



**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**
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June 1, 2018

Doug Nicholas
Sport & Event Services Manager
Active Living & Culture
City of Kelowna
645 Dodd Road
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Dear Mr. Nicholas:

Re: Letter of Support for Kelowna Community Sport Plan

As the Superintendent of Schools/CEO of the Central Okanagan Public School District, I am pleased to write a letter of support for the 2018 Kelowna Community Sport Plan.

Participation in sport is often inclusive and supports a physically active lifestyle. Regular physical activity is critical to the healthy development of children and adolescents, supports independent living and mobility in older adults. A physically active lifestyle reduces the risk of chronic diseases, in particular diseases associated with obesity.

Participation in sport can play a significant role in development of young people as positive contributing citizens. It provides opportunities to learn teamwork, cooperation, goal setting, the development of strategy and planning training.

The Guiding Principles of the Kelowna Community Sport Plan will support the positive outcomes for members of our community that are achieved through participation in sport. We look forward to continuing our ongoing relationship and are excited to explore how we can work together to support the Guiding Principles of the Plan.

Sincerely,

Kevin Kaardal
Superintendent of Schools/CEO



April 24, 2018

Doug Nicholas
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Dear Mr. Nicholas,

RE: Kelowna's Community Sport Plan

Rising levels of physical inactivity are contributing an increase in diseases such as cancer, heart disease, arthritis, obesity, anxiety and depression leading to a decline in the general health and well-being of the population. Regular physical activity is critical to healthy development in children and adolescents and can help reduce chronic disease risk. It can also preserve mobility and independence in older adults.

In accordance with the [Healthy Families BC Policy Framework](#) and the [BC Physical Activity Strategy](#), Interior Health is committed to collaborating with local governments and community organizations to support people to be active. These collaborative efforts help to create environments that foster physical activity by considering the environmental, social and individual determinants of physical inactivity.

Participation in sport is one way to be physically active. Kelowna's Community Sport Plan presents a vision and strategic direction that is aligned with the population health interests of Interior Health including:

- Promoting inclusivity and inspiring physical activity across the lifespan regardless of skills levels, physical abilities and access to resources in alignment with the [Community for All Plan](#);
- Fostering collaboration between local government, community organizations and partners to take collective action on community health and well-being.

Interior Health is open to continued engagement with the City of Kelowna and community partners as the Kelowna Community Sport plan progresses. Interior Health can provide an important population health perspective, emphasizing health equity. To explore future opportunities please contact hbe@interiorhealth.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sue Pollock".

Sue Pollock, MSc, MD, FRCPC
Medical Health Officer

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Heather Deegan, MSc
Director, Healthy Communities



May 29th 2018

Mr. Doug Nicholas
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RE: Community Sport Plan

Dear Mr. Nicholas,

Thank-you for including us in your consultation for the development of the City of Kelowna's Community Sport Plan. Okanagan College's Kelowna campus is a vibrant community of over 6000 students, whose mental and physical health are an important aspect to ensuring a healthy learning environment. In addition, as Okanagan College further expands its athletics programs, it is well placed to collaborate with local sports organizations within the Canadian Sport for Life continuum.

We look forward to continued discussion and engagement around the recommendations outlined in the Community Sport Plan.

Regards,

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Phil Ashman
Regional Dean, Central Okanagan

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RE: Letter of Support – Kelowna Community Sport Plan

Dear Mr. Nicholas,

I write this letter on behalf of PacificSport Okanagan Regional Sport Centre, in support of the **City of Kelowna's Community Sport Plan**. We operate in both the role of a keen local partner, as well as the regional sport centre link between the central Okanagan and broader British Columbia Regional Sport Alliance. We were thrilled to participate in the creation of this plan, and to see the development of key goal areas that include a focus on **building quality sport**, as well as **developing a physical literacy strategy**. This plan will provide the stewardship to create more active, vibrant communities.

As the regional sport centre for the Okanagan Valley, PacificSport Okanagan has operated for the past 15 years in service of building an active and sport-friendly region. The City of Kelowna and other Central Okanagan partners (from the health, education, recreation, tourism and sport sectors) have all actively contributed to the drafting of the Kelowna Community Sport Plan, and we are excited to contribute to building a vibrant sport sector that will endure for generations to come.

We look forward to supporting the Kelowna Community Sport Plan, as it aids in helping us to empower residents to "**play, participate and perform at their best, through sport**".

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shaunna Taylor'.

Shaunna Taylor
Executive Director, PacificSport Okanagan

About PacificSport Okanagan

PacificSport Okanagan is a not-for-profit organization established in 2002, responsible for leading athlete, coach and community sport services in British Columbia's Okanagan Valley. We provide leadership and support for a wide variety of sport and physical activity services to help communities play, participate and perform at their best, through sport. Learn more at www.pacificsportokanagan.com.

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April 9, 2019

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RE: Letter of support for Kelowna Sport Plan direction.

Dear Doug,

Tourism Kelowna enthusiastically supports the 2018 Kelowna Community Sport Plan. The guiding principles provide the framework for all community partners to achieve the vision collaboratively. As your partner, Tourism Kelowna is also aligned to the Sport Plans' strategic goals; to provide exceptional facilities for sport participation and performance initiatives and to be recognized as a premier sport event destination.

We look forward to working together to implement the action items outlined and creating a dynamic, nationally recognized sport destination.

Sincerely,

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Jennifer Horsnell
Director of Sales



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June 21st, 2018

Hi Doug,

Please receive this note as UBC Okanagan's agreement in principle with the Vision, Guiding Principles, and Goals of the Kelowna Community Support Plan. As discussed, I am eager to work collaboratively with you and other key stakeholders to develop a Sport Plan implementation strategy that will serve as a guide for our collective efforts moving forward. If you are seeking community members and partners to serve on an implementation committee, please know that I am interested.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Huisman'.

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RE: Letter of Support for Kelowna Sport Plan Direction

Dear Doug,

The YMCA of Okanagan would like to express our support for the Future City of Kelowna Community Sport Plan. We are very excited about the future of sport and active living in Kelowna and look forward to future collaborations and partnerships to achieve the presented vision. We believe our vision and strategic directions are perfectly aligned for continuing to build healthy, strong, inclusive and vibrant communities.

We look forward to continuing our ongoing relationship and are excited to explore more ways we can work together in the future.

Sincerely,

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Cory Krist,
General Manager, Health, Fitness & Aquatics