

Cove Cliff Elementary School

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Dear Parents,

Swangard results are in and now posted in the intermediate wing of the school and by the office. Swangard is scheduled for Tuesday June 7, 2022.

With the track and field season nearing the end, we would like to congratulate all students who participated by coming to practices and representing our school at zone meets. We also want to thank the staff for volunteering to coach and/or run the meets. Congratulations to those students who have qualified to represent our school and zone at the district meet!

A few reminders:

- Remember that the track meet is on rain or shine, so please be prepared for the weather. NOTE: Swangard Stadium has its own climate; the stands can be cold and windy even when it's sunny.
- Please ensure your child has adequate and appropriate clothing including a hat, sunscreen and water. Please remove hats for the singing of O'Canada and the Coast Salish Anthem.
- Remember to wear your jersey and represent Cove Cliff with pride!
- Non-participants may not attend the meet .
- Track shoes (with or without spikes) are <u>not</u> allowed. Students will be disqualified if spikes are worn.
- Track shirts are available for purchase. Grey shirts (old stock adult size only) are \$5 and blue shirts (previous stock-limited sizes) are \$10 and new performance t-shirts are \$20. Exact cash only.
- Parking Central Park pool lot (accessed at 47th and Boundary) and the East lot (accessed off Kingsway at Variety Park). Participants and spectators should park and walk into the facility.

Students attending Swangard are responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from the track meet. The students who are on the Alternate List only go to the zone meet if one of the qualifying students cannot attend. This decision will be made by Monday June 6th as substitutions are not allowed on the day of the meet. If it is necessary to have an alternate participate at Swangard, they will be notified individually by noon on June 6th.

Swangard Stadium is at the intersection of Boundary and Kingsway in Burnaby. Students will be supervised by Ms. McTavish in section E. The athletes must stay in the designated "Cove Cliff" zone unless marshalling for their event, using the washroom or going to the concession. It is important that athletes do not loiter in the area behind the stands. It is up to the individual athletes to check the schedule of events (see attached page) and listen for the marshalling of their event(s).

Students should arrive by 8:15 a.m. in order to <u>check in with Ms. McTavish</u> and line up at 8:30 behind the stadium for the parade. At 8:45 all schools will walk into the stadium behind their school banners for the march around the track. After the O'Canada, the Coast Salish Anthem and opening remarks by Superintendent Dr. Pius Ryan, all students will return to our area of the stands.

Students will be marshalled approximately 15 minutes before each event. Swangard Stadium provides concession stands, but please ensure that your child has enough water and healthy food. An approximate schedule for the order of events is attached, this should serve only as a guideline, events regularly run ahead or behind schedule.

Students are expected to follow the Cove Cliff School Code at all times during the meet in order to ensure their safety and the safety of others. <u>All students must check out with Ms. McTavish before leaving.</u>

Uniform returns:

- If you have a jersey and your child is not participating in Swangard, please wash and return the jersey to the main office this week and the deposit will be refunded.
- Once Swangard is over, please wash and return the jersey to the office and cheques will be returned if they pass inspection.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Williams or Ms. Kee. Let's go Cove Cliff!

Sincerely,

Cove Cliff Track and Field Coaches