

2025 BC Secondary School Table Tennis Championships Prospectus

1. Competition Dates February 28th – March 1st, 2025

2. Host School & Venue Lord Byng Secondary (3939 West 16th Avenue, Vancouver BC, V6R 3C9)

3. Championship Committee

Competition Director – Frank Liao Referee – TBA	Control Desk & Operations – Anson Lam Support Staff – TBD	Media – Sofia Li Administrator – TBA
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4. Events a) Boys' Team b) Boys' Singles c) Girls' Team d) Girls' Singles
e) Boys' Doubles f) Girls' Doubles g) Mixed Doubles

5. Eligibility

All students in grades 8 through 12 that are enrolled in a BC Secondary or Middle School program may participate. Middle School students may not represent the Secondary School that they will be attending in the future. Student-athletes MUST be born in the year 2006 or later (Under 19 years of age as of Dec. 31, 2024) and be in no more than their fifth year of eligibility.

6. Format of Play

a) Team Events

Each school may only enter a maximum of 2 teams per event (i.e. 2 Boys' teams and 2 Girls' teams). The maximum number of players per team is 5 players, while the minimum is 3 players. Preliminary round robin groups may precede the 2nd phase which will determine all the positions in the bracket. All teams will be entered into the same draw, and a progressive knockout will be played until every team will finish with a final overall position. The final format will be based on the number of teams entered. The combined Canadian rating of the top 3 players will determine a teams' pre-tournament ranking. For unrated teams, the tournament committee will seed the teams based on city championship placements, the 2024 Championship placements, and by committee discretion.

Each team contest will be played under the following format:

A vs X
B vs Y
C vs Z
A vs Y
Doubles B & C vs X & Z Doubles

All individual matches in a team match will be played in a best-of-3 format, until the championship semifinals, where it will be best-of-5. All medal matches will be best-of-5. All lower bracket & placement matches will be best-of-3.

b) Doubles Events

Each pair must consist of players from the same school. Depending on the number of entries, the top 2, 4 or 8 pairs will be seeded directly into the main draw. All other pairs registered will play in a preliminary stage of round robin groups to qualify to the main draw stage. The main draw will be single elimination knockout. Seeding will be determined using the combined rating of the players using the latest available Canadian Rankings or through committee discretion. Individual match format will be decided once the final number of entries is confirmed.

c) Singles Events

The Singles Events may have the top 4, 8 or 16 players seeded directly into the main draw. Unseeded players will have to play in a preliminary stage of round robin groups or qualification matches to qualify into the main draw. The main draw will be single elimination knockout. Seeding will be determined using the latest available Canadian Rankings or through committee discretion. Qualifiers will be drawn randomly into the main draw. Individual match format will be decided once the final number of entries is confirmed.

7. Preliminary Schedule:

Friday February 28 th	- 8:00 AM: Doors Open - 8:45 AM: Coaches/Delegates Meeting - 9:00 AM: Opening Ceremony Team Events: - 9:15 AM: Preliminary Rounds - 12:30 PM: Progressive Knockouts Boys & Girls Doubles Events: - 4:30 PM: Preliminary Rounds - 5:30 PM: Single Elimination Knockouts
Saturday March 1 st	- 8:00 AM: Doors Open - 8:45 AM: Coaches/Delegates Meeting Individual Events: - 9:00 AM: Boys Singles Preliminary Rounds - 10:00 AM: Girls Singles Preliminary Rounds - 10:45 AM: Mixed Doubles Preliminary Rounds - 12:30 PM: Single Elimination Knockouts Team Events: - 4:30 PM: Team Finals

All times are approximate

8. School Delegates Meetings

The location of the delegates meeting will be provided on the morning of the Championships. The delegates meeting will start at 8:45 am on Friday & Saturday, and school check-ins will take place at the meeting.

9. Draws

The preliminary draws will be released on the Championship website and on our Discord server (see below) on the morning of Thursday February 27th, 2025. The tournament committee reserves the right to give an estimate ranking to an unranked player and reorganize the seeding list to have a balanced draw.

10. Equipment

Tables, nets, scoring equipment and court barriers used during the tournament are provided by the British Columbia Table Tennis Association. The Championship Committee requests that all participants take great care when using the equipment.

Tables: BUTTERFLY Europa 25 or Octa 25

Balls: DHS DJ40+

Floor: Gym Hardwood

11. Awards

In the Team Events, the Champions, Runner Ups, and Third Place teams will each receive 5 medals for the players and 1 medal for the coach. The Boys' team champion will be awarded the Calveley Cup and the Girls' team champion will be awarded the Madhosingh Cup. Schools will retain the cup for one year. It will be the championship schools' responsibility to add their winner's plaque to the respective Cups.

In the singles and doubles events, the Champions, Finalists, and two Semi-Finalists will receive medals.

The Phyllis Rapanakis Fair Play Award will be presented to a player that exemplifies fair play, sportsmanship, and enthusiasm for table tennis. This award will be voted by school delegations, with the final decision made by the Championship Committee.

12. Supervision

The Championship Committee requests that each school **MUST HAVE** an adult-in-charge present at the tournament supervising the students **AT ALL TIMES**. It is the school's responsibility to ensure that the adult supervisor is qualified and in accordance with their school and school districts' policy. **Any athlete that does not have a supervisor at any time during the tournament may be disqualified from play, or not allowed to play until a supervisor arrives.**

13. Regulation Rules and Standards

The Championships will be played under the latest ITTF Laws and Regulations and only Authorized Racket Coverings (Rubbers) can be used on rackets. All TTCAN and ITTF regulations will be followed where applicable. The Tournament Referee and the BCSSTTC Competition Director will apply and interpret the rules in case of any doubts.

Any cases of misconduct (verbal or physical) from players to each other, or a spectating adult (includes coaches, parents, teachers, etc.) towards competitors, will result in a rule where there will be one warning after one occurrence. If the negative behavior continues after the warning, the offending party may be disqualified or removed from the field of play.

14. Clothing Rules and Standards

Players must wear short sleeve shirts and shorts/skirts. **The colour of the clothing must not be white in colour.** Playing shoes must be non-marking. **During the team matches, players MUST wear identical or similar coloured shirts with school representation. During doubles matches, players MUST wear identical or similar coloured shirts with school representation.** Special permission to modify the clothing restrictions must be written and submitted to the Referee prior to the start of the Championship.

The prospectus should be read thoroughly prior to signing the online entry and waiver form.

15. Entries Deadline & Fees

The registration deadline for the Championships is **Friday, February 21st, 2025, at 5PM PST**. All **entry forms** are to be submitted **online** at <https://form.jotform.com/bcssttc/2025championships>. **Fees** can be submitted either by cheque or e-transfer.

If submitting fees by cheque, please make cheques payable to **BCSSTTC** with the memo line **"2025 Prov. Table Tennis Finals"**, and they are to be sent to **Anson Lam** at:

PO BOX 32593 RICHMOND RPO ABERDEEN CENTRE BC V6X 3S1

Please do not send cash by mail. Alternatively, cheques may also be brought directly to the Championships and submitted in-person.

If submitting fees by e-transfer, please e-transfer your entry fee to **bcssttc@gmail.com** with the note "2025 Provincials", along with your name & school.

16. Championship Fees

The fees for this tournament are as follows:

Team Events.....\$100 per team Singles Events.....\$20 per player Doubles Events.....\$30 per pair

17. Website & Contacts

All information can be found on the official tournament website: <https://www.bcssttc.ca>. We also encourage all teachers and students to follow us on [Instagram](#) or join our [Discord](#) to receive up to date information and be able to communicate directly with us. Please send any questions or feedback to the BCSSTTC organizing committee at bcssttc@gmail.com.