

PRESS RELEASE

Jeux de la francophonie canadienne coming to Regina

Regina, October 10, 2025 — In May, the Fédération de la jeunesse canadienne-française (FICF) announced that Regina had been selected to host the 9th edition of the Jeux de la francophonie canadienne (JeuxFC) in 2028. For over a year, the bid committee has worked closely with the Government of Saskatchewan and the City of Regina to secure significant funding to ensure the success of the upcoming JeuxFC.

Last month, the Government of Saskatchewan's Cabinet confirmed \$200,000 in funding for the JeuxFC. "The Government of Saskatchewan is proud to support the 2028 Francophone Youth Games being hosted in the city of Regina," Minister Responsible for Tourism Saskatchewan and Minister Responsible for Francophone Affairs Alana Ross said. "This event provides an exciting opportunity to celebrate Francophone culture and identity, bringing young people together from across the country. It will also be a chance to highlight Regina's outstanding hosting capabilities and showcase the many vibrant contributions of Francophones to our province and our nation."

At the end of July, Regina's City Council Executive Committee approved \$100,000 in funding, along with \$50,000 of in-kind services for the JeuxFC. "We can't wait to welcome the Jeux de la francophonie canadienne to Regina in 2028 and showcase our hospitality, diversity and energy on a national stage," says Mayor Chad Bachynski. "This celebration of culture and sport is a testament to the vibrancy of our francophone community and the spirit of unity that defines our city. We look forward to creating unforgettable memories together and inspiring the next generation of leaders, artists and athletes."

These commitments demonstrate the dedication of both the Government of Saskatchewan and the City of Regina to this major national event, which will bring together French-speaking youth from across Canada. "We are grateful for the generous support of the Government of Saskatchewan and the City of Regina, which allows us to lay the foundation for an exemplary organization. This funding is essential to creating an unforgettable experience and supporting the growth of today's and tomorrow's leaders." said **Denis Simard**, President of the Organizing Committee of the Jeux de la francophonie canadienne — Regina 2028.

The organizing committee shared the good news with the FJCF, which has overseen the JeuxFC since 1999, and Simon Thériault, President, had this to say: "I would like to acknowledge the valuable support of the Government of Saskatchewan and the City of Regina for the 2028 JeuxFC. Thanks to our dedicated partners, we will be able to offer French-speaking youth an event where they can shine, come together, and celebrate their many identities. We look forward to working together to make this edition a resounding success!"

The Jeux de la francophonie canadienne (JeuxFC) is an initiative of the Fédération de la jeunesse canadienne-française and is funded in part by the Government of Canada. This major national event, created BY and FOR youth, brings together participants aged 14 to 18 in three areas: arts, leadership, and sports. Cultural activities and community engagement initiatives will showcase the richness of the host community and the diversity of the Canadian Francophonie.

For more information about the JeuxFC, visit www.jeuxfc.ca.

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