



Lavington Elementary School

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December Newsletter

Covid-19 Vaccinations:

COVID-19 Vaccinations for Children 5 -11 years old – COVID-19 vaccination is now authorized by Health Canada for children five and older. Schools have been asked to share this information with our school communities.

Please see the attachment from the BCCDC.

At this time there is no plan to have the COVID-19 vaccines administered at elementary schools in our school district.

Winter Travel:

***Important Information Regarding Winter Travel:**

As part of the SD22 Communicable Disease Plan, **TRAVELLERS returning to Canada:** The federal government continues to outline requirements for people travelling internationally, including to the United States and Mexico:

- Students, staff and other adults who are not fully vaccinated and have travelled outside of Canada CANNOT attend school until a minimum 14 days after arrival, as part of [federal requirements](#).
- Fully vaccinated students, staff and other adults who have travelled outside of Canada may [qualify for the fully vaccinated traveller exemption](#).
- Follow COVID-19 [requirements for fully vaccinated travellers and unvaccinated children less than 12 years of age](#).

To view the entire updated SD22 CDP: https://sd22org-my.sharepoint.com/personal/sbowen_sd22_bc_ca/layouts/15/onedrive.aspx?id=%2Fpersonal%2Fsbowen%5Fsd22%5Fbc%5Fca%2FDocuments%2FDocuments%2FNov%2029%202021%20Communicable%20Disease%20Plan%2Epdf&parent=%2Fpersonal%2Fsbowen%5Fsd22%5Fbc%5Fa%2FDocuments%2FDocuments

P.A.C Fundraiser:

The P.A.C will continue to collect your donations until December 3rd. Raffle tickets will be sold before and after school from December 13th – 16th for \$1.00 per ticket. Pictures of the baskets will be provided once all donations have been collected.

Spirit Wear:

Our Spirit Wear order deadline is December 10th. The order will be sent that afternoon in hopes of a January return. Please see attachment.

BC Winter Games:

Lavington Elementary has been selected to be an accommodation and sport site for the BC Winter Games, which will take place here in Vernon between Feb 24th and 27th 2022.

SD#22 is a main partner of the games and will welcome approximately 1800 athletes, coaches, and officials both to our city, and to **nine** of our district school sites for an extended weekend of competition across a range of sports.

Athletes

- Emerging high-performance athletes
- Age range **9-18** years depending on the sport
- Average age of **14.5**
- Athletes with a disability included in select sports

Here at Lavington Elementary, we will be housing close to 80 guests. The people tasked with coordinating and implementing this task will need **many volunteers** to make it work.

Volunteers

Volunteers are the driving force and heart and soul of the BC Games. Each volunteer is committed to ensuring that the community comes together in a celebration of pride and that participants have an unforgettable experience. From meal preparation to transportation, to hospitality and sport competitions, the enthusiasm and expertise of volunteers is what makes it all happen.

Accommodation Directorate:

We are hoping that we can help the games be successful at the accommodation level, right here in our school, by attracting the number of volunteers needed for Lavington Elementary from our own school community.

Please check below for ways you and your family could help:

Accommodation-Dorm Management Volunteers are the **Accommodation Attendants** that will staff the dorm desk, check participants in, monitor accommodations processes, and provide information on the school layout to participants residing in the schools. Accommodation Attendants serve as the 'bellhops' of each accommodation site. Anyone like graveyard shifts? We need coverage 24/7!!

Accommodation-Hospitality Volunteers will serve as additional **Accommodation Attendants** during the evening, stationed in the hospitality or social spaces at each school to service the distribution of snacks and provision of minor games/activities throughout the evening.

Accommodation-Housekeeping Volunteers will support **Accommodations Attendants** with minor cleaning and sanitization rounds of high touch surfaces.

Accommodation-Site Preparation Volunteers will serve as the set-up (Wednesday evening) and take-down crew (Sunday afternoon/evening) used to convert schools to accommodations sites and return.

Accommodation-Hold Area Volunteers is a special shift of 8-12 **Accommodation Attendants** that will staff and service a holding area space at the Vernon Recreation Centre from approximately 12:00-6:00 PM (TBD) Sunday, February 27 to provide space and minor services for participants waiting for charter flights home.

All Accommodations volunteers require proof of vaccination expectations and Criminal Record Checks (except for site prep volunteers).

Click here to register online Register: bcgames.net

Select one of the respective volunteer areas above in the Volunteer Information-First Choice pull down area of the online registration. An Accommodation Volunteer Management Chair will contact you for additional screening and school or shift scheduling preference.

Volunteers can be scheduled to a **school site of their choice** based on request **after initial screening.** www.bcgames.org

Santa's Anonymous Society:

This year we are continuing to **support Santa's Anonymous Society.** We have a large barrel in front of the school office for donations of new or slightly used gifts and toys to support local families. **Deadline for all donations is December 13th.** Thank-you for helping our community in need!

Lavington Calendar: Upcoming Events

December 2nd: P.A.C Meeting @ 6:30

December 16th: Mid-Year Progress Reports go Live (access through MyEd)

December 17th: Last Day before Winter Break

January 4th: First Day back from Winter Break

Respectfully,

Nigel Maccagno