



2023-2024 Student Leadership Fund Application

Application Deadline: February 15, 2024

As approved by the Board of Education, the student leadership fund will be dedicated to students in the 2023/2024 school year. The purpose of the fund is to increase opportunities for student leadership, including cross-school gatherings and funding to support student leadership projects and initiatives.

In total, there is \$100,000 for the fund. Up to \$2,000 can be allocated per project led by secondary school students, up to \$1,000 can be allocated per project led by elementary school students and up to \$4,000 can be allocated per project for cross-district projects by students. More information about the fund criteria can be found <u>here</u>.

Based on the ideas generated by students for students, the following principles will guide the allocation of the Student Leadership Fund:

- Projects should uphold the principles of the VSB Education Plan and the student code of conduct, with attention to the District's commitment to diversity and inclusion, as well as student safety and wellbeing.
- Projects can be oriented towards community-building. Such initiatives can be based on any student leadership initiative/idea including but not limited to student engagement events, volunteer-based initiatives, fundraising endeavors, curricular enhancements, philanthropic pursuits, coaching, art, design, and student wellness. The list is endless harness your creativity!
- To foster student to student leadership, projects are ideally led by student groups rather than individuals.
- Aiming to connect students, the student leadership fund strives to support initiatives that are purposeful, achievable, and accessible. Projects applying for fund should be approached with a feasible timeline and clear plan of action.

Once applications are received, they will be reviewed in accordance with the fund criteria, and if approved, applicants will receive confirmation by February 29, 2024. All applications will be reviewed in order of date and time received.

Application:

Name of school or program:

Club name (if applicable):

Student lead name:

Student lead email:

Names of other students on the team:

Number of students involved (approximate):

Teacher(s)/staff sponsor(s) name:

Teacher(s)/staff sponsor(s) email:

Administrator or Director of Instruction name:

Administrator or Director of Instruction signature:

Does your project align with the student leadership fund criteria?

Connects to the VSB Education Plan and upholds the student code of conduct Supports diversity and inclusion, student safety and well-being Oriented toward student-generated ideas and opportunities Fosters youth leadership by being run by a team of students with support from teacher(s)/staff sponsor(s) Builds skills in task delegation, discussion, team management, communication, and organization Connects the school community Is purposeful, achievable, and accessible

In a paragraph, explain how your project builds or supports student leadership in your school community while also following the student leadership fund criteria and the <u>VSB Education Plan</u>:

Project Description

Please consider: What is your goal for the project? What activities will take place? Who will your project benefit? How will your project impact the community? What materials will you need? Will you need special permission from anyone at your school? (i.e. administrator, building engineer, etc.)

Project Budget

Provide a detailed list of anticipated project expenses and any other sources of funding that you plan to use for your project.

| Project Budget | | |
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| Expenses | Item Description | Cost |
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| | Total Project Cost | |

Project Timeline

Provide a detailed list of the actions necessary to complete your project. Be as specific as possible, including activities such as planning meetings, events, and purchases.

| Project Timeline | | |
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| Month | Activities/Steps | |
| January | | |
| February | | |
| March | | |
| April | | |
| Мау | | |
| June | June 3: Project Complete + Report Submitted | |

How will you know if your project has been successful?

Student leadership fund recipients will be invited to attend a student leadership showcase hosted by the Vancouver District Students' Council in June to share projects with students across the district.

Our project will be completed by May 31, 2024

Yes

No

Maybe

Questions? Email studentleadership@vsb.bc.ca