



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What is SOCCER IN SCHOOLS?

Soccer in Schools ensures greater inclusion in sports and serves the community as a whole. The program allows Canada Soccer to reach a wider audience through the public school system, providing opportunities to kids who may not have the means to participate in organised sports.

The Soccer in Schools project provides teachers with enhanced tools and education to deliver an outstanding in-school soccer experience for everyone involved. By connecting a soccer organisation to their local public schools, we increase the ability for participant engagement and the opportunity to experience organised play in their community.

Our initial partners in the project are Saskatchewan Soccer, Ontario Soccer, community clubs and schools in those provinces. In April 2024, the grant was expanded to BC Soccer. Future goal is to expand the grant across the country in subsequent years.

### Who can apply to receive a SOCCER IN SCHOOLS Grant?

Any organisation that is a member (in good standing) of BC Soccer is eligible to apply for a grant. *Note: Saskatchewan Soccer and Ontario Soccer application window is now closed*

Eligible organisations must be a Canada Soccer Club Licence holder or planning to obtain their Club Licence in 2024.

### When will clubs hear back on the status of their application?

BC Soccer Clubs will hear back about their application by 3 May 2024.

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### How much is each grant?

Grants are a minimum of \$4000.00 CAN per approved application.

### Can applications only be submitted online?

Yes, however, if you require support to complete the application or have any additional questions or concerns about the application process, please email us at [community@canadasoccer.com](mailto:community@canadasoccer.com).

### Are there specific requirements on how my grant must be used?



Yes, as part of the funding, clubs are required to:

- Partner with a minimum of five schools, prioritising schools in lower-income neighbourhoods or those with a higher percentage of new-to-Canada students
- Provide an equipment package to each participating school
- Support each participating school in accessing both the educator training and video curriculum to be implemented in September/October.
- Support the evaluation process to measure the success of the program.
- Host an open house for five partner schools.

## **How are grants distributed?**

Selected clubs will receive their grant in a single payment after their application has been approved.

### **For More Information**

**If you have read the FAQ and have further questions, please contact Elizabeth McCaw at [emccaw@canadasoccer.com](mailto:emccaw@canadasoccer.com)**