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BCSS Zone Realignment

Happy New Year!! At the BC School Sports Extraordinary Meeting on December 12^{th,} 2017 the motion to move from seven to nine zones starting in Fall 2019 was passed. The alignment of these nine zones has not yet been decided. An Ad-Hoc Committee has been formed to help determine the alignment of the new zones. The committee is made up of 20 representatives from the affected school districts and independent schools within those districts. A motion will be brought forward at the 2018 AGM in attempt to pass the new alignment as recommended by the committee. Please watch the BCSS website for further information about the zone realignment.

BCSS Welcomes Gerry Karvelis to the Board of Directors

Due to the vacancy on the BCSS Board of Directors, the BC School Sports Board of Directors as per the Bylaws are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Gerry Karvelis to the BCSS Board of Directors. Gerry is the Coordinator of Athletics for the North Shore Secondary Schools Athletic Association. As Coordinator of Athletics, he brings a valued sport perspective to board conversations as he works closely with our Commissions and Athletic Associations. As per the Bylaws, Gerry will serve his term until the May 2018 AGM, when the seat on the Board will be up for election.

We extend our warmest welcome to Gerry, and thank him for his continued contributions to BCSS.

2017-18 BCSS Scholarship Opportunities

BC School Sports is pleased to announce the renewal of the BCSS Zone Scholarships, Dave Gifford Memorial Scholarships, the Bert & Greta Quartermaine Badminton Scholarship and the BC Dairy Soccer Scholarships. There is an increase in scholarship funding this year, with the total awards available hitting \$21, 500.

Remind your Grade 12 student-athletes to apply! The 2017-18 Scholarship Submission deadline is: **May 7**, **2018.** Scholarship Applications must be submitted in one document via email to info@bcschoolsports.ca.

2017-2018 Available Scholarships:

Bert & Greta Quatermaine Scholarship (Badminton)

BCSS Zone Scholarships

- Dave Gifford Memorial Scholarship
- BC Dairy Scholarship (Soccer)

Scholarship Applications



CIAAA National Athletic Directors Conference

April 19 - 21, 2018

The CIAAA National Athletic Directors Conference is in Regina, SK, April 19-21, 2018. These conferences are fantastic for AD-focused professional development, networking, and they are just a bit of fun too!

The Conference offers a dynamic, customizable, Athletic-Director centred professional development experience. The conference will feature 10 Leadership Training Program courses (including the launch of a brand new courses), 17 exciting workshop topics to choose from, a conference banquet/keynote address, vendor trade show and an off-site social.



BCSS Out of Province Sanctioning

Is your team travelling or playing teams from outside of BC?

When BCSS member schools are playing other school teams from outside of BC, sanctioning is required from BCSS as well as the other provincial or state associations. Sanctioning forms are to be submitted at least 30 days in advance of the competition.

Sanctioning forms are available on the BCSS website.





BCSS Accommodation Directory

Find a place to stay!

BCSS is proud to offer our Accommodation Directory as a resource for finding comfortable and reliable accommodations across BC. These hotels support BCSS and help to provide more opportunities for student-athletes. Whether your team (players, coaches, family and fans) is travelling to championships, tournaments or to any other sporting events, you will be sure to find accommodation that fits all your teams' needs away from home.

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BC Dairy Annual Milk Run

April 25, 2018

The Milk Run is a 3 km run, walk, wheel, or skate promoting school spirit, healthy lifestyles, and community involvement. Schools are encouraged to use Milk Run as a fundraising opportunity for the school or a local charity. This year, Milk Run will be held Wednesday 25th April 2018.



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Teachers, Athletic Directors, Administrators, Commissioners! Do you know someone in your school community who goes above and beyond with your sports programs? Nominate them today for the Annual BC School Sports Awards.

Annual Awards & Criteria

Merit Award

- Must have been involved as a coach/sponsor, administrator or official at the school level.
- Must have served administratively on at least one of the following: Executive of a Local Athletic Association,
- Executive Member of a Sport Commission, Member of a BCSS Standing Committee, or Member of the BCSS Board of Directors.
- Must not currently be a member of the BCSS Board of Directors.

Honour Award

- Must have been involved as a coach/sponsor at the school level.
- Must have served administratively on at least two of the following Executive of a Local Athletic Association,
- Executive Member of a Sport Commission, or Member of a BCSS Standing Committee
- Must have served at least one full two year term as a member of the BCSS Board of Directors.
- Must be, or have been, a teacher or administrator.
- Must not currently be a member of the BCSS Board of Directors.

Coach of the Year (Male & Female)

- Must have been actively involved in coaching high school athletics for a minimum of ten years.
- Consistently promotes the philosophy of fair play and sportsmanship.
- Must be, or have been, a teacher or school administrator.
- Must not currently be a member of the BCSS Board of Directors.

Outstanding School Award

The purpose of the Outstanding School Award is to recognize a school whose special commitment to improving the lives of its students and staff through athletics, intramurals, leadership and public service has contributed significantly to the welfare of school athletics in its local community and within the province.

CLICK HERE TO NOMINATE!

Winter Deadlines

November 27th – March 10th



January 17	Roster Registration Deadline (Winter)
January 30	Eligibility Appeals Committee Submission Deadline (2:00pm)
February 3	Eligibility Appeals Committee Meeting





Winter Championships

November 27th - March 10th

February 28 - March 3	AA/AAA Girls Basketball	Langley
March 1 - 3	Curling	New Westminster
March 1 - 3	Wrestling	Port Alberni
March 5 - 7	Ski/SB	Sun Peaks
March 7 - 10	A Girls Basketball	Chilliwack
March 7 - 10	Boys Basketball	Langley
March 8 - 10*	Gymnastics	Burnaby

* Date Change from Handbook



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