipt of an appeal, Principal shall refer the case to the Panel of Selection and SMT, to make a joint recommendation.
  - 18.2.1 If an amendment to the selections is deemed necessary, Principal shall seek BOD approval for the change.

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18.2.2 If there is no justifiable reason for any change, with the consent of the BOD, the Principal shall inform the school's decision to the concerned parents.

## **19. WITHDRAWAL/TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF COLORS/ORYX AWARDS**

- 19.1 Any student who has breached discipline (Level 4) as per SLSM's Discipline Policy or brought disrepute to SLSM shall not be eligible for Colors.
- 19.2 SLSM reserves the right to withdraw Colors, Oryx and any other awards awarded, on disciplinary grounds. It is mandatory to see formally recorded/ documented disciplinary action against the student. The principal shall recommend such cases to the BOD with a full report for approval, prior to taking any decision.
- 19.3 If any student, whose name has been included in the Colors/Oryx recipient list, is reported to have involved in disciplinary breach, and if there is no sufficient time to conclude investigations, Principal shall recommend to BOD of Temporary suspension of award of Colors/Oryx to the student, until the matter is investigated, and decisions made. If the student is cleared of charges, the suspension will be lifted, and relevant Colors/Oryx shall be awarded at a suitable forum as decided by the school.
- 19.4 It is mandatory to ensure that formally recorded/ documented and proven disciplinary action exists against the student. (Effective duration is from the previous Colors award day to the Colors award day under consideration).

## **20. STUDENTS WHO HAVE LEFT SLSM**

- 20.1 A student who has achieved the required criteria for the award of Colors/ Oryx, is entitled for same irrespective of whether the student is currently enrolled in SLSM or not, by the time the Colors Award Ceremony is conducted.
- 20.2 The student or a family member may be invited to receive the colors award during the Colors Award Ceremony.
- 20.3 The dress of the receiver shall be formal attire.

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## 21. VALIDATION OF THE POLICY

- 21.1 This Policy shall be considered as the overall guide for Awarding School Colors/Oryx.
- 21.2 Selection criteria for awarding colors are considered on the stated benchmarks based on the current levels/standards of game/event. The Policy revisions should be considered depending on the proposals for changes in the standards/guidelines of game/event.
- 21.3 This policy document shall be made effective from the 2023/24 Academic year.
- 21.4 The Policy is to be reviewed based on the requirements and proposed amendments.
  - 21.4.1 If changes were made to most of the document, it would be published as a new issue.
  - 21.4.2 If minor changes were made to a part of the document, it shall be published as a new revision under the same issue.
  - 21.4.3 Summary of the changes made shall be mentioned under the section "Issue/Revision History".
- 21.5 Approved copy of the updated policy shall be published on the school website.

*Janice*