



Registration Information

This spring we're back in person with the Concours *d'art oratoire*, using revised rules and rubrics. **The provincial finals take place on Saturday, May 4th, 2024 at Simon Fraser University's Surrey Campus.**

For Grade 11 & 12 students, those who place 1st at the Provincial Concours in each of the categories will have the opportunity to move on to the virtual National Final.

Click [here](#) to find out more about the Concours d'art oratoire National Finals.

Who is eligible

Each school district may send **one student for each grade and French language category** to the Provincial Concours d'art oratoire.

Eligible students must:

- Be residents of British Columbia or the Yukon.
- Be enrolled in grades 6 through 12 in the 2023-2024 school year
- All participants require the approval of a representative from their school district, such as a modern language coordinator.
- Meet one of the following criteria in the 2023-2024 school year:
 - Have placed 1^{st*} in their district-level *Concours d'art oratoire*
 - **If no district-level Concours d'art oratoire was held:** Have placed 1^{st*} in a school-level *Concours d'art oratoire*
 - **If no district or school-level Concours d'art oratoire was held:** Have placed 1^{st*} in a classroom-level *Concours d'art oratoire*.
 - Students who have not had the opportunity to compete in any *Concours d'art oratoire* in 2024 must obtain support from a French-speaking teacher, in addition to the approval of a district representative.

* If the 1st place student(s) cannot attend for any reason, a runner up may be sent in their place at the discretion of competition authorities.



**Your student won at districts and is moving on to provincials!
Here is what you need to know:**

REGISTRATION

Provincial registration is NOW open till April 12th 2024 - [click here to register!](#)

Typically the District registers the student online, however some locations have the chapter, student or parent register. It is up to each district how students are registered – ensure family members and schools know the process to avoid duplication.

Cost: \$25 per student

Accuracy: It is critical that student name, speech title and category are entered correctly. This information is **directly copied** to the schedule, and any errors will be present in the printed programs.

AFTER REGISTRATION

Step 1: Students have registered online by April 12th, 2024.

Step 2: Each email entered in the registration form will be sent a DRAFT copy of the schedule about 1 week after registration closes.

Step 3: Review the DRAFT schedule. Check for accuracy. Ensure you check **both the morning and afternoon schedules**. Some categories are so large they run multiple times.

Step 4: If a student's name is missing or information is inaccurate: **reply to the email identifying the error and correction.**

FINAL PROVINCIAL SCHEDULE

A FINAL SCHEDULE is posted online on the Concours web page about a week prior to the Provincial Competition. No changes can be made once the program is finalized.

Please Note: in order to ensure fair access to the competition for all participants, special scheduling requests are not allowed. Each request for exception means another participant may not be able to attend.



ON THE DAY OF PROVINCIAL COMPETITION:

Event registration/sign-in is from 9:30am and open until 2:00pm in the Mezzanine.

Participants competing in the morning should arrive and register between 9:30 am – 10:15 am.

Participants competing in the afternoon are welcomed all day but only required to arrive and register starting at 12 noon.

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU ARRIVE

After registration, we welcome you to attend the **morning opening ceremonies**.

Once the ceremonies are complete, each student will make their way to the competition rooms. The competition will not start prior to the completion of the ceremonies, so feel free to stay until the end of the ceremony.

The first round of competition will commence for the **morning competitors**.

In each competition room there will be 2 to 3 judges, the competitors and the audience. Once all speeches are complete, certificates will be given to each participant. No winners will be announced in this room.

Winners will be announced in the Mezzanine, where the opening ceremonies took place. An **Awards Ceremony** will take place for all winners.

The morning competition is complete after the ceremony. The **afternoon competitors** repeat this cycle, beginning with a welcome at the **Afternoon Opening Ceremonies**.

LOCATION

Simon Fraser University Surrey Campus,

250-13450 102nd Avenue
Surrey, B.C.
Canada V3T 0A3

You can find a **map here**.



PARKING

Space is limited. Use public transportation if you are able. If not, SFU Surrey parking is very limited. More information about parking will be shared as it becomes available. The Centre City Mall does have 4 hour parking and it is patrolled.

PHOTO PERMISSION

Participants in the 2024 Provincial Concours d'art oratoire should be aware that winners and participant photos will likely be published in local media, or CPF social media. If there is **a reason why your photo cannot be sent to the media**, please advise us at concours@cpf.bc.ca PRIOR to May 3, 2024.

WATER

We're going green! Please bring your own reusable water bottle to avoid waste.

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

Send your inquiry to concours@cpf.bc.ca