

KidSport™ Kitimat

History

KidSport™ was founded in 1993 in Vancouver, BC, with the goal of giving children the opportunity to participate in sports regardless of financial barriers. KidSport™ Canada was incorporated in 2005 and now includes provincial chapters across the country. KidSport™ Kitimat is one of 42 chapters in BC, working to ensure no child is left on the sidelines.

With the creation of KidSport™ Kitimat, all funds raised locally remain in the community, helping children of local families access sport opportunities.

Mission Statement

We believe that no kid should be left on the sidelines and all should be given the opportunity to experience positive benefits of organized sports. KidSport Kitimat provides support to children by removing financial barriers that prevent them from playing organized sport.

Benefits to the Community

KidSport™ Kitimat believes in the value of organized sports and recognizes that participation allows children to:

- Become physically active
- Improve academic performance
- Share and celebrate their culture
- Build self-esteem
- Develop life-long skills
- Make new friends



About Us

KidSport™ Kitimat is not-for profit organization that provides financial assistance for sport registration fees to children and youth aged 18 and under. Through a confidential application process, we offer grants that allow kids to participate in a season of sport.

Application Information

Applications must be submitted before or during the sport season being requested. The sport must be led by a qualified coach and affiliated with Sport BC. Camps, equipment, and travel costs are not eligible. Funding priority is given to children who are new to organized sport.

Online Applications available at KidSport.ca



Our Proud Partners:



JOE IANNARELLI EQUIPMENT LEGACY FUND

KidSport Kitimat offers financial support to help cover sport registration fees for children aged 18 and under. Since access to proper sporting equipment can also be a barrier to participation, the Joe Iannarelli Equipment Legacy Fund enables KidSport Kitimat to further reduce this obstacle by providing financial assistance for equipment costs.

Access to sport for the young was always the goal for the late Joe Iannarelli through his work in Recreation, and from the sideline.

The fund provides up to \$100 to help cover the cost of sports equipment. It is intended to supplement support for children and youth who are enrolled in an organized sport or an approved recreation program.

Application Information

The Joe Iannarelli Equipment Legacy Fund Application Form is available at kitimat.ca (Recreation and Leisure / Leisure Access Funding Program / Joe Iannarelli Equipment Legacy Fund). Completed application forms can be emailed to cheri.demelo@kitimat.ca or dropped off to Riverlodge (654 W Columbia Ave.)

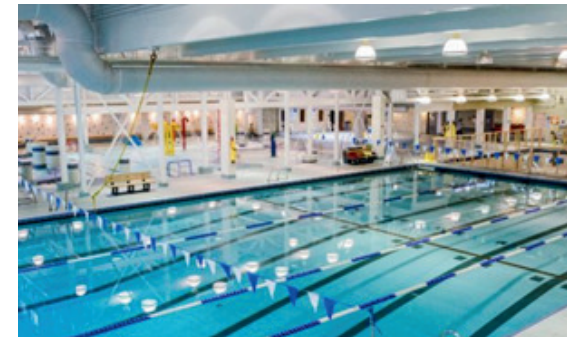
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250-632-8970



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FINANCIAL ACCOMMODATION

ACCESS TO RECREATION PROGRAMS

This policy aims to give individuals and families in our community experiencing financial challenges the opportunity to access and participate in recreation programs.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Applicants must be residents of Kitimat or Haisla. Children in foster care are eligible regardless of family income.

Post secondary students are not eligible.

WHAT YOU NEED TO APPLY:

Documentation showing that you/your family meets the "Low Income Cut-Off Levels" set by Statistics Canada. Use the chart below and refer to line 15000 on last year's tax return

Family Size	Combined Gross Household Income
1	35,000
2	45,000
3	54,000
4	65,250
5	74,000
6	83,500
7 or more	93,000 (+ additional \$10,000 for each additional person)

Documentation confirming your income comes only from Employment Insurance or Disability Insurance

Information received is treated as confidential.

Adult Hockey Discount

50% Discount on ice fees for individuals receiving employment insurance at the time of registration for adult hockey league. Post secondary students are not eligible.

Swim Lesson Registration

Persons on Leisure Access can register for swim lesson for \$20.

Christmas/Spring Break/Summer Programs

Persons on Leisure Access can register on a payment plan. Full payment is required the Friday before the programs begins.

HOW OFTEN DO I NEED TO APPLY?

Each program participant will receive an ID Card, which remains valid until June 1 of each year. To continue in the program, participants must submit updated documentation to the Leisure Services Programmer to confirm eligibility for the following year. To apply, call **250-632-8970**

WHAT CAN I APPLY FOR?:

- Up to 50% off any recreation program offered exclusively by the District of Kitimat Leisure Services Department (including fitness classes, general programs, workshops). *Material Costs are not included.*
- Up to 50% off regular price of memberships that provide access to public sessions such as swimming, skating, open gym and weight room.
- 75% off a regular drop in admission or purchase of 12 economy tickets.

Each person in the program also receives 3 free drop-ins valid for public swimming, open gym, public skating or weight room access.

PERSONS WITH PHYSICAL &/OR COGNITIVE DISABILITIES

Person with Disability: a person who is unable to use the facilities without direct and/or assisted supervision.

Assistant to a Person with Disability: a person who is assisting someone who is unable to use the facilities without direct and/or assisted supervision.

Physio Swim

Citizens with permanent or temporary disabilities may contact the Physiotherapy Department at Kitimat General Hospital for a Physio Swim referral. Referred individuals receive 10 free passes per year to the Physio Swim at the Sam Lindsay Aquatic Centre, with recommended times Monday to Friday from 11:30am -1pm.

Physio Access

Citizens referred by the Physiotherapy Department at Kitimat General Hospital for pre-habilitation, post surgery support, or general conditioning/exercise may receive one 10-pass Physio Access card per year for the Riverlodge Weight/Cardio Rooms and/or the Tamitik Fitness Area. They may also bring a Physiotherapy Department staff member to assist with equipment use at no charge.

Living Well Program

Eligible clients receive 10 complimentary drop-in-sessions **or** a one-time 50% discount on a 3 month membership,. They may also register for up to two activity-based programs at 50% off during Fall and Winter seasons. Active Living Well Program clients can contact program staff at 250-632-8313 on Wednesdays from 8am - 12pm and Thursdays from 8am - 4pm.

Public Program Access

It is recognized that a person with a disability may require an able-bodied companion to ensure a safe and enjoyable program experience.

Person with a Disability:
Eligible for memberships at 50% off or regular admission at 75% off.

Assistant/Parent/Caregiver/Therapist:
Receives free facility access while supporting a person with disability.

Renting Recreation Facilities for Exclusive Use

Fees for exclusive use by persons with disabilities are based on current public drop-in-rates, including discount tickets. Able-bodied individuals assisting participants with disabilities may join at no charge. A minimum of 5 participants are required for the program to run. The program is intended primarily with persons with disabilities, and facility supervisors will monitor use to ensure this purpose is maintained. Exclusive use times must align with facility operating hours and be convenient for both staff and participants, ensuring no additional cost to taxpayers.

