

5.9 BBCS SPORTS TEAM

Purpose:

To outline Bella Bella Community School's policy regarding BBCS Sports Teams. BBCS is committed to promoting healthy living and supporting athletic activities for all students. This policy reflects our mandate to encourage and facilitate student participation in sports, ensuring that all students can engage in athletic endeavours. This is the standard practice for all sports teams at BBCS.

Scope: All administrators, coaches, managers, teachers, parents and students

Policy:

BBCS encourages the formation and participation of athletic teams as an integral part of the school program. Developing a program includes coaching, student participation, use of facilities, travel, and financial support. Specific procedures have been established to maximize team sports' benefits for students and the school while ensuring student safety.

Coaches are required to complete all necessary forms related to establishing a team, including a coaches/team contract, anticipated budget, equipment needs, and a list of team players.

Eligibility to play on BBCS teams is determined by the coach, manager, and school administrator. This eligibility is based on effort, attitude, attendance, and work ethic. BBCS teams are officially recognized as school teams only if all team members are students enrolled at BBCS for the full academic year. These teams are covered under the general liability coverage of the BBCSS insurance. Teams that invite or include players not enrolled at BBCS for the school year lose this coverage and must arrange their own insurance. Non-resident Hailzaqv players must submit a letter of request to the principal and documentation of current player expectations.

Team Travel Expectations: All players must stay with the team during travel for liability reasons and to foster team bonding. This policy is essential for maintaining student safety, ensuring proper supervision, and promoting a unified team spirit. Coaches and managers are responsible for coordinating travel arrangements and ensuring that all team members adhere to this policy.

To travel on any athletic field trip:

- A signed waiver from their parent or guardian relinquishing Bella Bella Community School Society of any responsibility in case of accident.
- A recommendation from the school, based on the eligibility requirements

While on the athletic field trip, the student/s must follow coach, manager and chaperone regulations and behavioural expectations. If a student is sent home before the scheduled time of departure for any reason, it will be at the expense of the student's parents/guardians.

Procedures:

Establishing the Team, Practice, Events, Budget, and Support Structure

Any person intending to coach a sports team with students from BBCS and requesting support from BBCSS must follow BBCSS Policies and Procedures.

1. Complete the BBCS “Sports Team Application” (Appendix A) including:
 - Naming the team activity
 - Names of the coach and team manager, including certification and qualification levels
 - Team Composition: identify group dynamics (age and composition)
 - Outline competitive expectations (JANT, Track meets, etc)
 - Games and Competitions: Identification of events the team plans to participate in, including, travel involved with estimated school time missed
 - Outline requested support from BBCSS:
 - Number of practices per week using school property
 - Identification of school facilities used (gym, field, other)
 - Specification of school equipment to be used
 - Financial Support: Establish a team budget for the season, including the expected direct financial support per student
2. Applying to Become a Coach or Manager:
 - Submit a letter of interest to the principal requesting to become a coach or manager of a sports team, including:
 - Naming the team activity - Defining the age group - Names of the coach and team manager, including certification and qualification levels - Negative Criminal Record Check for the vulnerable sector through the Ministry of Justice BC - Support requested from BBCSS: - Number of practices per week using school property - Identification of school facilities used (gym, field, other) - Specification of school equipment to be used
 - Await decision before commencing any team activities

Review Process:

After receiving a request to coach or manage, the principal, representing the BBCSS Board, will review the application on an individual basis according to the following criteria:

1. Fit of the proposed activity with existing policies and BBCSS values
2. Level and areas of support offered to the team: 2.1. School Property/Gym Use: - Availability - Age-appropriate practice times and frequency - Adherence to BBCSS Policies 2.2. Materials and Equipment Use: - Availability - Possible cost sharing - Adherence to BBCSS Policies 2.3. Financial Support: - Possible equipment purchases - Possible property adjustments and/or updates - Per BBCS student allotment

Once the application is complete, the principal will present the information for review to the school board.

Player Expectations:

As a player on a BBCS sports team, the student recognizes that representing their community comes with the responsibility to do their best in all parts of their life. The student commits to upholding our Gvilas, including the following:

- **Respect:** The student is respectful to their teachers, family, and peers.
- **Responsibility:** The student will put their best effort into attending all classes, handing in all assignments on time, and attending homework club when needing extra support to stay caught up.
- **Relationships:** The student values their relationships and will find ways to support others who need help in return.

In addition to these values, the student accepts the following responsibilities:

1. **Academic Course Load:** The student must be a full-time student at BBCS, maintaining a full course load for their program.
2. **Hałzaqv Descent:** To participate in the Junior All-Native Tournament, the student must be of Hałzaqv descent.
3. **Grade Requirements:**
 - a. **U13 Players:** Must achieve an average proficient score in their courses or meet the goals set in their Individual Education Plan (IEP), which must be achieved and maintained a month before tournament participation.
 - b. **U17 Players:** For grades 10-12, students must achieve a C+ average or meet the goals set in their Individual Education Plan (IEP), which must be achieved and maintained a month before tournament participation.
4. **Attendance Requirement:**
 - a. **U13 Players:** Must maintain a satisfactory attendance record as determined by school policies.
 - b. **U17 Players:** Must maintain a satisfactory attendance record as determined by school policies.
5. **Coach and Manager Instructions:** The student agrees to follow all directions and instructions given by the coach and manager.
6. **Behavioural Expectations:** The student agrees to be respectful and serve as a role model for the team.

Player expectations are enforced for every school team, and player eligibility will be based on the school year; thus, providing a fresh start to adhere to the expectations for students year to year.

Sports are just one area that the student enjoys and wants to succeed in, but they also recognize that their character extends beyond the field or court to the greater community. Therefore, to participate on any BBCS sports team, the student's conduct at school is important.

The parent provides permission for their student's teachers to share information about their status at school with their coaches. The parent also recognizes that their student's performance and attendance at school will determine their level of participation on the sports team.

Parent Responsibility:

Parents of athletes on any BBCSS athletic team are expected to:

- Support their child's adherence to team policies and expectations.
- Encourage and model respectful behaviour towards coaches, referees, and other teams.
- Ensure that their child arrives on time for practices and games.
- Communicate promptly with coaches regarding any absences or issues.
- Participate in team meetings and events as needed.
- Assist with team activities, such as transportation or fundraising, when requested.
- Adhere to BBCSS Policies and Procedures, understanding that non-compliance can result in non-eligibility to play on the school team and can affect the support provided to the team.
- Refrain from interfering with the decisions made by coaches and managers.

Coaches & Managers Responsibility:

Team Operation: Team coaches, managers, and principals of any BBCSS athletic team must ensure compliance with all existing policies and expectations. While BBCSS has limited control over the team's day-to-day operations, the financial support provided by BBCSS to each team, both direct and indirect, will depend on the team's adherence to the coaching agreement and BBCSS Policies and Procedures.

School Property/Gym Use: BBCSS (Gym Committee) reserves the right to withdraw support if the team does not adhere to BBCSS Policies and Procedures. Use of school property and gym facilities is based upon availability and prior approval. Access to the gym is permitted only with a coach and/or manager present; students are *not* permitted in the gym unsupervised under any circumstances.

Materials and Equipment Use: BBCSS (Gym Committee) reserves the right to withdraw support if the team does not adhere to BBCSS Policies and Procedures. Use of materials and equipment is based upon availability and prior approval.

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BBCS Sports Team Application



Athletic/Sport Activity:

Age Group:

Competitive Level:

List all of the coach(es) and Manager(s):

Name	Team Position	Certification Level	Criminal Record Check Date

Support Requested from BBCSS (check all that apply):

☐ Gym ☐ Field ☐ other:

of practices per week: _____

Equipment needed: _____

Competitions:

- Events planned to participate: _____
- Estimated school time (days) missed per student: _____

Financial Support:

- A team budget for the season together with a *per student* funding request needs to be attached to this application

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Coach/Manager Contract



Team coaches and managers of any BBCSS Athletic Team must ensure compliance with all existing BBCSS Policies and Expectations. While BBCS has limited control over the day-to-day operations of the team, the direct and indirect financial support provided by BBCSS to each team will depend on each team's adherence to the coaching agreement and BBCSS Policies and Procedures.

Criminal Records Check: All coaches and managers must undergo a criminal record check through the Ministry of Justice before beginning any practices or team activities. This is to ensure the safety and well-being of all participants.

Eligibility and Coverage: BBCSS teams can only be considered school teams if all members of the team are students enrolled for the full year at BBCS and, as such, are covered under the general liability coverage of the BBCSS Insurance. Teams inviting/including players who are not enrolled at BBCS for the school year lose that coverage, along with possible school funding, and are responsible for their own insurance coverage.

Emergency Preparedness: Coaches and managers must be familiar with the BBCS Emergency and Critical Incident Handbook to ensure the safety and well-being of all participants.

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We have read and understand the content of the “BBCSS Sports Team” Policy, and as a BBCSS Sports Team, we commit to following BBCSS Expectations and Policies.

Coach Signature: _____ Date: _____

Team Manager Signature: : _____ Date: _____

Attached to this application:

- ☐ Team Budget
- ☐ Financial Support Request *Per Student*

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Student Athlete Check-In



Team: _____

Name: _____

Trip: _____

Date: _____

BBCSS requires its students who are active on sports teams to be excellent ambassadors for our school and role models for our younger students. Being a “Team Player” extends beyond the field or court and into the classroom. Great athletes bring their passion, work ethic, and drive to excel into each classroom.

To ensure these standards are met, information on each player will be provided to the coach and manager.

Course	Academic Standing	Work Habits	Attendance	Respect, Responsibility & Relationships
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
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7.				

Academic Standing: Proficiency Scale or Percentage

Work-habits: Needs Improvement; Satisfactory; Good; Excellents

Attendance: Needs Improvement; Satisfactory; Good; Excellent

Respect, Responsibility & Relationships: Needs Improvement; Satisfactory; Good; Excellent

Recommendation:

☐ Participate ☐ Homework Club ☐ Not Participate ☐ Other: _____