



TECHNICAL PACKAGE / HOST INFORMATION



2026 5A GIRLS & BOYS BASKETBALL PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
MARCH 19-21, 2026
EDMONTON, AB



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1. TECHNICAL PACKAGE

A. PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP OVERVIEW: BASKETBALL

DATE	March 19-21, 2026
VENUES	Harry Ainlay, Strathcona, Jasper Place, St. Francis Xavier & Saville Community Center
TOURNAMENT CHAIR	Tyler Greenslade & Fallon Middlemiss / (587) 227- 5634
HOST SCHOOL	Harry Ainlay & Strathcona
SSA CONTACT	Deryk Venance / deryk@schoolsportalberta.ca / (587) 404 - 9358

Harry Ainlay High School is located at 4350 111th Street Edmonton Alberta
Strathcona High School is located at 10450 72 avenue Edmonton Alberta
Saville Community Center is located at 11610 65 Avenue Edmonton Alberta
Jasper Place is located at 8950 163 St NW, Edmonton Alberta
St. Francis Xavier is located at 9250 163 St NW, Edmonton, AB

B. COACHES MEETING

- The **mandatory** Coaches/Captains meeting will take place via Zoom at 7:00pm on Tuesday, March 17th. Please contact fallon.middlemiss@epsb.ca with any questions.

C. SCHEDULE / OPENING CEREMONIES

Wednesday, March 18

3:00 pm - 9:00pm	2026 5A Practice Schedule (note bottom tabs) - Teams will be scheduled to practice based on proximity to Edmonton.
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Thursday, March 19

9:00am - 10:30pm	2026 5A Schedule (note bottom tabs) Opening Ceremonies 2:30 PM at Harry Ainlay High School parking information
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Friday, March 20

9:00am - 9:30pm	2026 5A Schedule (note bottom tabs) **** Saville Shoot Times **** Saville Team Room Schedule (Semifinalists)
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10:00am - 7:30pm

[2026 5A Schedule](#)

[Saville Team Room Schedule \(Medal Round Teams\)](#)

D. REGISTRATION

Fees

- Fees for the tournament will be \$830. This includes the registration fee (\$770) and the athletic therapist (\$60).
- Please make cheques payable to School Sport Alberta.
- There is also an additional fee for the John Paton Pay it Forward, \$1.00 per athlete which will need to be added when submitting payment.
- Registration Deadline - Registration will occur online using the Registration button on the SSA website. The online Forms include a team roster, team photo, and a brief team history. This is due by Monday, March 16, at noon.

E. TEAM PICTURES / GAME PHOTOS

- Your team photo session will take place before and after the opening ceremonies on Thursday.
 - Below are the team schedules' times:
 - [Team Photo Schedule](#)
- A professional photographer will be taking action shots of most games. Each team will be guaranteed at least one game to get covered. The photos will be uploaded to the SSA Google Drive.

F. PRACTICE SCHEDULE

- Please see the [Practice Schedule Tab](#) of the draw to find the practice schedule.
- On Saturday, March 21, Gym 4 at the Saville Community Sports Centre will serve as a place for dynamic warmup. **No shooting / basketballs will be allowed in this gym.**

G. OFFICIALS

ABOA

- The Alberta Basketball Officials Association (ABOA) is recognized to provide officials for provincial competitions. Arrangements for officials at all provincial competitions shall be made by the Executive Director and/or appointees of the SSA Executive in cooperation with the ABOA.

Observed Protocols Assigned to Referees

- Scoresheets must be completed and verified at least 10 minutes before tip-off.
- The captain's meeting will take place at 7:00 prior to tip-off.
- At 1:30 before tip-off, players must clear the floor and report to their team bench.
- Player jerseys must be tucked in during play.
- All players' uniform accessories must be the same colour.
- Players are not permitted to wear jewellery of any kind during play.
- Substituting players must report to the score table and be waved in before entering the game.
- Teams must return to the court at the 0:10 mark of timeouts (at the warning horn).
- Only the head coach may address officials from the team bench area.
- Only one coach (either the head coach or an assistant coach) may stand during play at any given time.
- Bench players and team personnel must remain seated during play. Players may stand briefly (3–5 seconds) to react to a single play but must sit down again immediately.

Minor Officials

- Minor officials (scorekeepers) are volunteers from numerous schools in Edmonton. Please treat them with respect and understanding; they are volunteering to help make the event run as smoothly as possible. Each scorekeeping table will be supervised by the facility managers
- If you or the team has any concerns with the scorekeeping, a member of the coaching staff or teacher supervisor will address it through the Officials and/or Facility Managers. Do not direct comments to the minor officials. Spectators will not address any officials/minor officials at any time, or they will be asked to leave the facility promptly.

H. GRIEVANCES & DISCIPLINE

- There are two key focuses of the Grievance/Discipline Committee at SSA provincials.
 - The first focus is to deal with matters that occur during competition, typically discipline/conduct issues, and appeals that may arise from ejections.
 - The second focus is to handle any other matters that arise that require dispute resolution.
- Grievances need to be brought up to the Grievance Chair first and will then be discussed and concluded by the committee that is made up of an administrator (Dean Carter), an SSA Commissioner of Staff Member, a head official from ABOA, and two coaches or are not in conflict of interest.

I. TEAM ROOMS / CHANGE ROOMS

- Every high school will provide a gender appropriate change room as well as halftime meeting spaces and post-game meeting spaces.
- Saville Community Sports Center will provide general change rooms as well as team rooms for the 4 teams in the finals.
- Please find the [Team Room Schedule](#) for teams in the A-side semifinals, as well as medal round games.

J. COMPETITION UNIFORM

- The higher seed will be deemed the home team, and is required to wear light jerseys, and the lower seed will be dark.
- When wearing accessory garments (such as undershirts or arm/leg sleeves) beneath their uniforms, these items must maintain a single dominant color consistent across the entire team.
- In the event of a color discrepancy between a light uniform and a dark uniform, one team may be requested to change to a more suitable option available to them. This decision will be made at the discretion of the officials.
- Please do not change in the gym at your respective benches. Please make any uniform changes in the change rooms provided by the hosts.

K. EQUIPMENT

- Teams will provide their own balls for practice and pregame warmups.

2. HOST INFORMATION

A. VENUE INFORMATION

VENUE	<p>Harry Ainlay High School & Strathcona High School are the host schools.</p> <p>Games will also be played at Jasper Place High School, St. Francis Xavier High School and Saville Community Sports Center</p>
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B. ACCOMMODATIONS

SSA Partner Hotels

Option #1	<p>Sandman Edmonton West</p> <p>Distance to HA: 15.4 km Drive Time to HA: 20 min</p> <p>Distance to Scona: 14.4 km Drive Time to Scona: 24 min</p> <p>Distance to Jasper Place: 3.5 km Drive Time to Jasper Place: 10 min</p> <p>Distance to Saville: 12.8 km Drive Time to Saville: 19 min</p>	<p>17635 Stony Plain Rd, Edmonton, AB T5S 1E3 CALL: +17804831385 2 Beds / \$119 Block ID: 2603ALBERT_001</p>
Option #2	<p>Sandman Edmonton South</p> <p>Distance to HA: 8.8 km Drive Time to HA: 14 min</p> <p>Distance to Scona: 10.1 km Drive Time to Scona: 16 min</p> <p>Distance to Jasper Place: 24.2 km Drive Time to Jasper Place: 28 min</p> <p>Distance to Saville: 11.9 km Drive Time to Saville: 19 min</p>	<p>10111 Ellerslie Rd SW, Edmonton, AB T6X 0J3 CALL: +17804307263 Block ID: 2603ASAABA_001</p>
Option #3	<p>Edmonton Wyndham South</p> <p>Distance to HA: 2.7 km Drive Time to HA: 7 min</p> <p>Distance to Scona: 3.5 km</p>	<p>4440 Gateway Blvd, Edmonton, AB T6H 5C2 CALL: +18259014946 Booking Details Block ID: 031826HAR</p>

	<p>Drive Time to Scona: 8 min</p> <p>Distance to Jasper Place/st.FX: 12.3 km</p> <p>Drive Time to Jasper Place/St.FX: 17 min</p> <p>Distance to Saville: 5.3 km</p> <p>Drive Time to Saville: 11 min</p>	
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C. FOOD & BEVERAGE

- Restaurants near our main host sites can be found [here](#)

D. HOSPITALITY

- Coaches and officials' rooms will be provided at Harry Ainlay, Strathcona, and Saville

E. PARKING / TRANSPORTATION

PARKING INSTRUCTIONS

- Parking at Harry Ainlay is available in our North East parking lot and south of the school in the community. Please do not park in staff parking during the school day (South East and South West lots). [See here](#) for maps and drop-off locations for buses.
- Parking at [Saville](#), please note that team buses must park in Lot 65
- Parking at Strathcona is available in our West and Southwest parking lots and in the community. Please do not park in staff parking during the school day and before 3:30 PM. [See here](#) for maps and further parking information.
- Parking at [Jasper Place](#)
- Parking at St. Francis Xavier - Please park in the parking lot north of the school, on the west side of Annunciation Church. Do not park in the staff parking lot, which is just north of the school, during school hours. Entrance into the school for the main gym is through the NE school doors facing 163 St.

F. TICKETING

- All ticket options will be available on the School Sport Alberta Network. Ticket options will be available under the following options:
 - Day Pass - \$12
 - Tournament Pass - \$30
 - Children 10 & Under - Free; tickets not required.
- Please look for the 5A ticket options when purchasing tickets on the SSA network website. Please ensure you are purchasing either the day pass or the tournament pass that you are looking to purchase.
- Spectators can purchase event tickets at the link here: <https://www.watcheschoolsport.ca/ssaprovincialtickets/>

G. LIVE STREAMING

- All Live streaming will be accessible through the School Sport Alberta Network.
- Viewing packages will vary in price. Options will include the following:
 - Day Passes - \$12.00
 - Tournament Pass - \$30.00.
- For more information on streaming please go to the 4A Basketball Provincials website at: [2026 - SSA 5A Boys & Girls Basketball Provincials | School Sport Alberta](#)
- No secondary live streaming is allowed or permitted at this event. Failure to comply may lead to disciplinary action from SSA and hosts.

H. MERCHANDISE

- Northwest Designs will be available at Harry Ainlay High School on Thursday, and at the Saville Centre on Saturday inside the competition gym. They will have many different merchandise options for you to choose from.
- If you are not able to purchase your apparel at the event due to a shortage of stock, you will have the opportunity to make a team order after the event. For more information on how to place a post-event online order, please visit the apparel section of the championship website.

I. SPORTSMANSHIP

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD - NOMINATION BY QR CODE SIGNAGE

- These should be given to individuals who exhibit outstanding displays of integrity, fair play and good sportsmanship. They may be given to athletes, coaches, parents and spectators. These individuals should be recognized for bringing positive presence to the Championship and demonstrating consistent exemplary sportsmanlike behavior. Recipients of a sportsmanship award should show exemplary behavior.
 - Name, School, Jersey # (if applicable), and description of why they received the award.
 - Athlete/Coaches:
 - Conduct themselves in a positive nature/manner during, before and after the race
 - Be courteous, polite and friendly at all times
 - Show good sportsmanship during the race
 - Show concern, respect or empathy for an opponent-display an outstanding act of sportsmanship, ethics or integrity

SPECTATOR / PARENTS:

- Consistently give positive feedback to players/others
- Welcome opponents
- Positive comments before, during and after the game
- Be helpful to others (ie, willingly offer information about the championship, scheduling, venue locations, etc. to onlookers)

TEAM SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

- It is encouraged to get input from all participating teams, coaches, and fans when selecting the team sportsmanship award. By including the criteria for the award in the coaches' package, this will give each team a better understanding of what they should be looking for, as well as the behaviour that is expected of them. This will also give you a better sense of the opposing team's view on attitude, behavior and

overall sportsmanship during the game.

- One sportsmanship banner will be given to one team at the SSA Provincial Championship. The team receiving this award will represent the true spirit of sportsmanship, integrity, ethics and fair play
- At the end of each match, two winners will be selected for the SSA Sportsmanship Player of the Game award.
- Throughout the facilities, there will be a QR code that is available for spectators to scan, to nominate anybody that has demonstrated key aspects of sportsmanship throughout the event
- These nominations will be regularly reviewed by the committee throughout the event, and keychains will be distributed to celebrate certain individuals
- These nominations will also aid in the committee’s selection of the team sportsmanship recipient.
- The sportsmanship committee or appropriate representative should personally award players their sportsmanship pins, at an appropriate time. When presenting pins to the athletes, identify their name, school, behavior and compliment them on their outstanding and consistent good sportsmanship. If possible, present the tag using the PA system and in front of spectators. This presentation should be at an appropriate break in the action.

J. SOCIAL MEDIA

- We know that every picture tells a story. The moments we capture here—the hard work, the passion, the victories, and the sportsmanship—are what make these events so special. Our goal is to highlight these incredible memories and share them with the wider community. We encourage all of you, from athletes and coaches to parents and fans, to take photos and videos throughout the event.
- To make sure we can find and celebrate all of your amazing content, please tag us @schoolsportalberta and use our official hashtags: **#SchoolSportAlberta** or **#ssaprovs**. By using these hashtags, you help us showcase the best of School Sport Alberta and create a collective memory of this day
- Finally, please remember to be respectful and mindful of others' privacy when you are posting. Let's make this a positive and supportive experience for everyone, both in person and online

K. MEDICAL / EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN (EAP)

VENUE	Harry Ainlay, Strathcona, Jasper Place, St Francis Xavier, Saville
TOURNAMENT CHAIR	Fallon Middlemiss & Tyler Greenslade
EMERGENCY SERVICES POINT PERSON	Dwayne Laing 780-604-5667
LOCAL EMERGENCY SERVICES	(780) 407-8822 University of Alberta Hospital

- [Emergency Action Plan Harry Ainlay](#)
- [Emergency Action Plan Strathcona](#)
- [Emergency Action Plan Jasper Place](#)
- [Emergency Action Plan St. Francis Xavier](#)
- [Emergency Action Plan Saville](#)