

Years 5 - 12 (2026) AFL Trial Schedule: *(Nov 7 version)*

Teams will be finalised on Student Café and Parent Lounge by **Tuesday afternoon of Week 6 (11 November)**, ahead of **external trials in Week 6 vs Iona College**. In Week 6, **Years 9 and 10 will play at Coorparoo** on Saturday, while **Open teams will play at Iona on Friday** and all **other teams will also play at Iona on Saturday**.

For training and games, players must bring **boots, mouthguard and water bottle**. Footballs and guernseys will be provided.

Students not selected are encouraged to join **Cricket**. Please see **Mr Nathan Dufty** in the Sports Office during **Weeks 6 to 7** to be included in 2026 Cricket.

For training and games, players must bring **boots, mouthguard and water bottle**. Footballs and guernseys will be provided.

**** Please note – All trials are by 2026 year levels (e.g. current Year 5 students trial with Year 6 2026 group on Thursday, 30 October)**

Years 6 - 12 (2026) AFL Training and Game Schedule: *Weeks 6 and 7 of Term 4, 2025*

Internal training will be conducted from Monday to Thursday at Coorparoo AFL Club. Each group will have only one training session per week, except for Year 10 and Opens, who will train twice. Year 5 students will train once, on Wednesday 12th November.

Weekend trials - game details to be published on The Locker Room by the Tuesday of Trial week.

- **Note:** Guernseys will be provided for weekend trials.
- **Week 6: All Villanova AFL Teams:** Friday, November 14 (Opens Teams) and Saturday, November 15 (Years 5 to 10) against Iona College, with the draw released by the Tuesday of Week 6.
- **Week 7: Villanova Years 8A, 9A, 10A and Firsts AFL Squads only:** Friday, November 21 (Opens Teams) and Saturday, November 22 (8A, 9A, 10A teams only) against St Laurence's College, with the draw released by the Tuesday of Week 7.

WEEK 6	Monday 10th November	Tuesday 11th November	Wednesday 12th November	Thursday 13th November
6:15am – 7.45am	AFL N/A	AFL N/A	AFL Year 5 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo – one-off training session before matches at Iona College, on Saturday, Nov 15	AFL N/A
3.30pm – 5.00pm	AFL Firsts and Year 10 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo	AFL Years 7 and 8 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo	AFL Firsts and Year 10 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo	AFL Years 6 and 9 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo

WEEK 7	Monday 17 th November	Tuesday 18 th November	Wednesday 19 th November	Thursday 20 th November
6:15am – 7.45am	AFL N/A	AFL N/A	AFL N/A: No Year 5 training	AFL N/A
3.30pm – 5.00pm	AFL Firsts and Year 10 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo	AFL Years 7 and 8 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo	AFL Firsts and Year 10 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo	AFL Years 6 and 9 (2026) at Coorparoo AFL - Birubi St, Coorparoo

Timetable and Expectations for Bus Travel

- **Morning sessions:** private transport to Coorparoo AFL at Birubi St Coorparoo, with a bus return to Villanova.
- **Afternoon sessions:** bus from Villanova to Coorparoo AFL at Birubi St Coorparoo with private transport home. Please collect students at 5:00pm.

As our teams continue training and travelling across venues this term, we ask all families and students to please support the following expectations when travelling on College buses. These routines help ensure everyone arrives safely, represents Villanova proudly and maintains a respectful environment for all.

Student Expectations:

- Arrive on time and board promptly
- Wear seatbelts for the duration of the journey
- Remain seated throughout the trip
- Use respectful language and behaviour at all times
- Phones may be used for music with headphones only
- No food or drink on the bus
- Collect all items at the end of the trip and leave the bus clean

Leadership and Responsibility:

Older students are encouraged to lead by example and support younger players in upholding these standards.

Safety and Courtesy:

Students must follow directions from bus supervisors and drivers. Any concerns or unsafe behaviour are to be addressed promptly with families. Thank you for your support in helping our boys travel safely and uphold the values of Villanova College in every environment.

After perusing this communication, if you still have any queries, please feel free to contact AFL Coordinator Mr Tim Joseph or Years 5-8 Coordinator Mr Hershelle Classen.