## SOOKE DISTRICT ELEMENTARY TRACK AND FIELD

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the Sooke District Elementary Track Meet on Friday, June 1, 2018. In order to ensure that the event is successful for everyone, we would ask that you please read the following points and expectations. We would like to thank all of you in advance for your support.

Here are some key points:

- the track meet will begin at 10:00 a.m. and should end at approximately 3:00 p.m.
- parking is limited but please avoid the staff parking spaces and the bus zones
- only team officials are allowed on the infield
- there will be a "photo op" area in front of the podium so spectators can take pictures
- the order of events is relay heats, 800m, 400m, 100m, and relay finals (shot put for grade 4's and 5's will take place during the running events on the opposite end of the field)
- for each event, the order will be Gr. 5 Girls, Gr. 5 Boys, Gr. 4 Girls, Gr. 4 Boys, Gr. 3 Girls and Gr. 3 Boys

It is also important to note that coaches, supervisors, and organizers of the track meet are all volunteers who give up their free time to make this event happen. Without these volunteers, opportunities like this would not be a possibility for your children. We would ask that students and spectators follow the directions of the track supervisors, who are there to ensure safety. All questions and concerns that students or parents have about the races should be directed to their team's coach.

The following are the Expectations created by the Sooke District Sports Council:

## Athlete's Expectations

Students are encouraged to participate in extra-curricular activities and sports teams. It is expected that each athlete will:

- behave above the normal standard and show respect to teammates, coaches, opponents, event organizers, and spectators. It is a privilege to represent the school and the community.
- demonstrate 100% respect and cooperation so skills and knowledge can be learned and/or improved. Coaches are there on their own time.
- respect decisions made by a race supervisor without any gesture or argument.
- appreciate the parent drivers. Without these volunteers races would not be possible.
- treat other runners with respect and show sportsmanship at all times.
- exercise self-control at all times by winning gracefully and losing with dignity.

## Spectator's Expectations

Spectators are encouraged and welcomed to attend school sporting activities. It is expected that each spectator will:

- behave in a positive, courteous manner as guests of the event.
- cheer in a positive manner for all competitors. At the elementary level the students are being encouraged to try all sports and they often go out of their comfort level.
- respect the decisions of officials. All race supervisors are volunteering their time.
- be courteous and respectful to other spectators, all competitors, and all coaches and event organizers. Be an example to the students.

<u>Note</u>: If a spectator has an issue with another coach or track official, he/she should discuss this with his/her own coach or school principal. If the issue hasn't been dealt with to his/her satisfaction, please contact Lorraine Van Dyk, Sports Council President, at Ivandyk@sd62.bc.ca.

