

NEWSLETTER

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THE FUTURE OF BCSS GAMING FUNDING

You may be aware that BCSS does not receive any core operating funding from the provincial government. We do, however, submit a detailed annual grant application to receive gaming funds. For the last number of year, BCSS has received \$200,000 from the Gaming Branch. Of this, nearly 70% goes to either support commissions, championships, or insurance. The rest goes into the delivery of other BCSS programs. In this year's funding letter we were notified by gaming that due to our governance structure, our gaming funding in future years could be in jeopardy. As you can imagine this is quite alarming, as it is a significant source of revenue for our organization.

BCSS is drafting a detailed memo so that the membership is fully aware of the concerns as well as the actions the Board and staff are taking on this matter. We are hoping this development is a result of some new staff in the Gaming Branch, and that with some education and communication, we can expect to continue to receive the funding. However, depending on the outcome of these decisions, it may necessitate some changes in governance. We will keep the membership updated as we look for clarity from the staff at the Gaming Branch.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR TRAINING

Check out our **NEW ONLINE COURSE!** Athletic Director Survival Guide - the most important things to know about surviving as an Athletic Director.



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2018 - 2019 BCSS FALL DEADLINE DATES

October 17	Roster Registration Deadline
October 23	EAC Submission Deadline (2:00pm)
October 27	EAC Meeting
November 20	EAC Submission Deadline (2:00pm)
November 24	EAC Meeting

SANCTIONING

ARE YOU TRAVELLING OUT OF PROVINCE OR HOSTING AN OUT OF PROVINCE TEAM?

Sanctioning is required! Please make sure you submit a Travelling or Hosting Sanctioning form at least 30 days in advance of the tournament or game you will be attending/hosting. Reminder! Member schools may only play other associations member schools, competition with club/community teams is prohibited.

FINAL TIERING NUMBERS

The 2018 - 2019 Final Tiering Numbers have been posted [here](#) on our website. Schools that are highlighted in yellow have appealed their numbers and been approved.

Reminder - Boys Basketball is in the second year of their two year tiering cycle, tiers for Boys Basketball will remain the same as 2017-2018.

THIRD PARTY EVENT SANCTIONING

If you have a team travelling to an event that is not hosted by a member school, please ensure the event has been sanctioned by BCSS before attending. There is a list of BCSS third party sanctioned events on the BCSS home page.

Third Party Sanctioning

2018 - 2019 FALL CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

November 1 - 3	A Boys Soccer	Duncan
November 3	Cross Country	Nanaimo
November 7 - 9	AA Field Hockey	Vancouver
November 14 - 16	AAA Field Hockey	Surrey
November 16 - 17	Aquatics	Richmond
November 19 - 21	AA Boys Soccer	Burnaby
November 22 - 24	AAA Boys Soccer	Burnaby
November 22 - 24	A Boys Volleyball	Prince George
November 28 - December 1	AA/AAA Boys Volleyball	Langley
November 29 - December 1	A Girls Volleyball	Nanaimo
November 29 - December 1	AA Girls Volleyball	Burnaby
November 29 - December 1	AAA Girls Volleyball	Powell River
November 29 - December 1	AAAA Girls Volleyball	Penticton
December 1	AA/AAA Football	Vancouver

2018 - 2019 BCSS FORMS

BC School Sports has released the new updated versions of the 2018-2019 Eligibility Forms. Please use the new forms when submitting applications to BCSS. Outdated forms will not be accepted.

All forms are to be submitted to info@bcschoolsports.ca

2018-2018 Forms

SPORT BC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Each year, Sport BC recognized one male and female athlete who was enrolled in a secondary school in the province of BC and who competed in an individual sport or on a sports team in the 2017-2018 school year.

Award Criteria:

- Nominees are to be nominated for and will be judged on the three seasons on play (Fall, Winter, Spring)
- An athlete can be nominated in only one Sport BC Awards category and only by a BCSS member school or member of Sport BC
- Each school can only nominate one male and one female athlete

Submission Requirements

- Submit four photos of the athlete in HD quality
- Supporting documentation is encouraged (news articles)
- Send photos and/or supporting documentation to christine@sportbc.com

Nominations are due Friday, November 16th, 2018

Nomination Form

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP TRAVEL GRANT

BCSS as a service to our member schools works with ViaSport to provide the reporting information required for the Sport on the Move grant. This provides our schools access to over \$120,000 in funding for teams traveling over a certain distance to a BCSS Provincial Championship. What is required? All you have to do is opt-in! In the coming days, the Athletic Director at each member school will receive a notification from ViaSport. The email will ask you to opt-in to ViaSport's Sport on the Move Travel Grant. Funding is sent out to those schools that qualify after each season of play. If you do not opt-in, your school will not have the opportunity to receive funding. Be on the lookout for the email, and opt-in!

FALL COUNCIL MEETING

The 2018 Fall Council Meetings will take place on October 20th. The meetings will begin at 9:00am. There will be more information to come next week. Keep an eye out on our website.

MEMBERSHIP PACKAGES

Annual Membership Packages have been sent to school district offices! Keep an eye out for delivery in September. The 2018 - 2019 Handbook and Calendar are also accessible online.

NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OR PRINCIPAL?

Is there a new Athletic Director or Principal at your school? If so please send the updated contact information to: info@bcschoolsports.ca

ACCOMMODATION DIRECTORY

Are your teams travelling this school year? Do they need a place to stay?

Check out the **BCSS online accommodation directory** for places to stay! Great team rates!



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