



## **New candidates for Water Polo Victoria Academy of Excellence (Not applicable to existing WPVAE Athletes)**

Water Polo Victoria is seeking expressions of interest for the Water Polo Victoria Academy of Excellence ("WPVAE"). Open to athletes born 2005 to 1998 who aspire to play water polo at the highest level.

**Location:** Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre (MSAC)

**Program:** 36 weeks in accordance with school calendar. Six month scholarship with review to be renewed, including term appraisals.

### **Training Times:**

Gold Athletes (Tier 1)

- Monday 5:15am – 7:00am
- Wednesday 5:15am – 7:00am
- Friday 5:45 – 7:00am

Silver Athletes (Tier 2)

- Monday 5:15am – 7:00am
- Wednesday 5:15am – 7:00am

**Cost:** \$250.00 for term one 2018 (9 weeks) for successful scholarship holders.

Additional compulsory uniform costs will apply.

**Maximum squad number:** 18 athletes (combination of Gold and Silver).

**Selection:** Trials will occur over 2 weeks - Monday 29 January and Wednesday 31 January & Monday 5 February and 7 February. Notification of successful athletes will be emailed directly by close business on Friday 9 February and uploaded on the WPV website on Monday 12 February.

Award Winning Edge Athletes (AWE) and Water Polo Australia (WPA) National Age Squad Athletes will be given first preference.

### **Requirements:**

- Currently competing in the highest level for their age group in Victorian State competitions
- Competed in either the 2017 East Coast Challenge, or 2017 National Club Championships
- Must attend 80% of all training sessions
- Must agree to sign and adhere to athlete code of conduct

### **Submit expressions of interest to:**

[marnij@vicwaterpolo.com.au](mailto:marnij@vicwaterpolo.com.au) by Friday 26 January Close of Business. Please include date of birth, water polo club, contact number and email address in the expression of interest.