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Important dates

December 18, 2026	Deadline to submit delegation registration and accommodation preferences.
January 12, 2027	Accommodation assignments announced.
January 18, 2027	Reservations open at the three partner hotels for delegations assigned to hotel accommodation.
March 19, 2027	Deadline to reserve hotel rooms.
April 3, 2027	Deadline for delegation heads to submit the List of Participants through their online account.
April 19, 2027	Deadline to submit rooming lists to the hotels.
April 28, 2027	Online meeting for English-speaking coaches at 4 p.m. The meeting link will be sent in advance.
May 12, 2027	Deadline to confirm registrations and finalize billing. After this date, reserved rooms and meals will be billed even for participants who do not attend. Deadline to order Wednesday evening meals.
May 19, 2027	Delegations arrive.
May 20–23, 2027	2027 FNEC Inter-school Games.
June 24, 2027	Payment deadline for the 2027 Inter-school Games fees.

What's new in 2027

1. **New fee structure.** Starting in 2027, registration fees will vary according to the accommodation assigned. Fees will be higher for delegations staying in Université Laval residences, where accommodation is included, and lower for those staying in hotels, which charge delegations directly for their rooms. The aim is to make the total cost per person, including registration and accommodation, as comparable as possible regardless of the assigned location. Delegations should therefore compare the total cost, rather than registration fees alone. Details are provided in the Accommodation and Registration fees sections.
2. **Simpler online registration.** A new online registration process makes it easier for parents, coaches and chaperones to register. Parents complete the version of the form intended for their child; coaches and chaperones each complete their own version. Instructions are emailed to delegation heads. They manage individual registration on their own schedule and must submit the List of Participants to us through their online account by April 3, 2027. The old paper PDF forms must no longer be used.
3. **Hammer throw demonstration and introductory activity.** Young people will have a chance to discover this discipline through a demonstration and a beginner activity, introducing them to a new track and field event.

Introduction

We are pleased to present the Delegation Guide for the 19th edition of the First Nations Education Council (FNEC) Inter-school Games.

This guide contains the key information you will need to take part in this annual sporting event.

If you have any questions, please contact David Gill, Games Coordinator, by email at dgill@cepn-fnec.com or by phone at 418-842-7672.

The FNEC Inter-school Games

Established in 2008, the FNEC Inter-school Games bring together hundreds of students aged 10 to 18 and their chaperones at the end of each school year. This friendly competition gives young people a chance to test their skills in track and field, floor hockey, basketball, volleyball and obstacle racing.

Along with encouraging students to stay in school, the event promotes school attendance and healthy habits, including physical activity and good nutrition.

Since the Games began, organizers have seen steady growth in the number of school sports teams. The young athletes' high level of preparation reflects their sustained efforts throughout the school year. Staff and participants agree that this event meets an important need in First Nations communities!

Eligibility criteria

Age and grade level:

- The FNEC Inter-school Games are open only to students from Elementary Cycle Three through Secondary V (Grades 5–11) who are aged 10 to 18 as of May 20, 2027.
- Students enrolled in CEGEP or an adult education centre are not eligible, even if they are 18 or younger.

Note:

Any team that violates this rule will be disqualified and will forfeit every game in which the ineligible athlete played.

The FNEC Inter-school Games are open to First Nations youth from:

- FNEC member communities with schools;
- FNEC member communities without schools;
- FNEC member communities whose schools do not offer all grade levels. *(Young people attending an elementary or secondary school outside their community may take part in the FNEC Inter-school Games, but must obtain approval from their community's FNEC representative before registering.)*
- Non-member communities wishing to have their schools participate. *(If registration numbers must be limited, students from FNEC member communities will have priority.)*

Registration approval

Registration for the FNEC Inter-school Games must be approved as follows:

FNEC member communities with schools

All registration requests must be approved by the community's FNEC representative before being officially submitted.

Member communities without schools or whose schools do not offer all grade levels

Students wishing to participate in the Inter-school Games must be members of the community, and their registration must be approved by the community's FNEC representative. They will then automatically be registered under their band council's name.

Non-member communities

Non-member communities wishing to participate in the Inter-school Games must have their registration approved by their band council chief.

Delegation leaders, chaperones and coaches

One chaperone is required for every six young people.

Delegation leaders, chaperones and coaches have an ongoing duty to supervise the participants in their care, exercise caution and ensure their safety, 24 hours a day.

Delegation leaders, chaperones and coaches must each complete their own version of the online registration form according to the instructions provided by their delegation head. Instructions are emailed to delegation heads.

Delegation leaders, chaperones and coaches must provide their cell phone number so that we can reach them during competitions and at any time throughout the event.

Chaperones who wish to do so will have an opportunity to take part in the trail run.

Chaperones taking part in competitions must ensure that supervision of their young people is not compromised.

Accommodation

We can no longer guarantee where each delegation will be accommodated. Delegations are asked to indicate their accommodation preference when registering. If demand for a location exceeds its capacity, available spaces will be assigned by a random draw. Starting in 2027, we are working to adjust registration fees according to the accommodation assigned so that the total cost of attending the Games, including registration and accommodation, is comparable for everyone.

Université Laval residences

- Accommodation assignments will be announced no later than the week of January 12, 2027.
- All rooms will be double occupancy, without exception.
- When submitting your rooming list, please let us know if you require an extra room to store equipment or food, or to hold meetings.

Hotel accommodation

Delegations assigned to hotel accommodation will have access to reserved room blocks at three partner hotels near campus: Hôtel Universel Québec, Hôtel Classique and Hôtel Travelodge Québec.

- Delegations planning to arrange their own accommodation must indicate this when registering their delegation.
- Hotel reservations open on January 18, 2027.

Hôtel Universel Québec

- Within walking distance of Université Laval.
- A block of 72 rooms with two beds and 3 rooms with one bed, reserved at a rate of $199 plus taxes per night.
- Delegations are responsible for all accommodation costs.
- Reservations must be made by the delegation head by emailing the Director of Sales, Mr. Noé Dumont, at ndumont@groupejgs.com, starting January 18, 2027.
- Rooming lists identifying the occupants of each room must be sent to coordo@groupejgs.com by April 19, 2027.

Hôtel Classique

- Located 1.5 kilometres from Université Laval.
- A block of 60 rooms with two queen beds (quadruple occupancy), at a rate of $199 plus taxes per night.
- Delegations are responsible for all accommodation costs.
- Reservations must be made by the delegation head by emailing lneveu@hotelclassique.com, starting January 18, 2027.
- Rooming lists identifying the occupants of each room must be sent to lneveu@hotelclassique.com by April 19, 2027.
- Unreserved rooms will be released on April 27, 2027.
- Please note: Delegations staying at Hôtel Classique must arrange their own daily transportation between the hotel and the university campus.

Hôtel Travelodge Québec

- Located at 3125, boulevard Hochelaga, Québec City.
- A block of 40 rooms with two queen beds (up to four people per room), at a flat rate of $181.33 plus taxes per night.
- Delegations are responsible for all accommodation costs.
- Reservations must be made by the delegation head by emailing rmoise@travelodgeqc.com, starting January 18, 2027.
- Rooming lists identifying the occupants of each room must be sent to rmoise@travelodgeqc.com by April 19, 2027, along with billing information, approximate arrival and departure times, and mode of transportation.
- Unreserved rooms will be released on April 19, 2027.
- All changes or cancellations must be addressed directly to Rudma Moise.
- Please note: Delegations staying at Hôtel Travelodge Québec must arrange their own daily transportation between the hotel and the university campus.

Meals

Eleven meals will be provided during the event, from Thursday morning breakfast through Sunday lunch.

The meal arrangements for 2027, including food trucks and healthy options, are still being confirmed. Meals are expected to be served under a tent near the PEPS at Université Laval. Wednesday evening meal: Delegations may reserve a meal for their arrival. The order deadline is May 12, 2027. Ordering instructions and the price per meal will be announced later.

Transportation for delegations staying off campus

If your delegation is not staying in Université Laval residences, you are responsible for transporting your young people from your accommodation (Hôtel Classique or elsewhere) to Université Laval each morning of the Games, and back at the end of each day.

If this presents a problem, please let us know so that we can help you find a solution.

Registration fees — new fee structure for 2027

Registration fees include participation in the FNEC Inter-school Games, meals at Université Laval and, where applicable, accommodation in Université Laval residences. The new fee structure has been adopted for the 2027 Games.

FNEC member communities

- **$310 per participant, delegation leader, chaperone or coach staying in Université Laval residences or not requiring accommodation;**
- **$126 per participant, delegation leader, chaperone or coach staying in a hotel or in self-arranged accommodation (accommodation costs are paid by the delegation).**

Non-member communities — $100 surcharge per participant

- **$226 per participant staying in a hotel or in self-arranged accommodation ($126 plus a $100 surcharge), plus accommodation costs paid by the delegation.**

Registration fees vary according to the accommodation assigned, with the aim of keeping the combined cost of registration and accommodation comparable. Delegations pay hotel costs separately, based on the hotel's rate and room occupancy. A $100 surcharge per participant applies to non-member communities.

Delegations staying in hotels, whether from FNEC member communities or not, must make their own reservations and cover their own accommodation costs.

Team sports

Participants in the FNEC Inter-school Games may take part in two team sports, regardless of their age category. Participation is no longer limited to one team sport.

Age categories

Ages 10–12 Ages 13–15 Ages 16–18

Team sports

Basketball	Volleyball	Floor hockey
All age categories (boys, girls and mixed)	**All age categories** (boys, girls and mixed)	**All age categories** (boys and mixed)

Team registration information

- The 10–12 age category plays mini-volleyball to encourage longer rallies and enjoyment of the game:
    - Games are played four against four.
    - Games are played on a badminton court with a two-metre-high net.
    - The second contact is caught and thrown in one continuous motion.
    - Teams must make three contacts before sending the ball over the net.
    - There are no gender categories. Boys and girls may compete against one another.

  This change applies only to the 10–12 age category. Other age categories play regular volleyball. For more information on mini-volleyball, click here.

- A player may take part in a maximum of two team sports. However, this will inevitably cause some scheduling conflicts. The minimum number of eligible players must be met for every

game, so teams must plan for additional players to cover each athlete competing in more than one sport.

- We understand that your team roster may change before the event. However, you must ensure that no change or addition affects the age category in which the team is registered. Such changes affect staffing needs for officials, competition schedules, and the translation, revision and printing of documents, among other things.

- A team may field only one player who is one year older than its age category, for example, a 13-year-old in the 10–12 category.

- Although registration numbers are beyond our control, we would ideally like at least three teams in each age category of a sport to provide a more engaging competition. If a category has only one or two teams, we will contact the registered communities to agree on a solution.

Track and field

Participants in the FNEC Inter-school Games may enter as many of the offered track and field events as they wish.

The 10–12 age category is the only one divided into three separate categories, based on age as of May 20, 2027. This allows 10-, 11- and 12-year-olds to compete against young people at a more similar stage of physical development. Each age group will have its own podium.

Age categories				
Age 10	Age 11	Age 12	Ages 13–15	Ages 16–18

Events	
	All age categories (boys and girls)
Individual events	**100 m (1)** **200 m (1)** **800 m (ages 10–12 and 13–15 only) (1)** **1200 m (ages 16–18 only) (1)** **Long jump** **Shot put** **Javelin throw** **Trail run (2, 4 or 6 km, depending on age category)**
Team event	**4 × 100 m relay (2)**

(1) We strongly recommend entering no more than two of the three individual running events on the program.

(2) Each school may register a maximum of two teams of the same gender and age category in the 4 × 100 m relay.

Obstacle race (Défi des ancêtres)

An adapted version of the Défi des ancêtres will be offered as an event at the Inter-school Games. It will use an elimination format, with fewer participants advancing as the competition progresses.

Age categories

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All age categories (boys and girls)	
Days 1 and 2 (time slots to be determined)	**Qualifying round** (Participants may arrive at any time and have up to two attempts to achieve their fastest possible time.)
Day 3	**Final** (The top five participants in each category from the qualifying round are invited to the final.)

Code of conduct during the Inter-school Games

RESPECT

- No form of violence, bullying or vandalism will be tolerated.
- Courteous and appropriate language must be used at all times.
- FNEC employees, officials, community delegation leaders, chaperones, coaches and participants must treat one another with respect.

KEEPING FACILITIES CLEAN

- Keep all areas clean at all times, including the PEPS, residences and Université Laval campus.
- Delegation leaders, chaperones and coaches must remind their participants to put waste in garbage bins after snacks and meals.
- We ask for your cooperation in keeping all areas clean throughout the FNEC Inter-school Games.

ACCOMMODATION

- Curfew is 10:00 p.m., except on Saturday, when it is 10:30 p.m.
- Security guards will be present on the Université Laval campus day and night to ensure everyone's safety and well-being. Their instructions must be followed.

DELEGATION LEADERS, CHAPERONES AND COACHES

- Each community's delegation leaders, chaperones and coaches are responsible for ensuring that all members of their delegation behave appropriately and cause no disturbances on or off the Université Laval campus.

- Delegation leaders, chaperones and coaches have an ongoing duty to supervise the participants in their care, exercise caution and ensure their safety, 24 hours a day.

SMOKING, VAPING, ALCOHOL, DRUGS, FOOD AND DRINKS

- Smoking and vaping are strictly prohibited in the PEPS and residences.
- Alcohol and drug use are prohibited at all times. Anyone who breaks this rule will be expelled immediately and permanently banned from the Inter-school Games, including future editions.
- Energy drinks are not permitted.
- Eating and drinking are prohibited in sports activity areas.

BORROWING PEPS AND FNEC EQUIPMENT

- Sports equipment is available for you to borrow.
- To borrow equipment, you must complete a loan form at the information office.
- You are responsible for returning equipment after each use. Any equipment not returned will be billed to you at its estimated value.

SECURITY

- Université Laval is responsible for overnight security in the residences and at the PEPS. The FNEC Inter-school Games also have a security coordinator. If an incident or problem occurs, you will be referred to this person, who will review the situation with you before making a final decision together with the project officer responsible for the FNEC Inter-school Games.

IMPORTANT

Communities agree to take full responsibility for the actions and behaviour of every member of their delegation and to reimburse any costs arising from incidents.

Depending on the seriousness of the incident, the community concerned may face a penalty and a one-year suspension from the Inter-school Games.

Cancellation policy

The deadline to make changes to your participant list is May 12, 2027.

After this date, your invoice will be final: participants will still be billed even if they do not attend.

Any full cancellation after this date will result in all costs incurred being billed, including meals and accommodation. We will make every effort to have as many supplier charges cancelled as possible, but cannot guarantee that this will be possible.

If you are staying anywhere other than Université Laval residences, your accommodation contract takes precedence and you must comply with its terms. The FNEC accepts no responsibility for cancellation fees charged by these establishments.

Please respect the deadlines and avoid last-minute changes, as these can have a significant impact on event planning, including competition schedules, recruitment of officials and document printing.

Health insurance card

Participants, delegation leaders, chaperones and coaches must carry their health insurance card during the FNEC Inter-school Games:

1. In case of an incident;
2. As proof of age if requested, for example by an opposing team.