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Dear secretary,

Re: Club – School Little Athletics Programme for Cork Clubs.

Following a successful pilot programme in 2012, Athletics Ireland and the Cork Sports Partnership have come together to bring a “Little Athletics” participation programme to Cork Clubs. The Programme will offer clubs the opportunity to create links with local schools and introduce local children to the Sport in a fun supportive manner.

This Little Athletics Programme is subsidised by Athletics Ireland and the Cork Sports Partnership. Places on this programme are limited and clubs will be accepted on the programme provided the club meets the programme criteria outlined below. I have enclosed the programme outline for your consideration and would like to offer your club the opportunity to participate in this programme.

The Criteria for the programme is as follows:

- Clubs must fully commit to the Programme.
- Clubs must be willing to contact and liaise with local schools
- Commit to supporting a Jamboree event for participants at the end of the programme.
- Where possible, create sustainable opportunities for participants to get involved with the club.

In return, successful Clubs will be rewarded with the following:

- Coaches/Volunteers will receive subsidised entry on the Little Athletics Coaching programme. (€20 per person)
- Resource pack to support delivery of the programme and Jamboree Event support.

Clubs will be accepted on the programme on a first come, first served basis. Failure to commit to the programme will affect future involvement in any Cork Sports Partnership and Athletics Ireland participation programmes.

What Clubs should get involved?

- Clubs interested in creating links with local schools
- Clubs that would like to increase children’s participation in Athletics.

Interest in the programme is high, so please register your clubs interest by completing the attached registration form ASAP to avoid disappointment. Where capacity has been reached for the programme, clubs will be placed on a waiting list for a future programme. **Please return all applications by Friday 29th of March 2013.**

All enquiries to Steven Macklin at stevenmacklin@Athleticsireland.ie

All registration forms should be returned to the Cork Sports Partnership, Yeats House, Barrack Square, Ballincollig, Co. Cork or emailed to mosullivan@corksports.ie

Yours sincerely,



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