



School Access Guidelines

BC school facilities are important community assets. This guide gives schools, school districts, and sport organizations the practical tools to increase access and reduce underuse – reducing friction, cutting costs, and expanding youth sport access.

BENEFITS FOR SCHOOLS

Lower Costs

- Co-invest with clubs on equipment and facility upgrades
- Set rental fees that cover maintenance / wear and tear
- Eliminate the need for custodial staff at every rental

Cut Administrative Burden

- Reduce back and forth with an online booking platform
- Standardize agreement templates to avoid drafting from scratch
- Keep things running smoothly by clarifying custodian and renter responsibilities

Strengthen Your School

- Access certified coaches from partner clubs to fill school coaching gaps
- Increase adult presence on school grounds after hours, reducing vandalism
- Position your school as an active partner in local youth development

BENEFITS FOR SPORT ORGS

Secure Reliable Access

- Navigate school processes and secure access more efficiently
- Plan seasons, recruit coaches, and set fees with confidence
- Unlock predictable scheduling

Lower Costs

- Exchange certified coaching for gym time
- Assume responsibility for post-session cleanup to reduce or offset custodial fees
- Access BC Community Gaming Grants through your non-profit status to fund equipment upgrades

Build Lasting Partnerships

- Formalize service-for-space arrangements to secure priority access
- Invest in capital partnerships to gain long-term access
- Demonstrate responsible use to shift your club's status from renter to trusted partner

WHAT YOU'LL FIND INSIDE THE FULL GUIDE

Templates and Tools

- Shared Use Agreement checklist and template
- A list of all nine Regional Sport Alliance organizations with direct links

Funding Sources

- BC Community Gaming Grants
- Ministry of Education Capital Asset Management Framework
- Co-investment models

Case Studies

- Shared Use Agreements between the City of Prince George and SD57
- SD45 and West Vancouver Football Club co-investment
- Volleyball BC's service-for-space approach