

Public Schools Athletic League (PSAL) Teams Added For the 2018-2019 School Year - Report to City Council

The following report is provided pursuant to the Terms and Conditions of Council funding for FY19, which states:

In relation to the funding in units of appropriation 401, 403, and 453 for the Public School Athletic League (“PSAL”), the Department of Education (“DOE”) shall provide a report to the City Council, no later than April 1, 2019, listing each sports team which received funding for the 2018-2019 school year. Such list shall be disaggregated by 1) sport; 2) gender; 3) school name; 4) school DBN; 5) sport season; 6) league (i.e. PSAL, Small Schools Athletic League (“SSAL”), or transfer); and 7) amount of funding provided by PSAL for each team. Such report shall also include a list of all teams that were rejected by PSAL for formation in the 2018-2019 school year, disaggregated by 1) sport; 2) gender; 3) school name; 4) school DBN; 5) league; and 6) reason for denial. The report shall also include a breakdown of PSAL’s total funding (not including funding provided for teams) by PS and OTPS.

During the 2018-2019 school year, the PSAL added a number of new teams at schools with the greatest need. Thanks to the continued support of City Council, as well as limited available funds in PSAL’s budget, the Department of Education has nearly achieved parity between male and female sports opportunities and continues to address previously unmet demand for additional teams. This spring, PSAL launched the Public Schools Athletic League (PSAL) All-Access pilot, which aims to expand access to sports teams for high school students across New York City. The pilot added 19 teams to schools in Brooklyn, the Bronx, and Manhattan.

In accordance with the above, new team requests were approved when meeting one or a combination of these priorities:

- Compliance with Title IX requirements for equal sports opportunities between male and female students.
- Continuing to grow sports programs at underserved schools. Many of these schools are newer and have not had much opportunity to increase sports offerings. We have made great progress in recent years in this effort.
- Growing sports programs at schools with no teams or few teams relative to enrollment size.

Per the report requested above, the attached spreadsheet includes the following tabs:

- “Budget Summary” – general notes regarding PSAL funding in FY19 and summary of total allocations.
- “New Teams Summary” – summary tables of the new team detail found in the following tab.
- “Added 18-19” – lists all new teams added to PSAL’s various division during the current school year.
- “Denied Requests etc” – lists all requests for new teams that were denied for formation during the current school year.
- “All teams etc” – lists all active current PSAL teams, across all leagues, as of February 2019
- “FY19 PSAL Prog & DBN Crosswalk” – many schools participate in joint “campus” PSAL programs. This lists shows the schools associated with each program during the current school year.

The following tables summarize the teams newly added in the 18-19 school year:

| Gender | Teams |
|--------------|-----------|
| Boys | 17 |
| Girls | 46 |
| Co-ed | 0 |
| Total | 63 |

| League | Teams |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Multiple Pathways League | 5 |
| PSAL Varsity | 39 |
| New Pilot | 19 |
| Total | 63 |