



FEDERATION RWANDAISE DU SPORT SCOLAIRE

1. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

In Rwanda, the word school sports came along with the education of missionaries where sports was practiced at school. In 70's, it is when the schools owned by Catholic Church started a kind of competition among students of those schools, they used to be grouped at one school and compete for 2 days (week end) and the competition ends. In 80's the school sports competition started to become some how formal through the called by then "Arrondissement scolaire " under the Ministry of Education (MINEPRISEC).

In 1995, After Genocide perpetrated against Tutsi in 1994, the school sports competition started with only four discipline in both sex namely: FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL and ATHLETICS, the management was based in the Ministry of Youth and Sports.

School sports activities were also introduced for the following objectives:

- Eradication of the racism among children
- Removing barriers to move across the country (eradicate regionalism)
- Channel for unity and reconciliation
- A way of psychotherapy to children

In 2002, the province and district school leaders gathered together and establish an organisation to daily manage the school sports competition and named" Federation Rwandaise du Sport Scolaire/Rwanda School Sports Federation"

In 2005, the division of school sports was shifted to the Ministry of Education.

Since then the management of school sports competition was entrusted to Rwanda School Sports Federation.



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1.1. Organization structure of school sports competition.

Sector level : Competition among schools in the same sector

District level : Competition among Qualified schools at Sector level

League level : Competition among Qualified Schools at District level

National Level : Competition among Qualified schools at League Level

International Level : Competition among school Champions of the Country

2. MISSION

Promotion of sports practice, leisure and cultural activities in primary and secondary schools of the country by making sensitive students and teachers to have healthy life in respect of Rwandan culture values.

3. ACTIVITIES

- ▶ To promote, control and organize sports practice, leisure and culture activities in primary and secondary schools of the country in respect of sport, leisure and culture legislation in Rwanda.
- ▶ To maintain a close contact and collaborate with similar national and international federations.
- ▶ To organize managerial staff's training and seminars in order to develop the school sports, leisure and culture.
- ▶ To help members to promote the student and teacher's physical and mental peak in promoting sports, leisure and culture, at the same time, to reinforce the bond of friendship and solidarity between members of the Federation.



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► To organize competitions between the associations' members of the federation, as well as other national and international organizations.

Mainly the FRSS is mandated of the implementation of school sports policy of the Ministry of Education.

OBJECTIVES:

- Get children active and healthier;
- Increase confidence and self-esteem;
- Develop skills for life, learning or work;
- Tackle isolation;
- Reduce crime and antisocial behaviour; and
- Engage hard to reach groups.

All to contribute to Quality of Education

4. PILLARS

4.1. Operational Structure

- ✓ On the Top Rwanda School sports Federation General Assembly is composed of school sports Association (30).
- ✓ Rwanda School sports Federation has the Executive Committee headed by the President.
- ✓ FRSS has six (6) regions composed of School sports Association
- ✓ FRSS has 30 school sports Associations which are also members
- ✓ FRSS has Permanent Secretariat (Executive Secretary and two workers), who help the FRSS to manage the daily Federation activities



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FEDERATION					
LEAGUE C1	LEAGUE C2	LEAGUE SOUTH	LEAGUE NORTH	LEAGUE EAST	LEAGUE WEST
5 DISTRICTS:	4 DISTRICTS:	6 DISTRICTS:	4 DISTRICTS:	6 DISTRICTS:	5 DISTRICTS:
Nyarugenge Gasabo Kicukiro Bugesera Gcumbi	Kamonyi Muhanga Ruhango Nyanza	Gisagara Huye Nyaruguru Nyamagabe Rusizi Nyamasheke	Rulindo Gakenke Musanze Burera	Rwamagana Kayonza Gatsibo Nyagatare Ngoma Kirehe	Karongi Ngororero Nyabihu Rubavu Rutsiro
TOTAL: 30 A.S.S					
PRIMARY SCHOOLS: 2,909					
SECONDARY SCHOOLS: 1,728					
TOTAL NUMBER OF SCHOOLS: 4,637					

Physical Address: KG 7 Ave, Kigali/ MINEDUC Building

Permanent Secretariat: 3 Permanent Staff



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4.2 Promotion of mass sports in schools

Following the resolutions of general assembly of 2014, in which the mass sports was adopted in order to promote the quality of education generally and more specifically to:

- Promote physical fitness of the students;
- Narture the mental peak on the sports practice;
- Look after welfare of the students;
- Fight against Non Communicable Disease.

The mass sports is practiced as follows:

At A.S.S level they organize mass sports each first and third Saturday of the month,

At School level the mass sports is practiced every weekend.

4.3 Organization of the Competition

All competitions are organized according to the structure of the Rwandan Federation of School Sport as follows:

Inter Classes at school level;

Interschools at Sector Level;

Intersectors at District Level;

Interdistricts at League Level;

Interleague at National Level.

Competitions are organized in the following categories:

- ✓ **U19:** Started in January and reach National Level (Finals) in June each year;
- ✓ **U 13:** Competitions organized up to District level in October each year;
- ✓ **U15:** Started in February and reach National level (Finals) in July each year



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- ✓ **U17:** Started in March and reach National level (Finals) in October each year
- ✓ **Culture competition:** Started in March and reach National level (Finals) in August each year

Competition among schools in East African Countries organized by Federation of East Africa Schools Association attended each year in August.

Those competitions are organized in 14 disciplines, such are:

1. Football: Girls & Boys
2. Basketball: Girls & Boys
3. Volleyball: Girls and Boys
4. Handball: Girls and Boys
5. Athletics: Girls and Boys
6. Badminton: Girls & Boys
7. Table Tennis: Girls and Boys
8. Lawn Tennis: Girls and Boys
9. Netball: Girls only
10. Rugby: Boys only
11. Swimming: Girls & Boys
12. Sitball: Girls & Boys



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13. Karate: Girls & Boys

14. Culture: Girls & Boys

4.4 Talent detection and development

Each year the FRSS organizes talent detection sessions (Selection camp) during the holidays, the best talented students are selected according to the respective discipline, such are: Football, Basketball, Handball, Volleyball and Athletics. The selected students are oriented in Schools chosen for talent development purpose (Centers of Excellence) now 18 in place.