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BC SCHOOL SPORTS ANNOUNCES NEW LARGE RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIPS

BCSS Rugby Championships to be massive festival-style event featuring Boys & Girls, 7s & 15s championships over 4 days at Exhibition Park in Abbotsford.

Burnaby, BC – BC School Sports will be hosting one of the largest rugby events in Canada. School sides in Boys and Girls, 7s and 15s will come together from across BC on June 1st to 4th at Exhibition Park in Abbotsford for a true celebration of school rugby after 2-straight years of Covid related cancellations, and to vie for the coveted blue BCSS championship banner.

This one-of-a-kind festival style event will see seven Provincials Champions crowned over 4 days in Rotary Stadium. The event will feature AA/AAA Girls 15 Tournaments, AA/AAA/AAAA Boys 15s Tournaments and for the first time ever BCSS will showcase Boys and Girls 7s as a demonstration sport.

Walter Van Halst, BCSS Rugby Championships Co-Chair commented “It’s been a tough two years without high school rugby, but every player and coach I’ve talked to is absolutely thrilled to be back on the field. This year’s provincial championships will be the start of a new era and a celebration of rugby resilience.”

The XV’s tournament will run from Wednesday, June 1st to Saturday, June 4th with various tiers competing on different days. The 7s tournaments will run on Thursday, June 2nd and Friday, June 3rd followed by the traditional barbecue social for all participating teams after the 7s Champions have been awarded on Friday night.

In total, the event will feature over 70 games of Rugby 15s and over 90 games of Rugby 7s with over 72 total teams participating.

Jordan Abney, BCSS Executive Director noted “after 2 years without spring sports, we can’t wait to put this event on. With adding Girls’ Rugby to our list of championships, and then adding on 7’s, the rugby focus across BC will be squarely on our amazing student-athletes as they play their hearts out for their schools.”



About BC School Sports

BC School Sports is the governing body for school sport in British Columbia. BCSS offers opportunities for interschool competition in over 19 activities to over 70,000 student-athletes each year. Our membership consists of over 440 member schools, with students in Grades 8-12. School sport returned this fall, after a 17-month shutdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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