

Media Release

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HELPING BUSY FAMILIES COVER THE COSTS OF KIDS SPORT

The Allan Labor Government is helping busy families with the cost of living and making sure more kids get the opportunity to play the sport they love, with another round of \$200 sport vouchers on offer.

Premier Jacinta Allan and Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence today announced the next round of the *Get Active Kids Voucher Program* is opening this week – helping eligible families cover the costs of sports memberships, registration fees, uniforms and equipment.

The *Victorian Budget 2024/25* invested \$6 million to extend the program and encourage more Victorian kids to join a local sports club or try a new activity.

Eligible families who hold health care cards or other concession cards can apply for vouchers of up to \$200 per child.

Almost 150,000 vouchers have already been provided to families since the program launched in 2020 – with thousands more to come from this upcoming round. More than half of the families say their kids would not have been able to participate in sports without the voucher.

From soccer to dance, there are more than 70 sports and more than 2,000 activity providers included in the program across the state, meaning kids across Victoria have the chance to take part in the sport and activities they love.

Families can apply for the vouchers online before redeeming them at an activity provider like a local sporting club.

The program is open to kids aged up to 18 who are named on a Commonwealth Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, and named on a Medicare Card.

A special consideration stream is also available to support children in care, temporary or provisional visa holders, migrants and international students.

For more information and to apply for a voucher visit getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers.

Quotes attributable to Premier Jacinta Allan

“We’re helping busy families by making sure every child can get active this summer – whether they like basketball or ballet, every kid deserves to have a go at the sport they love.”

Quotes attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

“We’ve seen almost 150,000 vouchers given to families through the program – these vouchers are a win for healthy habits, a win for communities, and a win for the huge number of kids who would otherwise not be able to participate.”

Quote attributable to Member for Sunbury Josh Bull

“This program is fantastic for families in Sunbury – helping thousands of kids to play the sports they love and get active this summer.”

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