



Dear Colleague,

Sea to Sky Outdoor School is offering a leadership program from March 25th – 28th, 2019 for students in grade 9, 10, 11 or 12. *Leadership School* is a four-day, residential program at Sea to Sky Outdoor School's Sunshine Coast Campus. Our aim is to explore effective leadership in the 21st century and to empower students to be positive change agents at home and school. This intensive outdoor experience is a blend of sustainability education, outdoor pursuits, and individual and team initiatives. Activities include ocean paddling, night hikes, role-play, problem solving, small group discussion, action planning, music and theatre sports all within the context of a shared community experience. This program provides a growth opportunity for students who have already demonstrated an aptitude for community service, public affairs and environmental awareness. The evaluations from our past leadership students have been outstanding.

Schools from across the province in grade 9, 10, 11 or 12 are invited to participate in this leadership development initiative. Registration forms and further information can be found on our website: www.seatosky.bc.ca. We would appreciate if you share these materials so as to profile this learning experience to interested students at your school.

We believe that the students best suited for Leadership School would reflect the following criteria:

- Have demonstrated leadership in classroom and extracurricular clubs/activities;
- Are self-directed, responsible school community members;
- Possess strong communication and interpersonal skills;
- Have an interest in environmental issues;
- Enjoy outdoor pursuits;
- Would apply the experience to school and home community on their return.

Please share these criteria with other staff who would know of students who might be interested. These may include Grade 9/10/11 teachers, Student Council mentors, Environment/Outdoor Club sponsors and Guidance Counselors,

Registrations must be received by Sea to Sky Outdoor School no later than February 28 2019. Sea to Sky will respond with an information package that would include a clothing and equipment list, a detailed program overview, health and medical form, suggested reading material and other logistical information.

The cost of Leadership School is \$450. It is hoped that a significant portion of the tuition would come from funding sources within or outside the school thereby helping students and their families manage the expense. These might include PAC, scholarship bursaries, departmental budgets, corporate or business sponsorship, municipal youth initiatives or other funding authorities. Many of our previous students were sponsored in whole or in part by local business.

Please don't hesitate to contact us should you have any further questions. We believe that Spring Leadership School 2008 will be an outstanding personal development experience for your students.

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