

Team BC 2020 Supporters

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TEAM BC 2020

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS
BRITISH COLUMBIA**



Team BC invites families and friends to join us on our journey to the Special Olympics Canada Winter Games Thunder Bay 2020!

We are excited to have Team BC 2020 families, friends, and fans to be our supporters cheering us on, either at the Special Olympics Canada Games or from beyond! There are some exciting plans in the works for our Families & Fans, so please stay tuned for updates in the monthly newsletters (starting September 2019) and on our website:

www.soteambc2020.ca

Some of the events that are being planned will have deadlines, so please don't delay and sign up early for these events! All the information to sign up for any of the events will be done online, so please follow the links that are provided to get registered.

ALL PART OF THE TEAM

As all of you can appreciate, it takes a lot of people to support the athletes of Team BC and make them successful. Families and friends are part of the front-line team along with the Training Coaches, supporting the athletes in the time leading up to the Games. Families and friends support the athlete in packing, getting them to events, and moral support. The Training Coaches work with the provincial team coaches to ensure that the athlete's training is on track, helping ensure they are at their very best when it's time to depart for Thunder Bay. Special Olympics BC and the coaching and mission staff of Team BC understand that without this group, their job would be impossible. HUGE thanks to all of you for supporting the athletes.

Once the athletes depart for the National Games, Team BC coaches take over and your job is to watch (whether it be in the stands or on the SOBC website) and cheer on the athletes (a very important role) as they do their best to achieve the goals they have set! It is important that the athletes understand the roles of each group as it can be very confusing for them if the lines start to blur while at Games.

If you have any questions about the roles, don't hesitate to contact Team BC Chef de Mission Michelle Cruickshank at mcruickshank@specialolympics.bc.ca

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEAM BC SUPPORTER MERCHANDISE

Team BC traditionally offers an array of items for Families & Fans to purchase and wear in support of our athletes. These items are great to wear to events such as the Games Opening and Closing Ceremonies and the supporters' festivities hosted by the Games Organizing Committee, in order to celebrate Team BC.

Once these items are available for purchase, the order form will be available on the Families & Fans page of the Special Olympics Team BC website: www.soteambc2020.ca

Pictures of the items will be displayed online along with the choice of sizes.

For reference, for those of you who are new to this process: The athletes will receive all of their official Team BC gear free of charge, so these items will be available for you purchase for yourselves and share in their excitement!

GO TEAM BC 👉

GAMES SUPPORTER REGISTRATION

The 2020 Special Olympics Canada Games Organizing Committee would like you to register so that you can get Friends & Family accreditation, information on tickets for ceremonies, and much more. Register today by visiting their website and clicking Friends & Family link!

www.specialolympics2020.com

ACCOMMODATIONS

The 2020 Special Olympics Canada Games Organizing Committee has some accommodations info on their website. If you plan on attending the Games, **it is recommended to reserve your rooms ASAP!** There will be many supporters from all provinces, so please don't leave it to the last minute. It will be too cold to camp in February 😊

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We want to be sure that these newsletters provide you with the information you need to have a great Games experience. Please don't hesitate to contact our Mission Staff members Steve Oliver at soliver2@telus.net or Jason Yan at region6sobc@gmail.com with your questions; we will make sure to seek out & share the answers!

Next Newsletter: Watch for information on the Team BC medical processes and the Maximum Performance Rule (MPR)!