#### SASKATCHEWAN HIGH SCHOOLS ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION - BID TO HOST FORM (Adapted)

The following SHSAA Championships are awarded to locations on the basis of bids received from interested parties: Golf, Cross-Country, Soccer, Volleyball, Curling, Wrestling, and Badminton.

Bids for Golf, Cross-Country, Curling, Wrestling, and Badminton are accepted two years in advance of the scheduled event and are determined by the members at AGM in June. Soccer and Volleyball are accepted 1.5 years in advance of the scheduled event and are selected by the District in rotation to be presented at the Presidents' Meeting in December. ALL BIDS, whether submitted to the district or to the provincial members, should be received in writing. If no bid is received by the AGM or a District does not have a host location by Presidents' Meeting, the event will be open to bids from any school. Host locations not resolved will be selected by the board from written bids received. \*See handbook for projections.

\*Schools interested in hosting must apply through their district.

## Yorkton-Melville-Saltcoats Bid for Senior Curling Provincials Host, 2027

Date	School Name	Tournament Request
April 25, 2025	Yorkton Regional High School	SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials – Boys and Girls Events
April 25, 2025	Melville Comprehensive School	SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials – Open Mixed Event
April 25, 2025	Saltcoats School	SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials – Open Doubles Event

#### Why Us? Hoopla on Ice!

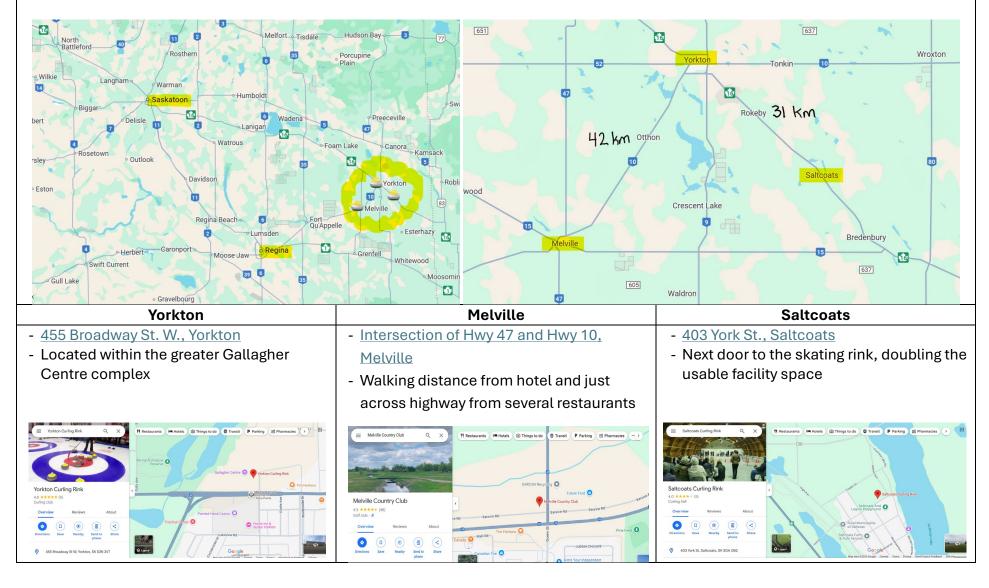
Yorkton, Melville, and Saltcoats would like to be considered as partner hosts for all events (Girls, Boys, Open Mixed, and Open Doubles) of the 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials. Our close geographical proximity will allow coaches, athletes, families, and spectators the unique opportunity of being able to partake in joint celebrations and attend multiple events throughout the weekend. Our exceptional facility spaces, substantial amenities, and overwhelming community support will comfortably provide visiting curlers and enthusiasts with everything they need during their stays, while also ensuring they have an enjoyable and memorable experience.

In the SHSAA world, different sports determine champions in different ways, but most culminate in a unified event. Hoopla, for example, brings exemplary teams from all classifications together in one city, creating a synergy that is enviable and palpable. With Melville being a mere 42 km from Yorkton, which in turn is 31 km from Saltcoats, we can provide a provincial curling championship that will recreate the energy and excitement synonymous with Hoopla.

Below you will find a summary of our analysis of each aspect of hosting provincials, with specifics highlighted for each community, where applicable. Thank you for your time and consideration of our request to host this championship.

#### **Location**

All three of our communities are conveniently located in a close triangle with a mere 50 km or less separating each place and are easily accessible by major highways. Yorkton, with a population of 16 280, is found on the east side of the province. It is 190 km from Regina and 330 km from Saskatoon and located at the intersections of three major highways (9, 10 and 16). Melville, with a population of approximately 4 500, is only 42 km from Yorkton, 347 km from Saskatoon, and 147 km from Regina and located at the intersections of highways 10, 15, and 47. Saltcoats, with a population of close to 500, is just 31 km east of Yorkton and easily accessible by highway 16.



#### **Facilities**

The Yorkton Curling Club has eight sheets of artificial ice, comfortably allowing for two of the four-player curling categories to be held in the facility. A plan is in place to enhance its viewing capacity to over 400 curling enthusiasts. The curling club is part of a larger complex known as the Gallagher Centre, a centerpiece of the sporting world in Yorkton. It has a number of features that will augment the enjoyability factor of anyone attending the 2027 SHSAA High School Curling Championships. The Flexihall (field house) will be used to conduct the Opening Ceremonies and medal presentations. Throughout the building there are various venues that will be converted into a players' lounge, an officials' area, a coaches' sanctuary, and a parents'/relatives' lounge. Within the building there is also an aquatic centre where visitors may choose to spend time between games.

The Melville Golf and Curling Club has four sheets of artificial ice, allowing for one, four-player category to be hosted in the facility. As this was originally a six-sheet facility, converted outside lanes along the ice surface will allow for additional spectator seating, providing a unique and unforgettable "stadium-like" curling experience.

The Saltcoats Curling Club has three sheets of artificial ice, allowing for the two-person Open Doubles category to be featured there. With a downstairs lobby and an upstairs viewing area, this facility will comfortably seat over 120 fans. This curling club was the early training ground for many future curling champions. Steve Laycock (World Junior Champ) and Joan McCusker (Canadian, World, and Olympic champion) threw their first rocks in this curling rink. In addition, many high school medalists started their careers in Saltcoats. Plans are afoot to honour these champions as part of the 2027 curling celebrations.

Yorkton	Melville	Saltcoats
- Eight sheets of artificial ice	- Four sheets of artificial ice	- Three sheets of artificial ice
- Experienced ice maker (local technician	- Experienced ice maker (local technician	- Experienced ice makers of 35 years
for two Curl Canada Grand Slams, as well	for the 2025 CurlSask Mixed Provincials,	- One locker/change room, two
as for countless local and provincial	2025 ECDAA Jr. Curling Districts, and	washrooms
bonspiels)	many more bonspiels)	- Additional locker/change rooms and
- Two (male and female) locker/change	- Two (male and female) locker/change	lounge areas would be made available in
rooms, washrooms	rooms, washrooms	the skating rink building next door (within
- Additional locker/change rooms within	- Plenty of space, tables, and seating, with	50 feet of the curling rink)
the facility that could be used for team	an upstairs and downstairs viewing and	- Plenty of space, tables, and seating
meetings	eating area	within a downstairs lounge and upstairs
- Private lounge for players to re-energize	- Indoor seating capacity of 150+	viewing area
between games	spectators	- Seating capacity of 100 fans with
		additional standing room for 50 people

- Private lounge for coaches and an area	- Additional ice seating on bleachers	- Full concession, with a subsidiary
set aside for officials to relax between	alongside sheets one and four, drastically	concession available at the nearby
draws	increasing spectator capacity and	skating rink
- Separate lounge reserved strictly for	creating a stadium experience for curlers	
parents and relatives to use	- Cameras/monitors for viewing far houses	
- Plenty of space, tables, and seating, with	on each sheet of ice	
an upstairs and downstairs viewing and	- Full concession	
eating area		
- Temporary seating to be set up to		
accommodate 320 spectators, with		
standing room for 100 more		
- Cameras/monitors for viewing both		
houses on each sheet of ice		
- Full concession (Soup & Such)		

#### **Events/Format**

All curling events would follow Curl Canada rules, along with the SHSAA handbook and rule amendments. Formats would follow standard SHSAA provincial curling championship guidelines. Generally, eight-end games in each event would be set up in a double-elimination bracket with a page playoff format. Start times would be set at approximately three-hour intervals to accommodate ice cleaning/pebbling in between. Gold, silver, and bronze medals would be awarded in all categories and presented to winning teams during an on-ice ceremony following each final.

Yorkton	Melville	Saltcoats	
Yorkton would plan to host the Boys and	Melville would host the <b>Open Mixed</b> event in	Saltcoats would host the <b>Open Doubles</b>	
Girls events given their eight-sheet facility.	their four-sheet facility.	event in their three-sheet facility.	

Avai	ability of Qualified Officials
In the past, Yorkton has hosted two Curl Canada Grand S	lams. In 2020, Melville hosted the Provincial Tankard and Scotties, which will
return to Melville again in 2026. There will be no shortage	of qualified officials available.

#### **Accommodations**

Yorkton and Melville have a plentitude of options for accommodations at affordable rates. Given the close proximity of Saltcoats to Yorkton, fans attending the Doubles event would have the additional option of staying in Yorkton overnight, should they choose.

Yorkton	Melville	Saltcoats
<ul> <li>- Days Inn – 74 rooms</li> <li>- Quality Inn – 100 rooms</li> <li>- Home Inn – 80 rooms</li> <li>- Holiday Inn Express – 103 rooms</li> <li>- Comfort Inn – 78 rooms</li> <li>- Yorke Inn – 24 rooms</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sigma Inn &amp; Suites is 500 m from the curling rink; will block off rooms and offer a discounted rate for this event</li> <li>Best Stay Inn (also nearby)</li> <li>Waverley Hotel</li> <li>Classic Inn</li> </ul>	- Laketown Hotel - Option to stay in nearby Yorkton hotels with a short 15 min. drive
- Redwood Inn – 28 rooms - Windy Acres BnB – 22 rooms		

#### Food Services

Each curling rink has a concession on-site to provide quick, convenient access to nutrition throughout the day. Each menu will ensure food options that meet a variety of dietary needs (vegetarian, gluten-free, etc.). Additionally, there are local restaurant and grocery/snack options within each community for those eating off-site.

Yorkton	Melville	Saltcoats
- Full concession in the Gallagher Centre	- Full concession in the curling rink	- Full concession
operated by Soup 'n Such	- Hot menu with custom items tailored to a	- Subsidiary concession available at the
- Extensive menu with wide variety of items	wide age demographic (see photos	nearby skating rink
(see photo below)	below)	<ul> <li>Laketown Hotel restaurant</li> <li>Esso station (for grocery basics and</li> </ul>
- Fast food options, including: McDonald's,	- Fast food options directly across the	snacks)
KFC, Subway, Burger King, Wok Box,	highway from curling rink, including:	
Wendy's, Tim Horton's, A & W, Dairy	McDonald's, Subway, Tim Horton's, A & W	
Queen, Pizza Hut, Pita Pit, Edo Japan,	- Sit-down restaurants and authentic	
Taco Time, Domino's	cuisine, including: Western Pizza, Double	
	Best Pizza, Flamingo, Jed's Kitchen	

- Sit-down restaurants, including: Boston	(Filipino), Sushi Garden (Japanese),
Pizza, Joe Beeverz, Mr. Mike's, Mano's,	Chan's Chop Suey House (Chinese),
Melrose Place, The Flats Eatery + Drink,	Chicken Chef
Grumpy's Grill, The Moose and Bannock	- Grocery options: Independent Grocers,
- Other authentic cuisine options	Prairie Co-Op
- Grocery options: Walmart, Superstore,	
Legacy Co-Op, Save-On-Foods	

#### **Community & Media Support**

Every all-encompassing event, whether it be Agribition, the Royal Bank Cup, or an SHSAA Provincial Championship, needs the broad base support of as much of the community as it can muster. Attached you will find letters of support tendered from city institutions, service clubs, elected officials, media outlets, and local businesses. In the event that we are awarded the bid, each has pledged further assistance by way of monetary donations, gifts in kind, or volunteer support, thus ensuring the success of the 2027 SHSAA Provincial Curling Championships.

Our local media (CTV News Yorkton, Access Communications, CJGX Radio, Yorkton This Week & Enterprise, The Canora Courier, The Preeceville Progress, The Kamsack Times, The Fourtown Journal, and The Melville Advance) have each submitted letters of support guaranteeing impressive coverage in as many ways as possible.

Within the ECDAA there are six local **newspapers**; each has pledged to cover the 2027 High School Playdowns before, during, and after the competition. The local **radio** station is in the process of setting up a digital network whereby all results will be distributed throughout the province. Our two local **television** stations also plan to air extensive coverage of the competition. Games will be telecast across the Access Communications network and replayed on a closed-circuit network within the Gallagher Center, while CTV has agreed to cover the championship in its entirety before, during, and after the weekend Provincials.

A network will be set up whereby all 61 games of the 2027 Championships will be **livestreamed** for any fans who are unable to attend.

#### **Special Attractions & Things to Do**

The Yorkton Sports Hall of Fame is in the lobby just outside of the curling rink doors. Fans of visiting curling teams will have the opportunity to browse the hall while entering or exiting the rink. Within the same complex as the curling rink is the Gallagher Centre Water Park. All visitors to the Curling Championships will be able to use the water facilities during their visit.

The Yorkton Terriers and the Melville Millionaires are both members of the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League (SJHL). The first round of play-offs in the SJHL begins early in March and the last draw on the first day of provincial playdowns begins at 4:00 p.m. Given those parameters, curling fans may be able to take in a SJHL playoff game.

Yorkton	Melville	Saltcoats
<ul> <li>Yorkton Sports Hall of Fame; located in</li></ul>	<ul> <li>SJHL playoff games</li> <li>Melville Bowl Arena (regular and glow</li></ul>	- Leflay Trail in Saltcoats District Regional
Gallagher Centre <li>Gallagher Centre Water Park</li> <li>SJHL playoff games</li> <li>Yorkton Bowl Arena</li> <li>Tower Theatre</li>	bowling) <li>Melville Theatre</li>	Park

#### **Availability of Medical Services**

Should anything untoward happen to a visiting curler or a curling fan, arrangements have been made to provide immediate care for those injuries. A team of physiotherapists, dentists, and a doctor have committed themselves to deal with all mishaps (please see attached letters of support from each of these medical volunteers). Additionally, St. John Ambulance will send volunteers to each site (subject to their availability) to support us during the events for a small donation that will be covered by community grants.

Yorkton and Melville both have a hospital/ER with ambulance service available 24/7 and just a short drive from Saltcoats. There are also pharmacies open late or with 24-hour on-call options.

Yorkton	Melville	Saltcoats
- Hospital/ER	- Hospital/ER	- Ambulance service via Yorkton
- Ambulance service 24/7	- Ambulance service 24/7	
- Shopper's Drug Mart (open late)	- Royal Drug Mart (open late)	
- Pharmasave (open late)	- Pharmasave (24 hour on-call service)	
- Loucks Medi-Health Pharmacy		
- Hearn's Westview Pharmacy (open late)		
- Walmart		
- Superstore		

#### **Additional Information**

We are the right-sized communities for this event. Smaller towns have always done a great job of hosting high school curling provincials, as shown recently by Lampman, Ituna, Gull Lake, Unity, Wawota, and Wynyard. A provincials bonspiel musters small town pride. Throw in a concession stand that features home-cooked food and the results could be iconic. Conversely, big cities have loads of hotel rooms, plenty of restaurants, and huge curling clubs that can lead a high school curling championship to get lost in the shuffle.

The Saltcoats, Melville, and Yorkton bid can summon the best of all worlds. Yorkton and Melville can boast 7 major motels and close to 50 different eating establishments between them. Schools in these areas are also near their respective curling rinks. Plans will be put in place to facilitate teachers bringing their classes to the rink to watch and cheer on the teams while also sparking interest in, and promoting longevity of, the sport.

Other ideas that would be brought to life if selected to host:

- Honouring Treaty 4 Territory and supporting truth and reconciliation by inviting local chiefs and dignitaries of surrounding First Nations to speak at opening ceremonies
- Planning a souvenir program to help preserve the memory of the provincials' weekend
- Putting together SWAG bags for athletes (generated through donations and gifts from community sponsors)
- Providing lounges for players, coaches, and relatives where possible to enhance their experience
- Celebrating the history of curling and the SHSAA
- Planning a joint banquet for all curlers in Yorkton on Thursday or Friday evening

Finally, even in 2027, Open Doubles will be a new offering to the SHSAA menu. In the interests of building the sport, Saltcoats would be willing to expand the competitive field from eight to twelve teams. A proposed schedule and an outline of suggested changes has been forwarded to the SHSAA Directors for perusal. Why not allow the 2027 SHSAA Curling Championships to "test drive" some new coaching boundaries in the sport of curling?

### Costs to SHSAA

**Nil**; the SHSAA will pay **\$0** for any costs regarding this event. All costs incurred will be the responsibility of the host committee, covered via community grants and donations. Any proceeds collected from gate admissions will be forwarded to the SHSAA as prescribed.

#### <u>Legacy</u>

Curling in east central Saskatchewan is enjoying a bit of a resurgence. Seniors are filling afternoon curling blocks. Small town rinks have waiting lists to get into their bonspiels. School children are discovering curling as a sport that might be "cool" and are flocking to youth bonspiels. Through media coverage of the 2027 SHSAA High School Curling Championships, we plan on raising the profile of curling in our area.

As hosts of the Provincial Championships, the Melville Comprehensive School, Yorkton Regional High School, and Saltcoats School will be granted hosting berths. We want our teams to look good in front of their hometown audiences, so to ensure they are well prepared:

- we will host lead up bonspiels,
- we will upgrade our coaches, and
- we will host clinics, seminars, and training camps for our athletes.

Every competitive high school curling team in the ECDAA will be invited to train with us, thus building on the momentum that has been growing at the grassroots level. These competitive teams will be encouraged to curl at the local level thereby ensuring the long-term viability of small-town curling rinks. If there is a financial legacy created, all funds will be plowed back into the sport of curling, particularly youth curling.

We view the hosting of the 2027 SHSAA Provincial High School Curling Championships as an opportunity to showcase our athletes, our facilities, and our communities, but it is more than just that. By hosting, we feel we can revive curling, bolster our small-town curling rinks, and help to preserve an important part of Saskatchewan's cultural and sporting heritage. Thank you for your consideration!

Submitted By:	Phone Number:
Yorkton: David Baron	306-641-5180 (C)
Melville: Brandy Lechner	306-728-4181 (W); 306-730-6154 (C)
Saltcoats: Stephen Farquharson	306-217-7750 (C)

SEND TO: SHSAA Office EMAIL: <a href="mailto:shsaa@shsaa.ca">shsaa@shsaa.ca</a>

#### Melville Curling Club Photos:













Breakfast		Coffee/Hot Drink \$2.00	
Yogurt Parfait	\$2.50	Gatorade	\$3.50
Muffin	\$2.00	Рор	\$3.00
Cinnamon Bun	\$3.00	Juice	\$3.00

Melville Comprehensive School



#### **All Day Specials**

Cheeseburger	\$7.00
Chicken Wings	\$15.00
Fries	\$5.50
Onion Rings	\$6.00
Mozza Sticks	\$6.50
Popcorn Chicken	\$6.50
Poutines	\$6.50
Hotdog	\$5.00
<b>Chicken Fingers &amp; Fries</b>	\$10.00
Taco in a bag	\$10.00
6 Perogies & Sausage Supper With Coleslaw & Sour Cream	\$10.00

Melville Comprehensive School

#### Yorkton Curling Club & Gallagher Centre Photos:



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Upstairs viewing and eating areas



**Concession Area and Menu** 



Family Recreation Centre

MLAs Kaeding and Chan, Mayor Kienle, and Sponsors



Potential Coaches' Lounge

Parents' Lounge

Banquet Room



**Opening Ceremony Site & Seating** 

#### Saltcoats Curling Club Photos:







April 16, 2025

To Whom it May Concern:

This is a letter in support of the Yorkton/Melville/Saltcoats bid to host the 2027 High School Provincial Curling Championships. If the bid was accepted, the Saltcoats Curling Club would host the doubles Championship. Saltcoats has been a hotbed of curling for over a century with the club recently hosting the 118th Annual Men's Bonspiel. Currently we have active Seniors curling, Men's, Ladies, and a Jr. program that boasts over 30 participants from grades 3-8. Our Jr. Program has helped feed the YRHS curling teams for many years. We hope that hosting this event, might help to spark even more young curlers to take up curling and continue with it in whatever community they end up in.

Saltcoats has a "3 sheet" curling rink, with ice that typically runs very keen with lots of curl. All three sheets are very consistent and would provide excellent conditions for a championship. Our ice crew would also be able to provide regular scraping and maintenance of the ice during the competition so that competitors had the best possible conditions. Viewing areas are available in the upstairs lounge or from the downstairs waiting room. (There is also the possibility of limited seating on the side walk-ways if that was deemed necessary.) We have an excellent kitchen and volunteer staff that would be able to provide meals for competitors and spectators.

While I'm writing this letter as the Chair of the Saltcoats Rink Board, I would also like to note that I have coached curlers at the Winter Games, High School Provincials, and at Curl Sask. Provincials. I have first-hand knowledge of what goes in to making a Championship event successful for both competitors and spectators. I feel that if this bid is accepted, it will raise the bar significantly for SHSAA curling.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Stephen Farquharson Saltcoats Curling Rink Board Chairperson



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March 7th, 2025

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Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association (SHSAA)

Subject: Letter of Support for Melville Comprehensive School to Host the 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the City of Melville, I am please to offer our full support for Melville Comprehensive School's bid to co-host the 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials in our community. We believe that Melville is an ideal location for this prestigious event, and we are excited about the opportunity to showcase our city's hospitality, sportsmanship, and strong community spirit.

Melville has a proud tradition of supporting youth athletics, and our facilities are well equipped to co-host a competition of this caliber. Our local businesses, volunteers and organizations are eager to contribute to a successful and memorable event for all participating teams, coaches and spectators.

We look forward to the opportunity to welcome student-athletes from across the province and prove them with an outstanding experience in our community.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require any additional information, we strongly endorse this bid and appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Chris Bruce Director of Community Services City of Melville <u>cbruce@melville.ca</u> 306-728-6860

Sincerely,

Kristn Renkas Recreation & Programming Manager City of Melville krenkas@melville.ca 306-728-6860



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April 17, 2025

Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association

Attn: Bid Selection Committee Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships

RE: Letter of Support - Bid to Host the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships

To Whom it May Concern,

We are thrilled to present a joint bid to host the **SHSAA 2027 Senior Curling Provincials**, in collaboration with our neighboring communities of Yorkton and Saltcoats. This partnership not only reflects our region's passion for curling but also offers a unique and highly accessible experience for student-athletes, families, and supporters alike.

Melville Comprehensive School (MCS) has seen a remarkable surge in student interest in curling doubling in just the past two years. Hosting this prestigious event would help to inspire both current and future curlers and ensure the sport continues to thrive in our community into the future.

In addition, MCS Cobra Athletics have been, and continue to be, widely supported in and beyond our school; hosting this event would see no shortage of community involvement. Together with Yorkton, we are also prepared to organize clinics and bonspiels leading up to the Provincials—welcoming and developing teams from throughout our surrounding region.

Melville offers the best of both worlds: the warmth and pride of a tight-knit community, paired with the full amenities and services typically found in much larger centers. We are confident in our ability to provide an exceptional and memorable experience for all involved.

Thank you for considering our joint bid. We believe this collaboration between Yorkton, Saltcoats, and Melville represents not only a strong logistical choice but a meaningful opportunity to celebrate and grow the sport of curling across Saskatchewan.

Warm regards,

Kristen Myero

Kristen Myers, Vice Principal Melville Comprehensive School



Outlook

Re: Fw: Letter of Support

From larryp@sasktel.net <larryp@sasktel.net> Date Thu 2025-03-13 10:28 AM

To Brandy Lechner < Brandy Lechner@gssd.ca>

🦨 You don't often get email from larryp@sasktel.net. <u>Learn why this is important</u>

SHSAA 2027 Senior Provincials

To whom it may concern:

The Melville Curling Club continuously tries to promote and support youth curling in our community and surrounding area. We have youth

curling every Monday and provide our local schools with ice time for their curling programs. Hosting this event would be an excellent way

to promote and create interest in the sport of curling in our area.

The curling club has already tentatively booked the ice for the SHSAA Senior Provincials Mar 12th and 13th, 2027.

We are 100% behind the MCS bid to host this event.

Larry Peterson President Melville Curling Club



April 15, 2025

# TO: Saskatchewan High School Athletics Association

# RE: 2027 SHSAA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL CURLING PROVINCIALS

OK Tire (Melville) would like to express our enthusiasm in support of the Melville Curling Club and SHSAA hosting the 2027 SHSAA High School Curling Provincials. Engaging youth in the sport of curling is of great importance to us and our community as well as boosting tourism and business when hosting such an event. OK Tire (Melville) is a proud sponsor of many community programs within Melville and surrounding communities and would be in full support to see such an event brought to our City.

Yours in sport,

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Office Manager Kim Crebo OK Tire (Melville)



Prairie Co-operative Ltd. Box 1330 Melville, SK SOA 2P0

12 March 2025

Saskatchewan High School Athletics Association (SHSAA) #1 - 575 Park Street Regina, SK S4N 5B2

#### RE: Letter of Support for 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials Bid

Dear Selection Committee,

On behalf of Prairie Co-operative Ltd., I am writing to express our enthusiastic support for the joint bid submitted by Melville Comprehensive School (MCS) and David Baron of Yorkton to host the 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials in Melville, Yorkton, and Saltcoats.

At Prairie Co-op, we are committed to supporting initiatives that enrich our community, promote youth engagement in sports, and contribute to the local economy. Hosting an event of this caliber will not only foster athletic excellence among high school curlers but also strengthen the long-term sustainability of curling in our region. Furthermore, the influx of visitors and media coverage associated with the event will provide a positive economic impact, benefiting local businesses and tourism.

Because Prairie Co-op is committed to supporting community initiatives that foster youth development and economic growth, should MCS and its partners be successful in their bid, we would be open to discussions regarding more tangible forms of support to ensure this event is a success.

We appreciate your consideration of this proposal and encourage SHSAA to select Melville, Yorkton, and Saltcoats as host communities for the 2027 Senior Curling Provincials. We look forward to the potential of welcoming athletes, coaches, and spectators to our community for this exciting event. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kim Wihak Marketing Specialist Prairie Co-op

P: 306.728.5497 E: kim.wihak@prairie.crs



April 16, 2025

SHSAA:

We have been informed that our local high school, MCS, is working on a joint bid with Yorkton and Saltcoats to host the 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials. We are a business that would most definitely sponsor such an event in our community, whether it be a monetary donation, door prizes or supplies. This would be a welcomed event in our community, giving a much needed boost to our tourism and business sectors.

As a parent of a former student of MCS that was heavily involved in the Melville and Yorkton curling programs, I can't express how exciting this is to me personally. Community involvement is crucial in nurturing our youth in curling and all sport. On a more personal level, the curling program was instrumental to my son in his pursuit of achieving his goal of curling competitively. His many successes on the ice have lead to lifelong friendships not only for him but for us as parents as well.

If Royal Drug Mart can be of assistance in creating excitement around curling in youth, we are more than happy to do just that!

Respectfully, Debbie Dales – Front Store Manager Royal Drug Mart ddales@nbly.ca



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April 1, 2025

Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association

Attn: Bid Selection Committee Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships

RE: Letter of Support – Bid to Host the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of Legacy Co-op, I am pleased to offer our enthusiastic support for the bid to host the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships across the communities of Yorkton, Melville, and Saltcoats.

As a proud community-owned cooperative with deep roots in east-central Saskatchewan, Legacy Co-op is committed to supporting youth, sport, and regional development. The opportunity to welcome the province's top high school curling teams, representing the Boys, Girls, Mixed, and Open Doubles categories, is both exciting and impactful.

We are confident that the hosting committee will deliver an exceptional championship experience for athletes, coaches, families, and fans alike. Events like this not only celebrate excellence in youth sport but also foster community pride and economic benefit for the host towns.

Legacy Co-op is excited by the prospect of this prestigious event coming to our region. We are committed to working with the organizing team to contribute to the success of the bonspiel, and look forward to collaborating on what that support will look like once the bid is secured.

Thank you for considering this bid and for supporting youth sport across Saskatchewan.

Sincerely,

Jessie Huber Marketing Manager Legacy Co-operative Association Limited 306 783-3601 marketing@legacycoop.ca



Geoffrey K. Propp Harvest Meats 501 York Road West Yorkton, SK S3N 3N5 gpropp@harvestmts.com

February 20, 2025

SHSAA Executive Committee Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association 1-575 Park Street Regina, Saskatchewan S4N 5B2

Re: Support for Hosting the 2027 SHSAA High School Curling Event in Yorkton

Dear SHSAA Executive Committee,

I am writing to formally express my enthusiastic support for Yorkton's bid to host the Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association (SHSAA) High School Curling Championship in 2027. As a dedicated member of this community, I am confident that Yorkton's unique blend of athletic facilities, community support, and passion for curling will create an exceptional environment for both athletes and spectators alike.

Yorkton has a rich history of curling excellence, with local clubs, schools, and curling enthusiasts fostering a strong culture of sport. Our community is well-equipped to handle an event of this magnitude, with state-of-the-art curling facilities, experienced volunteers, and a welcoming atmosphere that will make the event memorable for all participants.

Furthermore, bringing the SHSAA curling championship to Yorkton in 2027 would have lasting benefits for our students and the broader community. It will provide our high school athletes with the opportunity to showcase their talents, promote youth involvement in curling, and inspire future generations to get involved in the sport.

As president of one of Yorkton's most established employers, I'm excited at the prospect of supporting the 2027 High School Curling Championship in Yorkton. I understand the City of Yorkton is fully committed to supporting the event using its facilities, volunteer resources, and community partnerships.



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Thank you for considering Yorkton as a potential host for this prestigious event. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to the success of the SHSAA High School Curling Championship in 2027.

Sincerely,

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Geoffrey K. Propp President Harvest Meats



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TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN Re: Support for Yorkton Regional High School's 2027 Curling Provincials Bid



Official Website www.jannaleephysio.com

> DATE: February 20, 2025

On behalf of Jannalee Physiotherapy, I am pleased to offer our support for Yorkton Regional High School's bid to host the 2027 Provincial Curling Championships. As strong advocates for athlete safety and injury prevention, we believe in contributing to our community's sporting events to help ensure a safe and successful competition.

If Yorkton is selected as the host, our team will volunteer our time on-site Friday and Saturday to provide :

- Acute injury Assessment Immediate evaluation and guidance for injuries that may occur
- Concussion Screening On-the-spot assessment to ensure athlete safety and appropriate next steps
- Taping Services Supportive taping to help prevent injuries and enhance performance

While we are happy to donate our time, we kindly request an honorarium to help cover meals and the cost of necessary supplies, such as taping materials and medical essentials. This will allow us to provide the highest quality care throughout the event.

We appreciate the opportunity to be involved and look forward to working together to bring this exciting event to Yorkton. Please feel free to reach out if you require any further information at 306-786-3300 or admin@jannaleephysio.com.

Thank you for your consideration-we hope to support your bid and the athletes of the 2027 Curling Provincials!

Sincerely,

Jannalee Edgar BMR PT, Cert. in Sports Physiotherapy

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Now that's Country! 940 am

HARVARD MEDIA

Dave Baron dabaron@sasktel.net

Re: Request for Support for the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Culring Championships

Dear Dave Baron,

Harvard Media Yorkton is excited for the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships coming to our part of the province. After reading through your request, I agree this would be great opportunity for the Yorkton, Melville and Saltcoats communities.

We would be willing to support the bid. Once it is secured, we can further discuss what that might look like.

Thank you Sincerely,

Keith Spanier Market Sales Manager kspanier@harvardmedia.com

Keith Spanier



# Office of the Mayor

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Re: Letter of Support for Hosting the 2027 SHSAA Curling Championships in Yorkton

#### Dear SHSAA Committee,

On behalf of the City of Yorkton, I am pleased to offer our enthusiastic support for bringing the 2027 Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association Curling Championships to our community. Yorkton has a long-standing tradition of supporting youth athletics, and we would be honored to serve as the host city for this prestigious event.

Yorkton is well-equipped to welcome athletes, coaches, and families from across the province. Our premier facility, the Gallagher Centre, is ideally suited for an event of this caliber, providing excellent curling ice, spectator seating, and modern amenities to enhance the experience for participants and fans alike. Additionally, our vibrant community boasts outstanding hospitality, diverse dining and accommodation options, and a welcoming atmosphere that will make visitors feel at home.

Hosting the 2027 SHSAA Curling Championships in Yorkton would be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate high school athletics, promote the sport of curling, and showcase all that our city has to offer. Our local businesses, volunteers, and sports community are eager to contribute to making this event a resounding success.

We look forward to the possibility of partnering with the SHSAA to bring this championship to Yorkton and are committed to providing the best possible experience for all involved. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can provide any additional information to support our bid.

Sincerely,

Aaron Kienle Mayor, City of Yorkton



We at the Rock pride ourselves in local coverage. This event is one where we can not only give event coverage - but also the opportunity to interview many of the young athletes that would be attending. Our city has a history of hosting numerous successful events - this one will be no different. We look forward to this organizing group bringing together student-athletes in the spirit of competition and camaraderie with a successful bid - and they have our full support.

Regards,

Randy Atkinson Sports Director The Rock98.5FM



March 4, 2025

Steering Committee 2027 SHSAA Provincial Curling Championships 19 Wynn Place Yorkton, Sask S3N 2A3

Subject: Letter of Support for the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships Bid

To whom this may concern,

On behalf of Access Communications Co-operative, I am excited to express our enthusiastic support for the bid to host the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships in Yorkton, Melville, and Saltcoats.

With the championships featuring four competitive categories—Boys, Girls, Mixed, and Open Doubles—we are thrilled that Yorkton will proudly host two of these categories, with Melville and Saltcoats each hosting one. This event is a fantastic opportunity for our communities to come together and celebrate the spirit of sportsmanship and local talent.

As a 100% Saskatchewan not-for-profit community-owned co-operative dedicated to enhancing the lives of Saskatchewan residents, we believe that events like these foster athletic excellence, community pride, and engagement. High school athletics play a vital role in fostering teamwork, leadership, and community spirit, and we recognize the positive impact that hosting this championship will have on student-athletes, families, and local businesses.

Access Communications is committed to supporting initiatives that bring people together and celebrate Saskatchewan's strong tradition of sport and camaraderie. While the specific details of our involvement will be determined upon the successful awarding of the bid, we are eager to contribute in a meaningful way to ensure the event's success.

We commend the organizers for their dedication and vision in bringing this opportunity to our communities. We look forward to hosting these championships in our region and their positive impact on our local athletes, families, and businesses.

Sincerely,

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Tracey Mucha Senior Manager, Community Engagement



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# TRISCHUK & HAIMANOT DENTAL 524 BROADWAY STREET WEST YORKTON, SK S3N0P3 (306) 782-1224 trischukdental@sasktel.net

March 11, 2025

To whom it may concern,

# We at Trischuk & Haimanot Dental, are excited that Yorkton is bidding to host the 2025 SHSAA Provincial Curling Championships!

In the event of a dental emergency we are willing to provide services as needed. We look forward to collaborating with you on this event!

Sincerely, Dr. Greg Trischuk/ Dr. Simon Haimanot Trischuk & <u>Haimanot</u> Dental



February 19, 2025

#### RE: LETTER OF SUPPORT 2027 SHSAA CURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tourism Yorkton strongly supports the Yorkton Organizing Committee bid for hosting the 2027 SHSAA Curling Championships.

Visitors to the Yorkton area spend \$37.3 million with one in every eight Yorkton residents employed in tourism related jobs. With sport tourism identified as one of the leading travel generating sectors, access to promotion of sport experiences and events, are becoming an increasingly strong motivator for visitor travel.

Tourism Yorkton welcomes over 14,000 visitors annually to the Visitor Information Centre, providing information on Yorkton's attractions, programs and services. Yorkton would benefit in many ways from hosting the 2027 SHSAA Curling Championships including: showcasing Yorkton's sport and many organizations and building capacity in the sport organizations.

Indeed, this Championship Event would provide the opportunity for the Yorkton Terriers to enhance and add to Yorkton's tourism product and contribute to the economic development while promoting sport integrity.

We are confident that the organizational capabilities, the excellent facilities and the incredible support within the community of Yorkton will provide a perfect venue for hosting the 2027 SHSAA Curling Championships.

Tourism Yorkton commends the organizing committee for their vision and dedication in growing the sport product in Saskatchewan and looks forward to continuing the successful partnership.

Kind regards, Goulden

Randy Goulden Executive Director

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February 20, 2025

To Whom it May Concern:

RE: Support for the 2027 High School Provincial Curling Championships to be hosted in Yorkton

The Yorkton Curling Club is comprised of a group of committed volunteers dedicated to the sport of curling in this community and surrounding communities. Yorkton's rink has 8 sheets of ice and the surrounding communities also have outstanding facilities.

The Yorkton Chamber of Commerce is pleased to support the Club in its efforts to bring the championships to Yorkton. Such an event will bring competitors, coaches and fans to the community which will be a boost to the local business economy.

The Chamber is confident that the selection committee will choose Yorkton to host this outstanding event.

Sincerely,

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Juanita Polegi, ACE Executive Director

Voice of Business in Yorkton

# COURIER TIMES PRECEVILLE PROGRESS AND STURGIS REVIEW

PO Box 746 106 First Ave. E Canora, Sk. S0A 0L0

Dear SHSAA:

My name is Rocky Neufeld and I am reporter/editor for the Canora Courier, Kamsack Times and Preeceville Progress

I am writing this letter on behalf of David Baron of Yorkton, who is spearheading a bid to host the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships in Yorkton, Melville and Saltcoats. I and my co-workers are in full support of this bid.

Canora, Sturgis and Norquay, all communities in the area we cover, have a number of young curlers who are on the rise and will still be eligible for this competition in 2027. Hosting provincials so close to home gives these curlers a wonderful opportunity to excel and display their skills to the rest of the province.

Of course, it benefits our newspapers as well, giving us opportunities to publish exciting stories both before and during this prestigious event.

David tells there are four categories: Boys, Girls, Mixed and Open Doubles. His bid would have Yorkton hosting two categories, with one in Melville and one in Saltcoats.

In closing, I would love Mr. Baron be successful in this bid to host 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championship, and we will support the bid in any way we can.

Rocky Neufeld, Canora Courier Kamsack Times Preeceville Progress



February 14, 2025

Re: Yorkton High School Curling Bid

Dear Members of the Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association,

On behalf of the Kinsmen Club of Yorkton, we would like to express our support for Yorkton's bid to host the 2027 High School Provincial Curling Championships. As an organization dedicated to promoting youth development, sportsmanship, and community engagement, we are thrilled at the opportunity to support an event that not only showcases the incredible talent of young athletes but also strengthens our community's connection to the sport.

We believe that hosting this prestigious event will not only benefit the curling community but will also inspire a new generation of athletes in Yorkton and beyond. The Kinsmen Club have always been strong advocates for local youth initiatives and are confident that the 2027 Provincial Championships would be a resounding success. The spirit of competition, camaraderie, and community that this event will bring aligns perfectly with our mission to support youth and foster a vibrant, thriving community.

We stand behind you and look forward to the possibility of seeing Yorkton as the proud host of this important event. If there is any way we can assist in bringing this vision to life, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Yours in Kin,

Ron Hanishewsky - President Kinsmen Club of Yorkton

To Whom It May Concern:

It was with definite interest I listened when Dave Baron and Allan Hill visited the office of Yorkton This Week to discuss their plans to apply to host provincial high school curling in 2027.

It was particularly interesting that they plan to apply to host all of the curling events boys/girls/mixed and open doubles, with Yorkton as the hub community but utilizing at least two neighbouring community rinks to spread the event too.

The idea obviously mimics in many ways high school's 'Hoopla' for basketball, and the recent decision to host both the men's and women's provincial curling championship at the same time in a single centre.

In this case it would certainly focus attention on high school curling, and in terms of our newspaper it would almost certainly be the top stories leading up to and during the event, and as the long-term editor and sports writer I would look forward to the opportunity of Yorkton This Week covering the event.

As a feature event it would also be a definite positive for Yorkton in terms of tourism and spin-off economics.

Certainly the support of Yorkton This Week is behind the proposal.

Sincerely;

Calvin Daniels

Editor

Yorkton This Week.



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Re: 2027 Saskatchewan High School Curling Championships

The Yorkton Lions Club hereby provides our intent to assist in this project. We eagerly anticipate the results of the bid process to make Yorkton the City of choice in 2027.

I am available for any questions if needed.

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Yorkton Lions Club President Denny Vachon





PHARMASAVE 407 156 2nd Ave E. Melville, SK SOA 2PO Phone: 306.728.4556

April 25,2025

To Whom It May Concern,

As a proud local business owner in Melville, I am writing to offer my enthusiastic support for the joint bid from Melville, Yorkton and Saltcoats to host the 2027 Provincial High School Curling Championships.

Our community has a strong history of supporting youth sports, and curling holds a special place in that tradition. Hosting a provincial-level event would not only be a tremendous honor for these schools but also a boost for the entire town of Melville. Events like this bring people together and create a real sense of community pride.

From a business perspective, this event would also provide a welcome opportunity for local shops, restaurants, and services to support and welcome visitors from across the province. My business, along with many others, is ready and eager to contribute in any way possible—whether through sponsorship, services, or simply warm hospitality.

Melville Comprehensive School is more than capable of organizing and hosting a successful event. With strong leadership, enthusiastic volunteers, and access to excellent local facilities, I have full confidence in their ability to deliver a well-run and memorable championship.

Thank you for considering Melville Comprehensive School as one of the hosts for this prestigious event. I am proud to stand behind their application and offer my full support.

Sincerely,

Kim Cook Owner Pharmasave Melville



May 9, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to offer my full support for the bid to host the 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials in Melville, Yorkton, and Saltcoats. The proposal, led by Brandy Lechner of Melville Comprehensive High School, reflects a strong commitment to promoting youth sports, fostering community spirit, and upholding the proud tradition of curling in Saskatchewan.

Having had the privilege of attending the Senior Boys Curling Provincials this past winter in Wynyard, I witnessed firsthand the pride and enthusiasm of everyone involved – from organizers to attendees. I am confident that hosting the event across Melville, Yorkton, and Saltcoats will result in equally outstanding participation and community engagement.

This event promises to unite high school athletes from across the province in a celebration of skill, sportsmanship, and teamwork. The planning committee's focus on logistics, hospitality, and community involvement is commendable, and I have every confidence that the championship will be executed with excellence.

Hosting the Provincials also offers a valuable opportunity to highlight local facilities and dedicated volunteers while creating positive economic and social benefits for the region. With strong leadership and community support, this event is poised to be both memorable and successful.

Cornerstone Credit Union is a member-owned, community-minded organization proud to serve the communities of Melville, Yorkton, and Saltcoats. We are proud supporters of all three local curling clubs. Notably, the Melville Curling Club was a 2023 Project Cornerstone recipient, receiving \$10,000 for facility renovations. Both the Melville and Yorkton curling clubs have successfully hosted major events, including the SaskTel Tankard, thanks to the tireless efforts of passionate local volunteers.

I sincerely support this bid and urge you to give it your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

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April 24, 2025

#### Re: Support for 2027 High School Curling Provincial Championships

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Good Spirit School Division Board of Education, it is my honour to extend our unequivocal support for the joint application by the communities of Yorkton, Melville, and Saltcoats to host the 2027 High School Curling Provincial Championships.

These communities are bound by more than geography—they are united by a shared spirit of resilience, hospitality, and a steadfast dedication to youth and sport. For generations, Yorkton, Melville, and Saltcoats have served not only as proud stewards of Saskatchewan's athletic traditions but as champions of the values that define high school athletics: teamwork, perseverance, integrity, and belonging.

At Good Spirit School Division, our motto rings clear and true: "Students Come First." It is this guiding belief that compels us to support this bid with the full strength and resources of our division. We know that the opportunity to host the Curling Provincial Championships will not only galvanize local pride but will provide an unforgettable experience that uplifts students, celebrates diversity, and fosters community spirit across the province.

Our Board of Education recognizes the extraordinary organizational capacity, volunteer commitment, and deep-rooted passion these communities bring to any endeavor. Yorkton, Melville, and Saltcoats have long been torchbearers of excellence—in athletics, education, and community engagement—and we have every confidence in their ability to host an event that is both memorable and meaningful.

Let it be known: the Good Spirit School Division stands firmly behind this bid. We pledge our full support—logistical, operational, and moral—and look forward to joining hands in creating a celebration of student-athletes that will echo through the halls of memory for years to come.

With sincere enthusiasm and unwavering support,

Quintin Robertson Director of Education Good Spirit School Division Telephone: 306-786-4750



**David Chan, MLA** Yorkton Constituency Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

May 14, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

#### <u>Re: Letter of Support for Yorkton-Melville-Saltcoats to Host 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling</u> <u>Provincial Championships</u>

I'm pleased to provide this letter of support for the joint bid submitted by the communities of Yorkton, Melville, and Saltcoats to host the 2027 Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association (SHSAA) Senior Curling Provincial Championships.

The proposed collaboration between these three communities demonstrates a high level of organization, regional cooperation, and a shared commitment to youth development through sport. Yorkton and this region share a strong and well-established connection to curling. With first-rate facilities, experienced personnel, and a strong tradition of hosting provincial-level events, Yorkton and region are well-equipped to deliver a championship that meets and exceeds SHSAA standards.

As the Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Yorkton Constituency, I'm pleased to offer my full support to this bid. Our deep roots in curling, combined with strong facilities and community spirit, make our region a natural choice to host events like the 2027 SHSAA Senior Curling Provincials. I have every confidence in the ability of Yorkton, Melville, and Saltcoats to host a memorable and successful provincial curling championship.

Sincerely,

**David Chan** Member of the Legislative Assembly Yorkton Constituency Government of Saskatchewan

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# Hon Warren Kaeding PAg

Member of the Legislative Assembly

Melville-Saltcoats Constituency

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Letter of Support

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to offer my full support for the bid to host the 2027 Saskatchewan High School Athletics Association (SHSAA) Curling Championships in Yorkton.

This championship would be a tremendous opportunity to showcase East Central Saskatchewan and celebrate our region's proud tradition of curling and community spirit. With up to 32 of the best high school curling teams from across the province competing in four categories, this event promises to be a highlight on the provincial sports calendar and a valuable economic and social boost to our local communities.

Should the bid be successful, I would be pleased to support this initiative in any way I can. This may include exploring potential provincial grant opportunities, as well as facilitating conversations with key sponsors and industry stakeholders such as Mosaic and CN, who have a strong presence in our region and a history of supporting youth and sport.

I commend the organizing committee for their leadership and enthusiasm in pursuing this opportunity and wish them every success in securing the bid.

Sincerely,

FOR

Hon. Warren Kaeding

Minister of Trade and Export Development

MLA for Melville-Saltcoats