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# CANCELLATION OF THE JEUX DE LA FRANCOPHONIE CANADIENNE IN VICTORIA

Ottawa, December 15, 2021 – It is with great emotion that the [Fédération de la jeunesse canadienne-française \(FJCF\)](http://www.fjcf.ca) announces the cancellation of the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the [Jeux de la francophonie canadienne in Victoria \(JeuxFC\) \(Canadian Francophone Games\)](#).

This difficult decision is necessary in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Despite all the work that has been done to ensure the event could be held and the solid plans that have been put in place to make it happen, ensuring the health and safety of everyone involved with the JeuxFC is a priority, but also a formidable challenge.

In addition to the logistical constraints imposed by the pandemic, recruiting for all facets of this large-scale event has also proved difficult. As with all of its initiatives, the FJCF always strives to deliver positive experiences that live up to the reputation of previous editions. However, the current environment makes it nearly impossible to hold the JeuxFC.

“We share the great disappointment of the Francophone community of Victoria, of British Columbia, of the youth, as well as our members and partners who were committed to making these JeuxFC a can’t-miss event. We would like to thank and acknowledge the tireless work of the Victoria Organizing Committee, which has been on board since 2016,” says FJCF President Marguerite Tölgyesi.

The FJCF would also like to thank all the volunteers and employees who have believed in this adventure and who have devoted their energy to it over the years. We salute the partners, funders and suppliers who have believed in the JeuxFC since its inception. Their commitment to this event is undeniable and we thank them for their flexibility and especially their unwavering support despite the circumstances.

We would also like to thank the recruiting partners, mission teams and volunteers for all their efforts, support, understanding, collaboration and most of all their commitment to the JeuxFC over the years.

The FJCF and its primary funder, the Government of Canada, remain committed to this important flagship event for French-speaking youth across the country. The next edition of the event is scheduled for 2025.



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The [FJCF](#) is a national organization run “BY and FOR” youth, made up of eleven member youth associations in nine provinces and two territories. Founded in 1974, the FJCF represents the interests of French-speaking youth in Canada and helps them reach their full potential.

The [JeuxFC](#) is one of the largest gatherings of French-speaking youth in Canada. In addition to encouraging hundreds of young people to exercise their talents in three streams (arts, leadership and sports), the JeuxFC showcases their cultural pride, self-confidence and leadership skills in a context of healthy competition. The JeuxFC are an FJCF initiative and are funded in part by the [Government of Canada](#).

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