

Strait Regional Centre for Education
Community Use Guidelines

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Introduction

The world is experiencing a Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The goal of this Strait Regional Centre for Education Pandemic Preparedness Plan is to ensure clear communication and effective problem solving. This document is intended to provide guidance surrounding community use of facilities.

The SRCE's main priority is the health and safety of students and staff.

This document is to support the Nova Scotia's Back to School Plan published on the Government of Nova Scotia's Coronavirus webpage, <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/education/>, and the Restrictions and Guidance published at the following url: <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/restrictions-and-guidance/> .

Guidance for Use

Scope

The Strait Regional Centre for Education will be providing access to gymnasiums and gradually broadening booking availability as resources permit including time slots and facilities included in scope.

Limitations on Use

- Community users must meet all appropriate requirements as outlined in provincial Health Protection Act Orders and by the Government of Nova Scotia including gathering limits.
- Users are also subject to the Back to School Plan which limits non-essential people from entering the facility. This includes players/participants, officials, coaches, instructors or anyone else who is required to be on or near the field of play.
- No spectators are permitted in the facility.
- If, for any reason, janitorial support is unavailable during a booking, the booking may be cancelled. Organizers will be informed by the booking agency.

Entrance to the Building

- No individuals will be permitted to enter the facility if they are displaying symptoms or have been exposed to COVID 19 as defined on the provincial 811 website.
- Organizers of events are responsible to ensure a log of entrants is maintained and available on request.
- The entry log is to remain at the school.
- Users will need to book the facility in advance by calling the authorized booking agency for the school. Drop-in appointments are not permitted.
- Users will prepare a list of the expected attendees prior to booking.
- Each school will have designated entry points and users must walk directly to and from the gymnasium. They are not permitted to travel freely in the building
- Masks must be worn unless expressly permitted as an exception in the Nova Scotia Sport guidelines.
- Users must use sanitizer on entry and register with the booking coordinator on arrival
- Users must observe relevant signage and floor markings, observe proper cough etiquette and wear face masks in hallways and common areas.

Equipment/Facilities Use

- Instruction will be provided by each facility regarding access to equipment and protocols for use
- Users may use shared gym equipment such as nets. SRCE janitorial staff will disinfect these after use.
- Users must setup and return to storage, any shared gym equipment being used, and will post signage indicating that it is ready for cleaning/disinfection after use.
- Users may not use individual gym equipment such as rackets, ball hockey sticks, etc.
- Users will come fully prepared to participate in activities. Change rooms and lockers may not be available.

Responsibilities of SRCE Janitorial Staff

- SRCE janitorial staff are responsible for performing high touch disinfection between users.
- SRCE janitorial staff will notify users of any guidelines which they observe the users violating.
- SRCE janitorial staff will report observed violations of the community use guidelines to their supervisor.
- SRCE janitorial staff are not responsible for maintaining the entrance log, or monitoring entry/use of the school.

Booking Times

- Bookings must be staggered a minimum of thirty minutes apart.
- All users must be out of the school by 9:00pm to allow the facilities to be properly cleaned/disinfected at the end of the day.