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NEWSLETTER



SPRING 2023 CHAMPIONS



2A ULTIMATE ST. THOMAS MORE



3A ULTIMATE BURNABY NORTH



2A TENNIS

SENTINEL



3A TENNIS

MAGEE



MOUNTAIN BIKING

PEMBERTON





2A GIRLS RUGBY XV's



SHAWNIGAN LAKE



3A GIRLS RUGBY XV's

YALE



GIRLS RUGBY 7'S*

CLAREMONT



***DEMONSTRATION SPORT**



2A BOYS RUGBY XV's



COLLINGWOOD



3A BOYS RUGBY XV's ST. GEORGE'S



BOYS RUGBY 7'S*

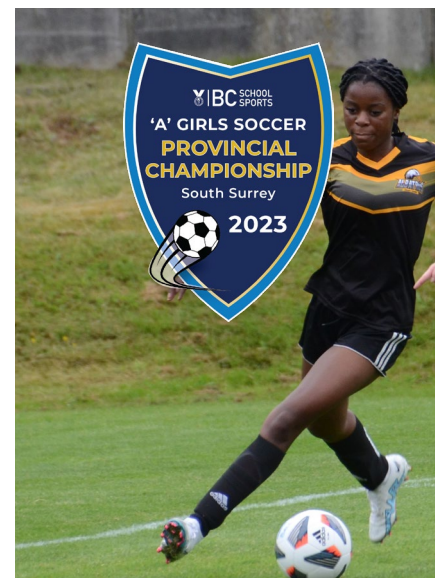
STELLY'S



***DEMONSTRATION SPORT**



1A GIRLS SOCCER **IMMACULATA**



2A GIRLS SOCCER **ST. MICHAELS**



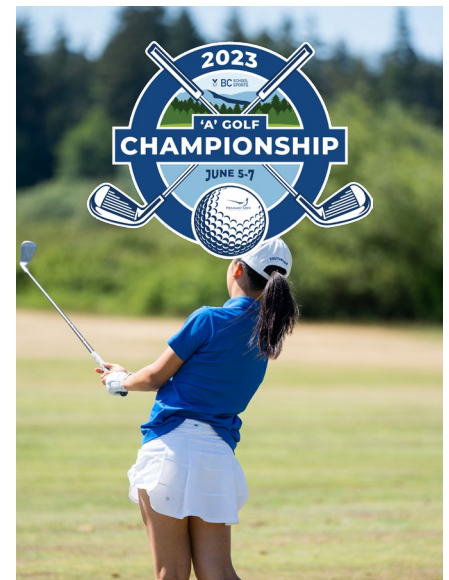
3A GIRLS SOCCER **CENTENNIAL**





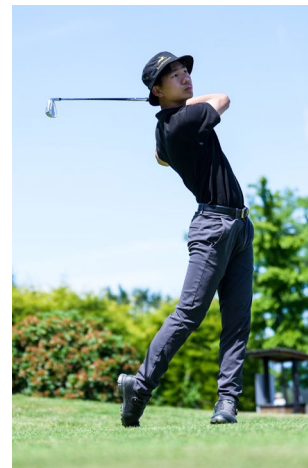
1A GOLF

SOUTHRIDGE



2A GOLF

KWALIKUM



3A GOLF

ST. GEORGE'S





2A BOYS TRACK & FIELD

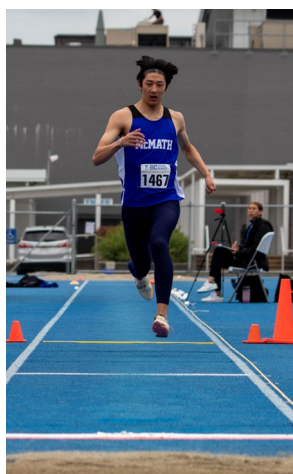
PACIFIC ACADEMY



2A GIRLS, 2A BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

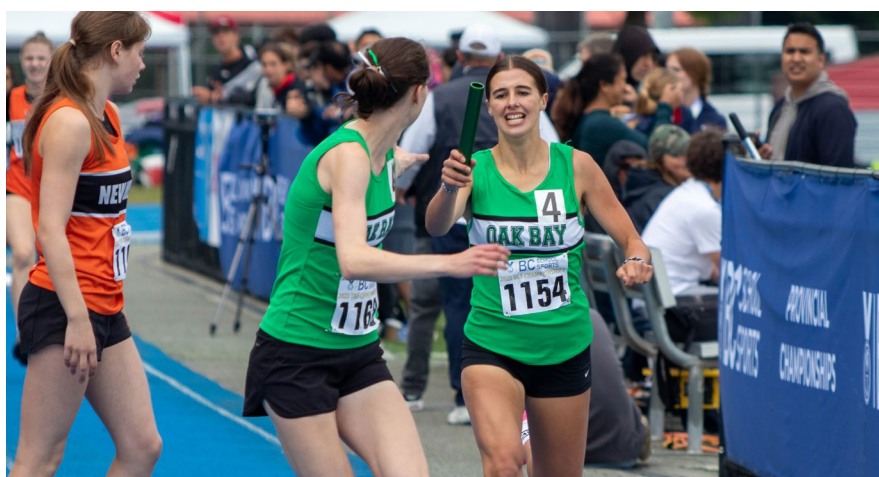
CROFTON HOUSE





3A BOYS TRACK & FIELD

R.A. MCMATH



3A GIRLS, 3A BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

OAK BAY





BADMINTON

VANCOUVER COLLEGE/ LITTLE FLOWER

FALL 2023-24 CHAMPIONSHIP BIDS

BID APPLICATIONS

Any championship that remains without a host on the first day of the Season of Play (Final day of preceding school year for Fall sports) for that sport, will be cancelled for that season. Schools may still participate in league, zone championship, and exhibition events. If you are interested in hosting any of the below championships, please contact the BCSS office and a staff member will discuss the opportunity of hosting.



2023-24 TENTATIVE CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

FALL 2023-24

SPORT	TIER	CHAMPIONSHIP DATES	LOCATION
CROSS COUNTRY	A/AA/AAA	NOV 4	PENDING
AQUATICS	AA/AAA	NOV 17-18	NANAIMO
FIELD HOCKEY	AA	NOV 6-8	WEST VANCOUVER
	AAA	NOV 8-10	CHILLIWACK
SOCCER - BOYS	A	NOV 1-3	PENDING
	AA	NOV 20-22	BURNABY
	AAA	NOV 23-25	BURNABY
VOLLEYBALL - GIRLS	A	NOV 30 - DEC 2	SOUTH SLOCAN
	AA	NOV 30 - DEC 2	MILL BAY
	AAA	NOV 30 - DEC 2	DAWSON CREEK
	AAAA	NOV 30 - DEC 2	SURREY
VOLLEYBALL - BOYS	A	NOV 30 - DEC 2	NORTH VANCOUVER
	AA	NOV 29 - DEC 2	LANGLEY
	AAA	NOV 29 - DEC 2	VICTORIA
FOOTBALL	AA/AAA	DEC 2	VANCOUVER

WINTER 2023-24

SPORT	TIER	CHAMPIONSHIP DATES	LOCATION
SKI/SNOWBOARD	N/A	FEB 26-28	KAMLOOPS
WRESTLING	N/A	FEB 22-24	VANCOUVER
CURLING	N/A	FEB 28 - MAR 2	KELOWNA
BASKETBALL - GIRLS	A/AAA/AAA/AAAA	FEB 28 - MAR 2	LANGLEY
BASKETBALL - BOYS	A/AAA/AAA/AAAA	MAR 6-9	LANGLEY

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SPRING 2024

SPORT	TIER	CHAMPIONSHIP DATES	LOCATION
ULTIMATE	AA/AAA	MAY 23-24	KAMLOOPS
MOUNTAIN BIKE	N/A	MAY 25	VACANT
BADMINTON	N/A	MAY 30 - JUN 1	VACANT
TENNIS	AA/AAA	MAY 23-25	VANCOUVER/ BURNABY
SOCCER - GIRLS	A	MAY 30 - JUN 1	KAMLOOPS
	AA	MAY 27-29	BURNABY
	AAA	MAY 30 - JUN 1	PORT COQUITLAM
GOLF	A	JUN 3-5	VACANT
	AA	JUN 3-5	VACANT
	AAA	JUN 3-5	VACANT
RUGBY	AA/AAA	MAY 29 - JUN 1	ABBOTSFORD
TRACK & FIELD	MULTI EVENTS	MAY 31 - JUN 1	PENDING
	AA/AAA	JUN 6-8	PENDING

CHAMPIONSHIP APPAREL



Missed out on any championship apparel this school year? Our apparel partner Rush Team Apparel offers post-championship online ordering for most of our events. Check out the online storefront [here](#).



END OF YEAR MESSAGE

And just like that, the spring season, along with the 2022-2023 year, has come to a close. What a great finish it was with some incredible spring season championships, culminating in 14 incredible BCSS championships over 17 days across the province. We had our largest ever mountain biking championship field ever with nearly 500 participants on Red Mountain in Rossland, as that sport continues to grow. Our rugby championship, the largest rugby event in Canada, with 88 teams, 143 coaches and 2196 student-athletes was a great event featuring boys, girls, 15-a-side and 7-a-side competition. The following weekend saw the BCSS Track and Field Championships, with a record 2447 competitors and 628 coaches participating at the event and saw some incredible performances with multiple all-time records broken.

We know that making a provincial championship is the pinnacle for any student-athlete in their high school sporting career, and many come to recognize it as one of the highlights of their formative years. It would not be possible to put these events on without the incredible support of the many volunteers, officials and coaches who make them happen. Thank you to everyone who had a role in creating these events, and opportunities for our student-athletes.

I want to extend a special thank you to the athletic directors at our 450+ member schools. This thankless and demanding role is the most critical to any athletics program, and despite the challenges and in many cases the lack of adequate support, our ADs go above and beyond to ensure the students in their schools can participate and experience the benefits of school sports. There is no way we could properly salute them, but we do want to publicly say thanks to all our athletic directors for a great year and the countless hours you have put in to make it happen.

Part of the reason that the demands were so high this year is because we saw a massive increase in participation rates. Overall, we saw an 8.3% increase from last year, which was already an increase from pre-covid numbers. Across the province, we had 117,608 sport registrations this year. We are checking historical records, but this will be close to, if not, a 10-year high in total participation.

Thank you to everyone for your efforts this year. It was wonderful to see school sport so robust and rebound so strongly after years of pandemic setbacks. A reminder that the office is open Monday to Thursday throughout the summer. I wish all of you a restful and relaxing summer, and we look forward to seeing you in the fall.



Jordan Abney

Executive Director

2022-2023 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

DAVE GIFFORD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

KIERA PEMBERTON

WALNUT GROVE SECONDARY

MICAH BARKER

ROBERT BATEMAN SECONDARY

BCSS ZONE SCHOLARSHIP

KOOTENAY

IZABELL MATTICK

GRAND FORKS SECONDARY

RILEY MURRAY

ELKFORD SECONDARY

EASTERN VALLEY

GRACE PRUIM

CREDO CHRISTIAN

BRANDON LEUNG

WALNUT GROVE SECONDARY

NORTH CENTRAL

RACHEL LOUKES

COLLEGE HEIGHTS SECONDARY

CALEB EMON

DUCHESS PARK SECONDARY

FRASER NORTH

LINDSAY GOUDRON

BURNABY CENTRAL SECONDARY

MARCO KEE

CENTENNIAL SCHOOL

VANCOUVER ISLAND

ELLAINA COLEY

STELLY'S SECONDARY

DYLAN GAGE

BRENTWOOD COLLEGE

NORTH WEST

OLIVIA PENNINGA

EBENEZER CANADIAN
REFORMED SCHOOL

SOUTH FRASER

GEMMA DUMAS

SOUTH DELTA SECONDARY

TYLER JONES

DELTA SECONDARY

THOMPSON-OKANAGAN

JOCELYN ORR

VALLEYVIEW SECONDARY

CALEB GREMAUD

WESTSYDE SECONDARY

VANCOUVER SEA-TO-SKY

KAITLIN INGRAM

PRINCE OF WALES SECONDARY

JAYDEN CHEUNG

SENTINEL SECONDARY

BERT & GRETA QUARTERMAINE BADMINTON SCHOLARSHIP

MARIANNE LI

DAVID THOMPSON SECONDARY

DANIEL SO

ERIC HAMBER SECONDARY

SALLY JIE

ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL

AMY ZHANG

MT. DOUGLAS SECONDARY

ANIKA TAKAHASHI

POINT GREY SECONDARY

JOSHUA YAN

MT. DOUGLAS SECONDARY

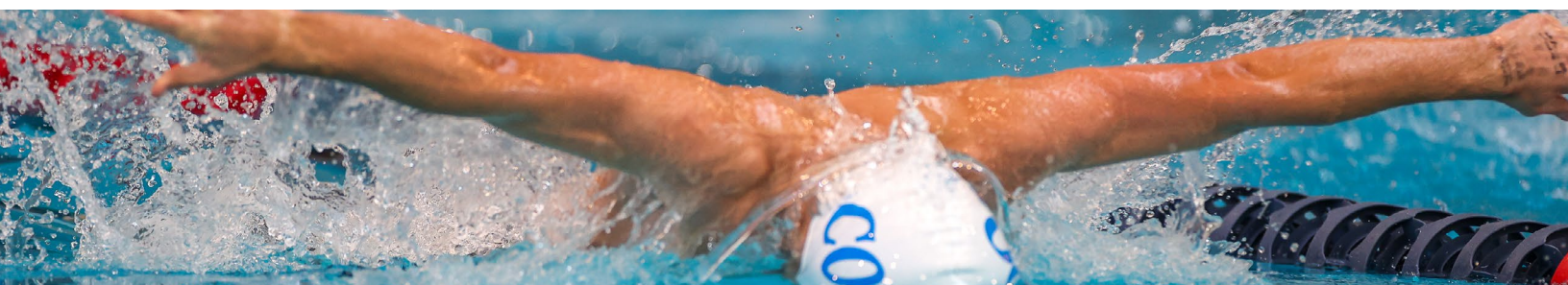
BCSS INDIGENOUS STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

CASSIDY MACDOUGALL

FORT ST. JAMES SECONDARY

AIDAN CHABOT

PITT MEADOWS SECONDARY



STARS TURNOVER REMINDER



FORMS FOR NEXT YEAR

As the school year comes to a wrap, BCSS will begin preparing for the annual STARS turnover. Please ensure that your AD and Administrator on record is up-to-date and their email address is correct to ensure that they receive their opt-in email at the end of the summer. If you have had an administration change at your school, or know of one planned for next year that is not updated on STARS, please email BCSS Staff (info@bcschoolsports.ca) with the correct information in order for the change to be made.

Prior to the start of each school year, BCSS staff update all our forms to reflect any rule changes that passed at the AGM. Please ensure to use the 2023-2024 forms which will be located under the forms tab of our website after **August 14, 2023**. BCSS will accept forms for the 2023-2024 school year starting **August 28, 2023**.

BCSS SUMMER OFFICE HOURS



BC School Sports will be moving to summer hours **starting July 1st!** Our hours will be as follows:

MONDAY - THURSDAY	8AM - 4PM
FRIDAY	CLOSED

CONGRATULATIONS SUE ON YOUR RETIREMENT!



Sue Thorne started her teaching career in 1992 at Prince Charles Secondary and soon after got involved in school sports by coaching grade 8 girls' basketball which became the beginning of her astounding coaching career. Sue's coaching portfolio included many sports; volleyball, basketball, soccer, track & field and bowling of which her team won the banner in 1997. Early into her career Sue began taking opportunities beyond her school as she took on the secretary/treasurer position for the East Kootenay Schools Athletic Association. As her involvement grew over the years, Sue eventually became the president of the association, a position she held until her retirement (27 years). In addition to her zone involvement, Sue served on the BCSS Board of Directors for 16 years and the BCSS Eligibility Appeals Committee for 22 years. In 2021 Sue, received the BCSS Honour Award, the highest honour in recognition of service to BC School Sports. We would like to thank Sue for all her contributions to school sport and wish her well in her retirement.

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