



Organizing Committee for FIFA 2026 Activities in Alberni Valley
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To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Board of Education for the Pacific Rim School District, I am pleased to offer our enthusiastic support for your proposal to host a FIFA 2026 World Cup-playing nation in the Alberni Valley.

This initiative represents a powerful opportunity to align with several of the core commitments outlined in our district's Strategic Plan. Most notably, it supports our goals to foster student success through meaningful learning opportunities, build strong community connections, and engage students with diverse cultural perspectives. A partnership of this nature not only enriches classroom learning but also creates real-world pathways for students to explore global citizenship, athletic development, and intercultural understanding.

We also commend the Committee's inclusive approach in collaborating with the Tseshaht and Hupacasath First Nations, reflecting our district's strategic priority of advancing equity and Indigenous education. Embedding Indigenous perspectives in major community initiatives is vital to fostering respect, reconciliation, and shared celebration.

The educational possibilities associated with hosting a FIFA nation—whether through school-based programming, cultural exchanges, youth mentorship, or sport development—align deeply with our vision of learning together to realize full potential. The global nature of the FIFA World Cup offers a once-in-a-lifetime chance to inspire and engage learners across all grade levels and communities within our district.

We are proud to support this initiative and look forward to potential opportunities to collaborate on programming that benefits students, staff, and families alike.

Yours sincerely,

Pam Craig, Board Chair
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