

BAY OF PLENTY SECONDARY SCHOOLS STANDINGS FOR 2019

		2018 RND 1	2018 RND 2	2019 RND 1
Chiefs Cup & Trophy Super 8	1	RBHS 1st XV	RBHS 1st XV	RBHS 1st XV
	2	TBC 1st XV	TBC 1st XV	TBC 1st XV
		John Paul College Taupo Nui a Tia	Rotorua Boys 2nd XV	
Division 1	1	Rotorua Boys 2nd XV	John Paul College	Rotorua Boys 2nd XV
	2	Trident High School	Te Whare Kura o Mauao	John Paul College
	3	Western Heights	Te Puke High School	Te Whare Kura o Mauao
	4	Te Whare Kura o Mauao	Trident High School	Te Puke High School
	5	Aquinas College	Western Heights	Trident High School
	6	Tauranga Boys 2nd XV	Rotorua Boys Baba's	Western Heights
	7		Aquinas College	Rotorua Boys Baba's
	8		Taupo Nui a Tia	Winner of Rnd 1 Div Two Tauhara College
Division 2	1	Te Puke High School	Tauhara College	Aquinas College
	2	Opotiki College	Katikati College	Taupo Nui a Tia College
	3	Bethlehem College Approved Relegation	Opotiki College	Relegated Rnd 1 2018 Tauranga Boys 2nd XV
	4	Tauhara College	Tauranga Boys III	Katikati College
	5	Otumoetai College	Otumoetai College	Opotiki College
	6	Tauranga Boys III	Papamoa College	Tauranga Boys III
	7	Papamoa College	Whakatane High School	Otumoetai College
	8	Whakatane High School		Papamoa College
Division 3	1	Rotorua Boys 3rd XV	Rotorua Boys U15 Elite	Rotorua Boys U15 Elite
	2	Rotorua Boys U15 Elite	Trident 2nd XV	Whakatane High 1st XV
	3	Mt Maunganui College	Mt Maunganui 1st XV	Trident 2nd XV
	4	Tarawera High School	Tauranga Boys 5th XV	Mt Maunganui 1st XV
	5	Rotorua Lakes High	Bethlehem College 1st XV	Tauranga Boys 5th XV
	6	Katikati College	Reporoa 2nd XV	Bethlehem College 1st XV
	7		Te Puke 2nd XV	Reporoa 2nd Xv
	8		Tauranga Boys U16	Te Puke 2nd XV
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		2017 RND 2	2018 RND 1	2019 RND 1
Girls Division 1	1	Tauranga Girls	Tauranga Girls	Rotorua Girls
	2	Rotorua Girls	Rotorua Girls	Tauranga Girls
	3	Te Whare Kura O Mauao	Te Whare Kura o Mauao	Te Puke High School
	4	Taupo Nui a Tia	Taupo Nui a Tia	Taupo Nui a Tia
	5	Opotiki College	Opotiki College	Opotiki College
	6	Whakatane High School	Te Puke High School	Lytton High ** Gisborne

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U16 BOYS	15 BOYS	U14 BOYS	GIRLS DEVELOPMENT
One Division Only Max 8 teams	Premier	Premier	One Division Only
Tauranga Boys 1	Tauranga Boys Blue	Tauranga Boys White	Whakatane High
Tauranga Boys 2	Taupo Nui a Tia	Rotorua Boys Red	Rotorua Lakes
	Te Whare Kura O Mauao	Trident	Te Whare Kura o Mauao
	Tauranga Boys White	Tauranga Boys Blue	Rotorua Girls High
	Western Heights	Rotorua Boys Navy	Otumoetai College
	Rotorua Boys B	BC/Otumoetai Babas	Mount College
		Tauranga Boys Gold	
	Championship	Championship	
	Mt Maunganui	Opotiki College	
	Trident High School	Mount College	
	Rotorua Boys C	Te Puke High	
	John Paul College	Aquinas College	
	Otumoetai College	Western Heights High	
	Tauhara College		
		Divisional	
		Marist Combined	
	Divisional	Paroa Combined	
	Whakatane High	Taupo Combined	
	Tauranga Boys Gold	Reporoa Combined	
	Papamoa College	Tauranga Boys Stripes	

COMPETITION FORMAT FOR 2019 & KEY CHANGES

Our Primary focus this year is to implement changes as received from schools regarding our programs. I trust this goes some way to living our vision of creating a lifelong love of the game for our youth. Over all we will provide 11 weeks of opportunity for teenagers to engage in our game. This is equal to what we provided in 2018 for most divisions.

Below are the key differences being implemented for 2019:

1. There will be **NO CHIEFS TROPHY.** All teams will remain in the local competition.
2. Only 1st XV Division One will play Queens Birthday weekend.
3. No Games will be scheduled for the last week of term two.
4. Division one 1st XV Boys and Girls will play finals on Aug 17th as possible curtain raisers to the Steamers before playing in the National Top 4 on Aug 24th.
5. Only Bay of Plenty schools will be able to progress into the national top 4 1st XV competition all qualifying teams must comply with NZSSC eligibility criteria.
6. Formally combine the 3rd Division 1st XV with the 2nd XV Division to play as Division 3 1st XV. The logic with this is that 2nd XV will not need to comply with the half game rule.
7. Introduce an U16 Boys Grade as a stepping stone into 1st XV rugby. Feedback has highlighted that younger players are turned away from having to play in the 1st XV or in a 2nd XV playing other schools 1st XV. There would be no dispensations down into this grade. Schools would have the opportunity to field teams in U16 or U15 if unable to submit two teams. There would only be the one grade in this division.

We are would expect that this would provide more flexibility for the younger year 11 to remain in rugby and for schools to submit teams better aligned with their player base and demographics.

All domestic and handbook rules would apply including the half game rule.

8. Introduce a Wednesday or Friday U14 & U15 Boys divisional grade. This grade is purely focused on participation and would operate under the following modified rules:
 - i. Teams are restricted to ONE practice session per week
 - ii. Teams have support of school principal to play alternating Wednesday & Friday leaving after lunch home and away for an 8 week competition window. (Reducing time lost from one curriculum time slot. Home games would see no loss of school time)
 - iii. Rolling subs permitted but all players must get on the field. Any coach/school breaching this may be removed from the competition.
 - iv. No finals day or points tables results will be posted on line.
 - v. Games may play with no front row or reduced numbers if a team cannot field a full 15. Limit pushing to .5 of a metre
9. College Sevens for our U14 Boys and U15 Development boys & Girls will now be played on September 25th with a venue to be confirmed. The open boys and girls U15 an U19 grades will be held in November. The logic for this is to avoid end of year code clashes for juniors but allowing those U15 teams preparing for condors to have a quality competition in their lead up to nationals

BOYS ROUND ONE & TWO

This will be a 4 week round robin comprising of grading for all teams below the three 1st XV Divisions. The 1st XV divisions will play for trophies and positions in the championship round.

1st XV Division One

Round one Starts May 4th End May 25th with finals day at Western Heights College.

Round two Starts June 1st (Queens Birthday) with a combined finals day on Saturday 17th August as possible curtain raiser to Mitre 10 Cup.

No games to be played on July 6th (end of term two)

National top four semi-finals to be played on August 24th.

Rotorua Boys 2nd XV will re-join this division for round 1 as per our handbook rules.

8 team competition as per the above table split into two pools based on ranking. Round one will contest the Dick Littlejohn Trophy with relegation for the 8th placed team. It will be 3 pool games and a straight cross over final to be played at Western Heights on May 25th. As Rotorua Boys 2nd XV will leave for Super 8 rugby there may be no relegation in 2019 depending on where Rotorua Boys 2nd XV finish in the competition.

1st XV Division Two

Round one Starts May 4th End May 25th with finals day at Western Heights College.

Round two Starts June 8th (No Games Queens Birthday) with a combined finals day on Saturday 24th August as possible curtain raiser to Mitre10 Cup.

No games to be played on July 6th (end of term two)

8 team competition as per the above table split into two pools based on ranking. Round one will contest the first round Trophy with relegation for the 8th placed team and promotion for the 1st placed team into Division One for round two. . It will be 3 pool games and a straight cross over final to be played at Western Heights on May 25th. Tauranga Boys will leave for super 8 rugby there may be no relegation in 2019 depending on where Tauranga Boys 2nd XV finish in the competition.

1st XV Division Three

Round one starts May 4th End May 25th with finals day at Western Heights College.

Round two Starts June 8th (No Games Queens Birthday) with a combined finals day on Saturday 24th August as possible curtain raiser to Mitre10 Cup

No games to be played on July 6th (end of term two)

8 team competition as per the above table split into two pools based on ranking. Round one will contest the first round Trophy there will be promotion but no relegation for the 8th placed team. Schools 2nd XV need not be promoted nor is the hosting of opposition teams required in this division.

All Other Grades

Round one Starts May 4th End May (Grading rounds)

Round two starts June 8th (No Games Queens Birthday), with a combined finals day on Saturday 24th August as possible curtain raiser to Mitre10 Cup for the premier grades only. Championship and divisional grades DO NOT HAVE A FINALS FORMAT

No games to be played on July 6th (end of term two)

A four week grading round based on the above table will be played with cross over games against the teams in the Championship division.

No Trophies are played for in this round.

No Games will be played on Queens Birthday Weekend

Girls Rugby

Premier 1st XV

Round 1 Starts May 6th End June 10th

Round 2 Starts June 17 Ends August 5th

No games played June 3rd (Queens Birthday) or the first week of term 3 (21st July)

Combined finals day on Saturday 17th August as possible curtain raiser to Mitre10 Cup

6 team premier competition home and away with an opening day carnival with all teams at Rugby Park Whakatane on Wednesday 8th May ending with a combined finals day on Saturday 17th August as possible curtain raiser to Mitre10 Cup

Investigate opportunity to play in an integrated BOP top 2 / Waikato top 3 competition after round one.

Girls Development:

Round 1 Starts May 6th End June 10th

Round 2 Starts June 17 Ends August 5th

No games played June 3rd (Queens Birthday) or the first week of term 3 (21st July)

Week 1 and 3 are skill focused for the development grade (linked with intermediates girls 10 aside days at a central location Blake Park Other sub unions to be confirmed)

Week 4 home and away at school grounds, week 5 is centralised at Paengaroa. The grading Round identifies top 3 Development teams.

In Round 2, we have the bottom 3 of premier grade play some games with the top 3 of Dev

All teams play home and away and play on Wednesday & Monday early evenings (E.g. 5.00pm if required under lights)