League Information

Pre-Season

- First 2 sessions are instructional clinics. Teachers will be asked to assist with on-ice coaching of students with the instructors.
- Session will go from 4:15pm 5:15pm

Regular Season

- There will be three leagues Monday, Wednesday & Friday Derrick Leagues
- Games begin at 4:15 p.m. and go to approximately 5:45 p.m.
 - Derrick Golf & Winter Club: 3500 119 St.
- Teams will play 2 Exhibition Games and then a Round Robin
- Schools are responsible for ensuring clean footwear, and providing sliders and brooms for their teams. Please remind curlers not to wear any form of clothing that may drag on the ice. Students should dress comfortably for activity. Change of footwear for use on ice will be mandatory.

Playoffs

- League Championship: the top four teams will qualify for the Championship Side Playoffs, next four teams will qualify for the Consolation Side Playoffs
- Top four teams from each league + four wildcards will qualify for the Combined League City Championship Bonspiel
- Championship Bonspiel will be a 16 team Oregon Draw to determine the overall Combined League City Championship

Playing Rules

Will be according to the current rules utilized by Curling Canada with the following modifications for junior high play:

- We stress our leagues are mixed and would like to see 2 girls/2 boys, but teams may be of any ratio of girls/ boys. Some schools will be playing with various combinations - your understanding is appreciated.
- Substitutions: Players may substitute as well as switch positions in between ends. A team must have a minimum of three players to begin a game.

• Late Arrival

- o 10-20 minutes late the non-offending team receives one point. Game begins with the non-offending team having Last Stone in the first end of play.
- o 20+ minutes late match is forfeited and a score of 4-0 will be recorded.
- It is the intent of our league that the players officiate themselves and adult interference is avoided no matter how well intended.
 - After the first 5 weeks, coaches are not allowed to be on ice and coaching during games. No coaching from behind the glass using hands signals etc. – allow players to strategize and pick shots for themselves.
 - Coaches should not be involved in the determination of scoring. Allow players to
 decide on close rocks situations for scoring. If help is needed (ie. How to measure)
 a neutral coach may assist. If the students are unable to make the determination
 the rocks are "a wash" no further points awarded in that end.
- Adult On-Ice Assistance Adult Stewards
 Our curling league encourages students to build independence and leadership through
 independent strategy and decision making. While recognizing this, we also strive to assist
 student-athletes to grow in sporting behavior, curling skills, and knowledge of curling
 rules and etiquette. To balance both of these goals:
 - o One Adult Steward per team will be permitted to be on the ice
 - o Permitted for five weeks: the first four weeks of the season, and the first week back in January. (May be five consecutive weeks, depending on league schedule)
 - There are no requirements for any team to provide any on-ice adult personnel, this is opened as an opportunity, not a necessity
 - o May be a coach, or an adult assistant coach designated by the team coach.
 - o Can assist students from any school, as necessary
 - Are to coach skills, curling etiquette and sporting behavior or help with strategy as necessary, ensuring they do not interfere or slow down game play; only offering assistance as needed
- <u>1</u> two-minute timeout per match. In this instance coaches may enter the rink to talk to players, but may not step onto the ice.
- Game length in Regular Season the goal is 4-5 ends. A horn will sound at 5:15pm. When athletes hear the horn they are to complete the end they are on and play one more end. City Championships games are all 4 ends.
- There are no ties allowed. Conduct a draw to the button by skips if tied after the final end. Sweeping is allowed only on your own team rock.