



School Travel Program

Legislative Assembly of British Columbia

The School Travel Program facilitates travel to Victoria by reducing financial barriers for groups that would otherwise be unable to visit the B.C. Parliament Buildings.

Eligible school groups are invited to apply before March 31, 2027 for travel during the 2026/2027 school year!

Eligibility

- B.C. public schools, independent schools with a group one or two classification, schools from the Conseil scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique, and schools operated by a First Nation.
- Schools in British Columbia from outside of the Greater Victoria region. Schools located in the Victoria and Saanich School Districts are not eligible. Please see the list of eligible schools in the Sooke School District on page four.
- School groups with students in grades 4 – 12 who are travelling for educational purposes.
- School groups who are travelling with a minimum of 10 students and a maximum of 40 people. Larger groups must submit more than one tour booking request and grant application.

Program Requirements

1. Your trip to Victoria must include a guided tour of the B.C. Parliament Buildings delivered by staff of the Parliamentary Education Office ([book here](#)).
2. Your group must complete a 30-minute Virtual Classroom session before your visit ([book here](#)).



Application and Notification Process

You request the grant as part of the tour booking process. The grant application is included on the online tour booking form.

After your booking request has been received:

- The tour booking request will be processed within two business days. Once approved, you will be emailed a confirmation with the the date and time of your tour.
- The grant application will be processed within 10 business days. You will be notified by email if your application has been approved. The notification letter will include the maximum amount of grant funding you have been approved to receive.



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Funding

Funding is provided for a maximum of 40 people, per group. This is the same as the maximum number of people allowed on a guided tour.

Groups with more than 40 people need to submit more than one tour booking request and grant application.

Funding will be provided for up to two accompanying adults, per group (e.g. 38 students and two adults).

The amount of funding per person is based on school district boundaries that have been divided into four regions. Independent, First Nation, and SD93 schools will be assigned to the region where their school is located.

Online learning schools may be asked to provide information to show where the students in the group are traveling from.

Grant funding will be awarded to eligible school groups until all of the funds for the program have been distributed. Applicants will be notified if funding is no longer available and may be placed on a waitlist.



Region	School District Numbers	Funding Per Person
1. Mid-Island	62 (see page 4 for list of eligible schools), 64, 68, 69, 71, 79.	\$20
2. Metro Vancouver, Pacific Rim, and Vancouver Island North and West	36 - 41, 43 - 45, 70, 72, 84, 85	\$30
3. Fraser Valley, Sunshine Coast, qathet, and Sea to Sky	33 - 35, 42, 46, 47, 48, 75, 78	\$40
4. Thompson - Okanagan, Kootenay -Boundary, and Northern British Columbia	5, 6, 8, 10, 19, 20, 22, 23, 27, 28, 49 - 54, 57 - 60, 67, 73, 74, 81, 82, 83, 87, 91, 92	\$400
Not Eligible - Greater Victoria	61, 63	-



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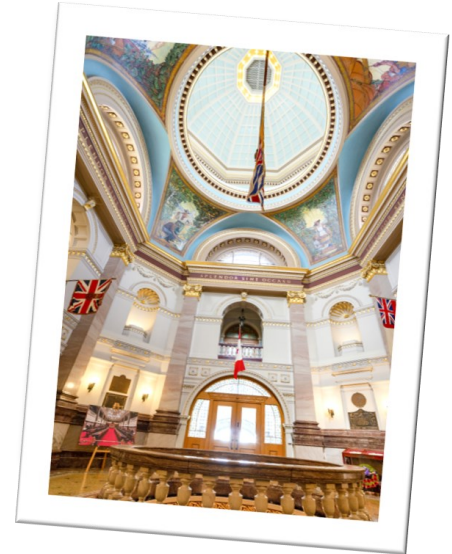
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Funding Requirements

Grant funding may only be used for costs associated with the trip to Victoria.

Payment will not be issued for any costs associated with a cancelled trip or to groups who:

- fail to complete both the Virtual Classroom Session and the guided tour.
- do not appear at the date and time scheduled for their guided tour.
- do not allow for sufficient time to complete the full guided tour.



Payment of Grant

Payment will be issued after both program requirements, the Virtual Classroom Session and the guided tour, have been completed.

The amount of the payment will be determined by the total number of people who are present for the guided tour (up to the maximum granted in the confirmation letter). This will be confirmed at the time of your visit.

Payment will be issued directly to the school. Cheques cannot be issued to individuals.

Preparing for you Visit

Guided tours provide an engaging and informative introduction to the role of the Legislative Assembly, the history of the Parliament Buildings, and the provincial level of government. Please let us know if there are any topics of particular interest to your students.

There are many resources available on our website to help you prepare for your tour and your Virtual Classroom Session.

- [Activities and Resources for Teachers](#)
- [How to Prepare for Your Visit](#)

Questions? Email tours@leg.bc.ca.





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List of Eligible Schools

Sooke School District #62

The School Travel Program offers grants to eligible school groups in the Sooke School District that are located 40 km or more from the Parliament Buildings in Victoria.

Eligible Schools

Ecole Poirier Elementary	Port Renfrew Elementary
Edward Milne Community	Saseenos Elementary
John Muir Elementary	Sooke Elementary
Journey Middle	

Not Eligible

Belmont Secondary	PEXSISEN Elementary
Brookes Westshore	Royal Bay Secondary
Centre Mountain Lellum Middle	Ruth King Elementary
Colwood Elementary	Qelensen A Len Secondary
Crystal View Elementary	Sangster Elementary
David Cameron Elementary	Savory Elementary
Dunsmuir Middle School	SĆIÁNEW STĒLITĒŁ Elementary
Hans Helgesen Elementary	Spencer Middle
Happy Valley Elementary	Westmont Montessori
John Stubbs Elementary/Middle	Westshore Secondary
Lakewood Elementary	Willway Elementary
Lighthouse Christian Academy	Wishart Elementary
Millstream Elementary	