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“The purpose of the SHSAA is to foster educational opportunities for all students through interschool sport.”

November 2020 Newsletter

We remain in awe of the tremendous work undertaken by School Divisions and staff to ensure that schools have opened safely. As conditions and response related to COVID-19 fluctuate around the province, the SHSAA remains respectful of the decisions made by each Member and school in relation to school sport opportunities provided to students.

All sport, not just school sport, is taking on a much simpler approach during the pandemic. Without the option to travel extensively or worry about 'who makes the team', sport, where possible, is being offered at the local level to more students than in past years when decisions tended to be influenced by elite development and championships. Don't get me wrong, SHSAA takes pride in the playoffs and provincial championships that are conducted but the pandemic has allowed for a renewed focus on the foundational belief that school sport is used to build citizenship skills through competitive and inclusive sport opportunities. The engagement of students in school activities and the additional educational interactions between staff and students are crucial in the educational environment.

The Executive Council has set dates for two upcoming meetings in advance of the Presidents' meeting. The Executive will meet November 9 and November 29 before meeting with the Presidents and Athletic Commissioners on December 3. In their meetings, the Executive will be looking to review the fall activities, provide guidance around the winter activities, and begin further planning for spring activities. Discussions will continue to include valuable feedback that has been received from schools and Members with regard to how COVID-19 has impacted school sport delivery in their schools. The Executive will continue to look at adjusting parameters that allow flexibility for schools to provide multiple activities to their students this school year. Long-term student safety through multi-sport participation, maintaining a level playing field this year and into the next, and balancing multiple seasons of play will all play a role in decision making.

SHSAA Assistant Executive Director - Job Posting

The SHSAA is beginning the search for the next Assistant Executive Director. If you are interested in a career with the SHSAA [please click here to view the job advertisement](#). Applications close November 20, 2020.



SHSAA Sponsors & Funders



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Remembrance Day 2020

Over the past few years, SHSAA has developed an important partnership with the Royal Canadian Legion, Saskatchewan Command. SHSAA asks those involved in school sport to continue recognizing this relationship by acknowledging Remembrance Day and your local Legion Branches over the few weeks during the National Poppy Campaign that kicks off on October 30.



CIAAA

A reminder that each SHSAA Athletic Director is provided with a free membership in the Canadian Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. You should have received information on how to activate your free membership. For more information and to stay up to date with all the offerings from CIAAA visit www.ciaaa.ca or contact the SHSAA office.

CIAAA - Job Opportunity

CIAAA Executive Director, Drew Hanson, has indicated that he will be making a career change in January 2021. The CIAAA is therefore starting the process to find a replacement in time that they are able to work with Drew for a few weeks prior to the transition. [Please click here to see the job application and details.](#)

Virtual Cross Country Results

Below is a link with results for the SHSAA Virtual Provincial Cross Country run. Please note that results have not been ranked by time due to variations of the course, terrain, weather, etc. [Virtual Cross Country Results.](#)

Fall Clothing Sale – The SHSAA Boutique

"Finding a Way to Play" clothing is available for purchase through the SHSAA Boutique. Deadline to order is November 20, 2020. The link to order is at ["Finding a Way to Play"](#)

Coaches Card

The 2019-2021 Coaches Card is now available. The cost of this card is \$12. You can send your request and payment to the SHSAA office. We will process the order and send the card immediately. [Please click here to see the order form.](#)

Team Fees

For those schools that will have team fees to pay to SHSAA, invoices will be sent to schools in late January.

Important Dates & Reminders

Projected start dates:

November 30 - Curling and Wrestling

December 7 - Basketball

February 1 – Badminton

March 29 – Track & Field

Meetings:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- Executive Meeting

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- Executive Meeting

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

- District Presidents Meeting

SHSAA would like to collect data that can be used in reporting to our funders and sponsors. Schools that are offering a sport opportunity to their students are asked to register those programs in ExNet. Should a school require assistance in completing the registration, please contact the SHSAA office.

A reminder that there are a number of instructional videos on the use of ExNet posted on the [SHSAA YouTube channel](#). Be sure to subscribe to the channel when you visit the site.

2020 fall hosts have until the December 2020 Presidents' meeting to indicate their intent to host in 2021. Any championships that are left open will be advertised as such and bids will be accepted by the Executive until April 1, 2021.



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NATIONAL JERSEY DAY

NOV. 26 & 27, 2020

Show your support for School Sport across Canada!

"Wear Your Jersey to School / Work"

On November 26th & 27th, School Sport Canada associations are supporting a national day to show your love and support for sport by wearing a sport jersey to school, work or play.

From municipal council chambers to office buildings and classrooms across the nation, we envision a sea of Canadians wearing their hearts on their sleeves on national Jersey Day.

Join the high school sport associations across Canada to show your support for sport and spread the word in your school!

