



Athletics Victoria

Season 2017/18

AV Target Talent Program

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Athletics Victoria's Vision:

To provide leading opportunities in athletics to all Victorians.

Athletics Victoria's Mission:

For athletics to be the premier recreational and competitive participation sport in Victoria.

Athletics Victoria Target Talent Program (AVTP) Overview

The Athletics Victoria Target Talent Program (AVTP) is a high performance pathway program funded and regulated in partnership with Athletics Australia. It is strongly aligned with activities of the Athletics Australia High Performance Department and has been established to:

- Act as the early talent identification component of Athletics Australia's AIS Winning Edge Strategy;
- Encourage the best young athletes in the State by inviting them to be part of a State level squad and participate in development opportunities;
- Encourage and develop the best local coaches through recognising them as State Coaches;
- Create meaningful contact in the off-season between State Coaches and the best young athletes in the State and their personal coaches;
- Create a National pool of identified coaches in each event group (i.e. State Coaches for Sprints & Hurdles, Endurance & Walks, Jumps, and Throws) who model best practice at the local level
- By identifying and engaging Victoria's best junior athletes and coaches through development education opportunities, the AVTP aims to encourage them to achieve their potential and go on to represent Australia at youth, junior and senior levels

The 2017/18 AVTP will focus on athletes born in 2000, 2001 or 2002. *(Athletes who fall outside of this date range may also be considered)*

Up to 10 State AVTP event group Coaches may be appointed and will act as points of contact for AVTP squad athletes and their personal coaches.

AVTP Squad Days will incorporate a combination of relevant event group training clinics and both general and event-specific education workshops. Wherever possible, education workshops will also target personal coaches and athlete parents. Australia's elite athletes past and present will also be engaged for both training and education sessions wherever possible.

Athlete Inclusion Criteria

Squad Period

The 2017/18 AVTTP Squad will run from 1 May 2017 – 30 April 2018.

Eligibility

To be eligible for inclusion athletes must;

- Be a current registered member of Athletics Victoria;
- Be born in 2000, 2001 or 2002;
- Be in good standing with their Club and AV, comply with [AV's Code of Conduct](#), and conduct themselves in a way that does not bring themselves, their sport or AV into disrepute;
- Have a personal coach who will attend the AVTTP Squad Days and submit an annual training plan if requested

Criteria – Able Body

To be eligible for inclusion athletes must;

- Be National Champion from the 2017 National Junior Championships in the U16 – U18 age groups; OR
- Have achieved the 2017 AVTTP Squad entry standard during the 2017 National Junior Championships or 2016 National All School Championships (see below)

Current members of Athletics Australia's National U17 or U19 Development Squads OR a member of an Australian International representative team in 2017 will also be invited to attend AVTTP squad sessions.

Criteria – Para

To be eligible for inclusion athletes must;

- Achieve a top 4 result at the 2017 National Junior Championships in the U16 – U20 age groups in an event that will feature at the 2017 World Para Athletics Championships

Notes

- AV may also invite additional athletes and their personal coaches, who may fall outside the eligibility criteria above and with advice from Athletics Australia National Youth Event Coaches, and/or the Athletics Australia High Performance Department;
- Age will be calculated as at 31 December 2017. Age groups are outlined below accordingly;
 - Under 16 athletes must not have their Sixteenth birthday on or before 31st December 2017 and must be born in 2002
 - Under 18 athletes must not have their Eighteenth birthday on or before 31 December 2017 and must be born in 2000 or 2001

AVTTP Event Coaches

Where appropriate, Athletics Victoria will look to appoint a State TTP Coach for each of the following event groups (pending athlete numbers):

- Sprints
- Hurdles
- Horizontal Jumps
- Vertical Jumps
- Combined Events
- Throws
- Middle Distance
- Long Distance
- Walks

AV may appoint up to ten (10) State TTP Coaches based on the needs of the AVTTP group and coaching expertise in the State. Coaches must be AA Accredited Coaches.

Role of the State TTP Coaches

Each State TTP Coach will be responsible for:

- Contributing ideas to the planning of AVTTP squad days;
- Providing coaching input at AVTTP Squad Days;
- Attending the AV State Championship events;
- Attending one relevant National Championship event;
- Maintaining regular contact and communication with athletes and their coaches within their event group;
- Providing a quarterly report to Athletics Victoria and Athletics Australia High Performance Department regarding AVTTP Squad Athletes in their event group. The key areas to be included in the update are training and competition status, personal coach name and contact details, and any relevant issues.

Incentives for AVTTP Coaches

Each appointed AVTTP Coach will be provided with a set remuneration, paid half yearly, and will be eligible to access funding for Professional Development activities.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a State TTP Coach position, coaches must:

- Be currently registered as an Athletics Australia Accredited Athletics Coach;
- Hold a minimum of Level 3 Event Group Specific Accreditation (or be in the process of achieving);
- Possess a current First Aid Certificate (including CPR);
- Possess a current Working With Children Check;

Selection Process

A call for applications for AVTTP Event Coach positions will be made via the Athletics Victoria website and will include application instructions, when position(s) become available.

Appendix 1 - Athletics Victoria Target Talent Program Performance Matrix Standards - Able Body

MEN																			
	100m	200m	400m	800m	1500m	5000m	110mH	400mH	3000S	HJ	PV	LJ	TJ	Shot	Disc	Ham	Jav	10,000W	Comb Event
U20 / 1999 Born	10.68	21.945	48.08	01:52.5	03:54.4	15:01.7	14.34	54.35	09:42.7	2.04	4.59	7.26	14.75	16.15	50.24	61.56	63.39	45:54.6	6231
						3000m			2000S									5000W	
U18 / 2000 Born	10.94	22.03	48.71	01:54.2	03:57.0	08:47.0	14.30	54.23	06:13.3	1.99	3.96	6.97	14.04	16.46	50.66	57.33	63.54	24:14.9	5992
U17 / 2001 Born	11.18	22.40	50.09	01:56.6	04:03.3	08:51.0	14.83	56.13	06:17.3	1.96	3.81	6.67	13.48	15.32	47.35	51.59	55.76	24:35.2	5730
							100mH	200mH										3000W	
U16 / 2002 Born	11.49	22.77	51.19	02:00.1	04:11.6	09:01.7	13.60	26.69	06:21.4	1.87	3.47	6.36	13.13	15.78	46.93	49.38	51.40	14:31.7	3993
WOMEN																			
	100m	200m	400m	800m	1500m	5000m	100mH	400mH	3000S	HJ	PV	LJ	TJ	Shot	Disc	Ham	Jav	10,000W	Comb Event
U20 / 1999 Born	12.05	24.69	56.16	02:09.8	04:30.1	16:21.3	14.35	62.04	11:11.0	1.76	3.71	5.79	12.09	13.16	47.17	50.90	41.98	51:20.3	4654
						3000m			2000S									5000W	
U18 / 2000 Born	12.22	24.93	56.69	02:12.0	04:31.8	10:03.0	14.12	62.80	07:10.5	1.73	3.34	5.66	12.05	13.59	43.45	50.30	40.97	25:31.5	4663
U17 / 2001 Born	12.34	25.05	56.75	02:12.1	04:33.8	10:11.7	14.38	64.36	07:13.9	1.70	3.24	5.57	11.78	12.87	39.89	45.81	40.82	25:44.6	4401
							90mH	200mH										3000W	
U16 / 2002 Born	12.47	25.1	57.03	02:13.2	04:36.6	10:12.3	13.17	29.42	07:18.3	1.68	3.10	5.48	11.52	12.54	38.96	41.88	39.81	14:56.1	4403