

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Register for spring programs with Parks, Recreation and Culture

### Summary

The City of Nanaimo Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture is offering recreation programs this upcoming spring season. Registration begins on Wednesday, March 3.

Programs available will be found in the same format as the fall and winter seasons. The Spring and Summer Activity Guide was not produced this year, but residents can look for program offerings in the following ways:

- View an online PDF or Flipping Book version of the Spring Activity Guide
- Pick up a hard copy of our program guide at Bowen Park, Beban Park Social Centre, Oliver Woods
   Community Centre and Nanaimo Aquatic Centre from our Facility Ambassadors starting on Monday, March 1
   (for those that don't have online access)
- Visit recreation.nanaimo.ca and choose "Register for a Program" to search programs by various categories and key words (for the best experience, please choose Chrome as the browser)

Register online through recreation.nanaimo.ca (accounts should be set up in advance of registration date), by telephone at 250-756-5200 or in-person at Bowen Complex, Oliver Woods Community Centre and Nanaimo Aquatic Centre. With limited capacity to have people gathered due to Provincial Health Orders, the City is encouraging residents to use the online platform as much as possible. If coming in or calling is an only option, the City is asking for everyone to be kind and patient as requests are processed.

The City is aware and is adjusting to updated Provincial Health Guidelines and will continue to monitor and action any required changes. Participants will be contacted through email or phone if there are any cancellations or modifications to their registered programs.

Strategic Link: The City of Nanaimo is offering programs that improve the health, wellness and livability of its citizens in our community.

# **Key Points**

- Registration for spring programs will begin on Wednesday, March 3, 2021.
- The City is encouraging citizens to use the online registration process as much as possible as a way to limit the number of people in facilities.
- Programs will continue follow COVID-19 protocols, including size limits for gatherings and expect participants
  to wear masks (except young children 12 and under and those with a medical condition or disability). Should
  further Provincial Health Orders require program changes, the City will follow up directly with those affected
  through email or telephone.

### **Quotes**

"If anything, this pandemic has shown us how important being active is for both physical and emotional health. We have a variety of programming options available for all ages and look forward to helping you and your family have a safe and active spring season. All of our programs follow the latest Provincial Health protocols to keep everyone safe and healthy while participating."

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