
Uplands Elementary/Uplands Montessori

4471 – 207 A Street Langley, BC V3A 5V8
Phone: 604-533-1285 Fax: 604-532-9748
School Website: <https://uplands.sd35.bc.ca/>

Principal: Ryan Neufeld
Email: ryneufeld@sd35.bc.ca

Admin Assistant: Deanna Halldorson
Email: dhalldorson@sd35.bc.ca



Family Fridge Memo Sept 13, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we settle into the new school year, I want to extend a warm welcome to all our students and families. Our dedicated staff is excited to embark on this journey of learning and growth with your children. Let's make this year a memorable one filled with achievements and joy.

Please find the link below, which will take you to the Langley School District's Student Code of Conduct:

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2020/12/AP_350_Student-Code-of-Conduct.pdf

Action Required:

- ☐ **Individual Photo Day – Tuesday Sept 17th** - Come dressed in your smiles. Ordering done on-line for quick turnaround – Retakes will be scheduled for a later date. Pictures arrive in time for the Holidays!

- ☐ **School Supplies** - School Supplies are here and packed individually for each child. Don't forget to **purchase through School Cash Online**.
(Please allow 24hrs for notification to arrive as the system needs to catch up)

<https://www.schoolcashonline.com/>

Kindergarten Families will pay a **School Supply Fee** (no supply list is generated). You will be supplied with a **School Cash Online information sheet** that contains your child's student number during your conferences. If you need help please contact the office.



- **Student Forms:** You should have received a brown envelope addressed to you, the package contains: Student Information Verification Form (Blue), Medical Form (Purple), NEW Student Reunification Release Form (White). **All forms need to be returned to the School by Sept 20th.**

Reunification Forms are for extreme emergencies (Ex: earthquake) Contacts outside of the lower mainland are recommended. See notice coming home for more information.

- **The following forms will be sent home to parents via a secure email link in the coming days from the Langley School District.** Media Release Consent, PAC Contact Information Consent, Information Technology User Agreement, Walking Field Trip Consent. (See below message from the district)

Parent Consent Request

Each year, Langley Schools asks families to complete a set of parent consent forms for their child. These consent forms are required by our schools to ensure the health, safety, and security of all students. Langley Schools uses a secure web form to collect this information. Beginning mid-September, please watch for an email request (subject Parent Consent Request) that contains one link for you to submit consents for all children in your family attending any Langley School. If your email address or contact information has changed, please call your school to correct it in our files. If you have not received an email regarding Parent Consent Request by the end of the month or have any questions/concerns, please contact your school administrator.

- **SchoolMessenger in the Langley School District**

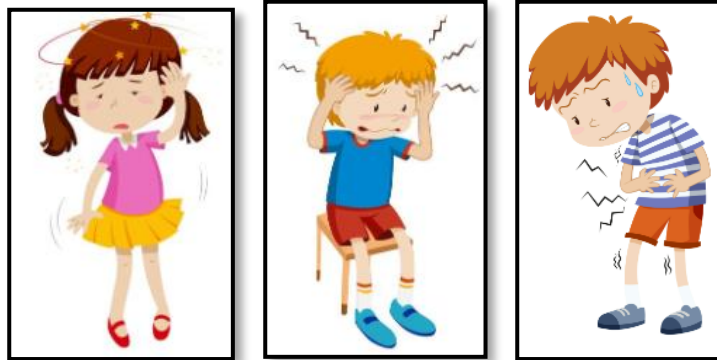
The Langley School District uses a notification system called SchoolMessenger to communicate information to families. As we welcome our new families to our schools, some parents/guardians may receive a text message notifying them about SchoolMessenger. For more information about the system and how to opt-in to receive text messages, visit the District webpage [here](#).



- ❑ **Busters Bistro** - Buster Bistro is a daily breakfast/lunch program that Uplands Staff will run. The goal of the program is to make sure all Uplands students have the nutrition needed to do their best learning. **Food will be distributed via the gym doors on the basketball court from 8:20am-8:35 am each day.**



- ❑ **First Full Day of Kindergarten – Sept 16, 2024**
- ❑ Please **do not send your child to School when they are sick.**
We recognize this is a hard ship for families. Please do not send your child to School even with the mildest of symptoms as **to insure the health and safety of everyone in the School Community.**



- ❑ Thank you for continuing to inform the office when your child is going to be absent, arriving late, away or leaving early due to an appointment.

Please call the School before 9:00 am 604-533-1285 press option 1 to leave voice mail message regarding an absence.

If you have any questions about attendance/absence procedures, contact the school office.



- ❑ Visit our **updated calendar** and **school events** found under the News & Events Section on the Uplands Website. <https://uplands.sd35.bc.ca/>

☐ **Meet the Teacher Night Grade 1 – 5**

Sept 26, 2024 @ 5:00 to 6:00

A - L 5:00 to 5:30

M - Z 5:30 to 6:00



There will be a short scavenger hunt for families to take part in during this evening. Please obtain an Open House Passport checklist from your child's classroom. When you complete the Open House Passport, drop it off in the draw box by 7pm (located near the front doors) to be entered in a draw for some prizes.

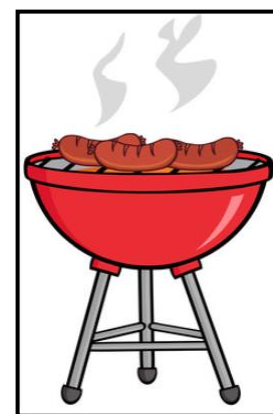
☐ **Welcome Back BBQ hosted by the PAC from 4:30 to 5:30**

Please click the link below and pre-order your dinner.

Order DEADLINE Sunday Sept 22nd

"Hey Uplands Families!

We're excited to invite you to our annual Meet Your Teacher BBQ! Join us for a fun-filled evening where you can enjoy delicious food and drinks and meet your child's teacher and classmates



Date: September 26, 2024, Time: 4:30pm

Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to connect with our amazing school community.

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/7c40efa1-31a0-4543-a38c-10e7114bd052>

☐ **Montessori Kindergarten Registration for the 2025 - 2026** begins online **Monday Oct 7, 2024**, at Noon – Please click the link below to get directed to the Choice Program Registration page.

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/programs-initiatives/programs-of-choice/>



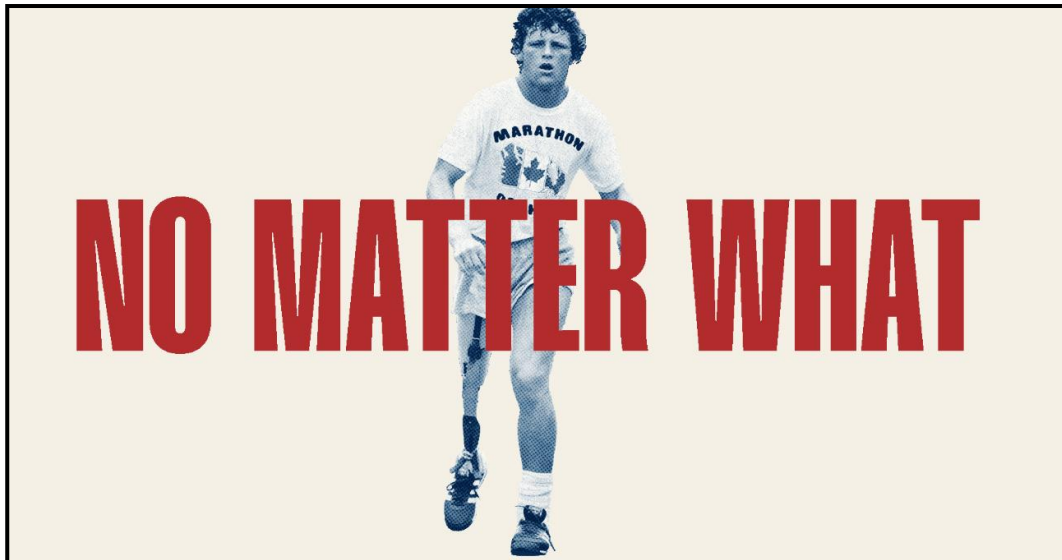
- Terry Fox said, "**Anything is possible if you try.**" Inspired by his amazing example, our school is proudly taking part in this year's **Terry Fox School Run**. Please consider supporting us in our **try** and help us raise much-needed funds for cancer research.

This year the Terry Fox Run will be done outside with the whole school participating Monday September 23, 2024, from 1:30 – 2:00.

We shall run around the school yard following the trail into the woods in a counterclockwise direction.

Please help show your support by donating to: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/73338>

This year there are many ways to donate, pledge sheets came home this week. bring a **Toonie (\$2.00) for Terry on Thursday Sept 19th**, online through the link above.



Important Dates:

- ☐ Sept 17 - **Individual Photo Day**
- ☐ Sept 20 - Peace Day Assembly @ 2:00
- ☐ Sept 23 - Terry Fox Run @ 1:30
- ☐ Sept 24 - Fire Drill
- ☐ Sept 26 - Meet the Teacher Night: Grades 1 – 5 @ 5:00 – 6:00
Welcome Back BBQ hosted by the PAC 4:30 – 5:30
- ☐ Sept 27 - Recognize Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day)
- ☐ Sept 30 - **Truth and Reconciliation Day – School Not In Session**
- ☐ Oct 3 - Earthquake Drill
- ☐ Oct 4 - **School Improvement Day – Students Not In Session**
- ☐ Oct 11 - Lockdown Drill
- ☐ Oct 14 - **Thanksgiving – School Closed**
- ☐ Oct 18 - Hot Lunch
- ☐ Oct 24 - PAC Halloween Dance
- ☐ Oct 25 - **Professional Development Day – Students Not In Session**
- ☐ Oct 28 - Photo Retake Day

From the District

☐ **Child Day Event at Church in the Valley – October 4, 2024**

A free one-day expo that aims to connect families of pre-K learners with important resources is planned for next month. Child Day will be held on Friday October 4 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Church in the Valley, and will feature community agencies, a marketplace, door prizes and more. See attached poster for details and ticket information or learn more here:

<https://buytickets.at/inclusionangleysociety/1302946>



FREE EVENT

LANGLEY CHILD DAY



COMMUNITY INFORMATION FAIR FOR THE EARLY YEARS

Caregivers can explore and gather valuable resources and information about child care, early learning programs, child development and more. This event is **FREE** for families and caregivers with children from birth to kindergarten age and expectant parents.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024
CHURCH IN THE VALLEY
23589 OLD YALE RD, LANGLEY
10:00AM – 1:00PM



SCAN
ME

TO REGISTER
or find us on
TICKET TAILOR

- ✓ Information booths
- ✓ Door prizes
- ✓ Market place
- ✓ Children's entertainment
- ✓ Play activities
- ✓ Giveaways

<https://buytickets.at/inclusionlangleysociety/1302946>



School District #35 (Langley)
2024-2025 School Calendar
Elementary Schools

MONTH	DATE	
September	Sep 2 (M)	<i>Labour Day (Schools Closed)</i>
	Sep 3 (T)	Schools Open
	Sep 30 (M)	<i>Truth and Reconciliation Day (Schools Closed)</i>
October	Oct 4 (F)	<i>School Improvement Day (students not in attendance)</i>
	Oct 14 (M)	<i>Thanksgiving (Schools Closed)</i>
	Oct 25 (F)	<i>Professional Development Day (Provincial - students not in attendance)</i>
November	Nov 8 (F)	<i>Learning Update Prep/Design & Assessment Day (students not in attendance)</i>
	Nov 11 (M)	<i>Remembrance Day (Schools Closed)</i>
	Nov 27 (W)	Student Inclusive Conferences
	Nov 28 (Th)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences
December	Dec 20 (F)	Last Day Prior to Winter Break
January	Jan 6 (M)	Schools Re-Open After Winter Break
February	Feb 10 (M)	<i>Professional Development Day (District - students not in attendance)</i>
	Feb 17 (M)	<i>Family Day (Schools Closed)</i>
	Feb 24 (M)	<i>Learning Update Prep/Design & Assessment Day (students not in attendance)</i>
March	Mar 5 (W)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences
	Mar 6 (Th)	Student Inclusive Conferences
	Mar 14 (F)	Last Day Prior to Spring Break
	Mar 31 (M)	Schools Re-Open After Spring Break
April	Apr 18 (F)	<i>Good Friday (Schools Closed)</i>
	Apr 21 (M)	<i>Easter Monday (Schools Closed)</i>
May	May 16 (F)	<i>Professional Development Day (District - students not in attendance)</i>
	May 19 (M)	<i>Victoria Day (Schools Closed)</i>
June	Jun 26 (Th)	Final Learning Update Issued & Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation
	Jun 27 (F)	<i>Administrative Day (students not in attendance)</i>
July / August		Summer Session

View our Gourmet Foods by scanning the QR code below
All of your favorites are just a click away...

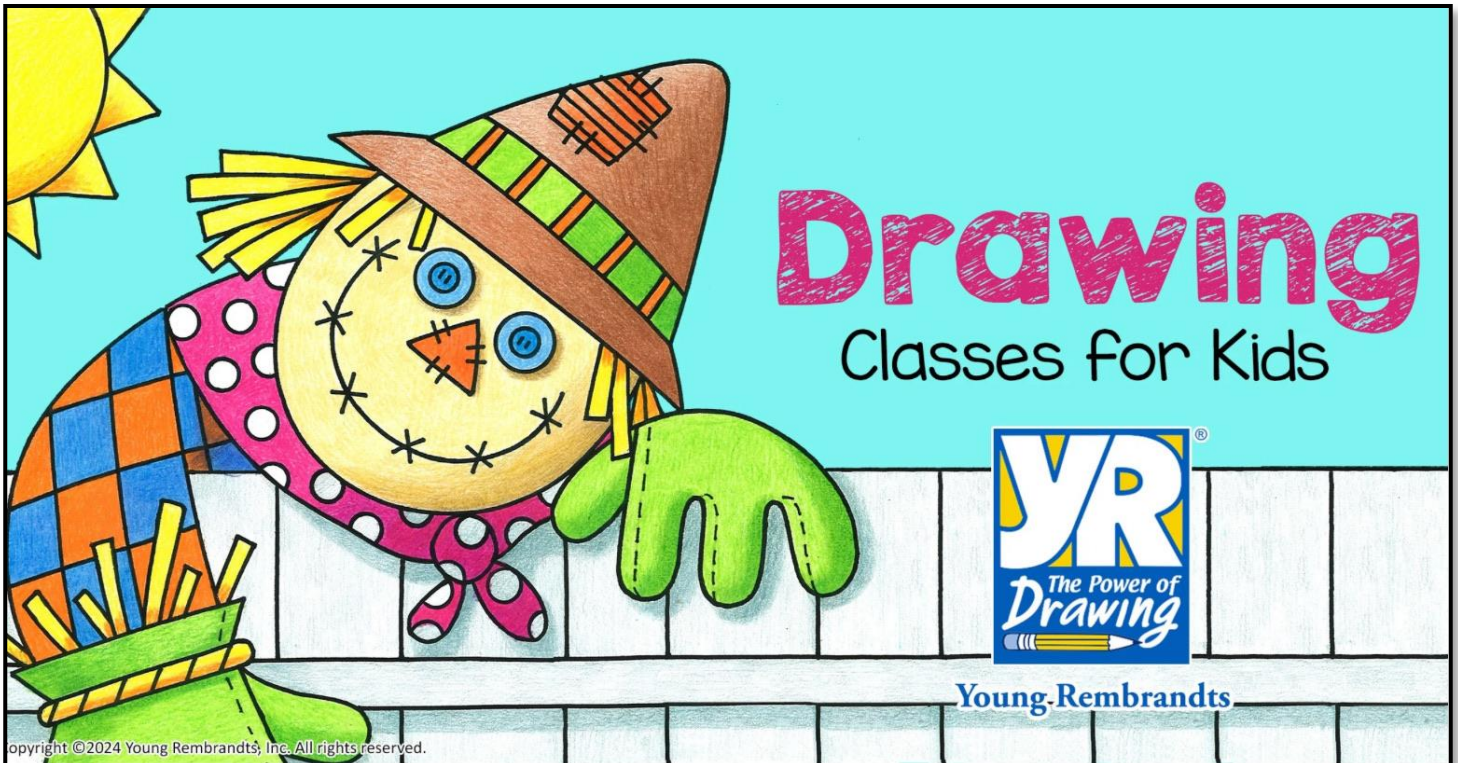


**Uplands Elementary
NEUFELD FARMS FUNDRAISER**

Orders In By: September 25 2024, end of day
Pick up: October 4th 2024, 2:30 pm



<https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2024-uplands-elementary-eef8e52d6c>



copyright ©2024 Young Rembrandts, Inc. All rights reserved.



AFTERSCHOOL CLASSES AT: UPLANDS ELEM.

Young Rembrandts teaches drawing, the fundamental skill of visual arts, to children. We intentionally offer child-friendly and relevant subject matter to spark children's interest and increase knowledge retention. Our classes are fun, engaging and offer children a safe, comfortable place to talk about art, learn drawing skills and have fun while surrounded by creativity and encouragement.

CLASS Dates: Sept.25-Dec. 18/24



DAY:WEDNSDAYS

TIME: 2:35 - 3:35 PM

Room: Library

\$260 for 12 weeks

*Excluded Days posted online



ENROLLMENT

Visit our website :

www.youngrembrandts.com/lowermainland



Pro D Day Camps In Fort Langley

Oct. 4/24 Safari Camp w/Urban Safari
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Cost: \$65

Oct.25/24 Magical Halloween
Featuring " Gary The Magic Guy"
9:00 Am - 3:00 PM Cost:\$65

Register Online

WE ARE HIRING...EMAIL OR TEXT FOR MORE INFO

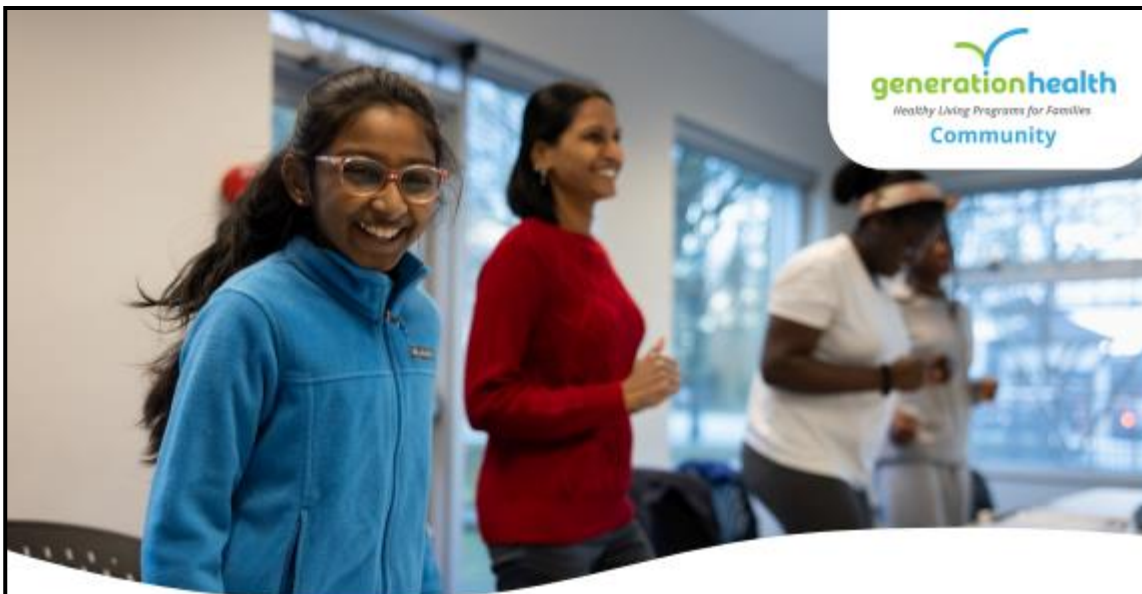
Young Rembrandts Lower Mainland
Is proud to be a locally owned &
operated company!



604-724-7919

www.youngrembrandts.com/lowermainland

artsbc@youngrembrandts.com



Free Fall Program for Families!

Learn about healthy eating, physical activity, and building long-lasting habits as a family in Generation Health Community. This 10-week program for families with children ages 8 to 12 is FUN and interactive!

Delivered through YMCA BC starting October 2024 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings.

Families who join this program will receive a complimentary YMCA membership.

**Register
today!**




gv.ymca.ca/generation-health-community
generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca




**University
of Victoria**



RCMP reminds Canadians about violent online groups targeting youth

 August 27, 2024

News release

 Ottawa, Ontario

The RCMP National Security Program is working with the National Child Exploitation Crime Centre to protect youth from the threat of violent online groups.

These online groups have ties to known Ideologically Motivated Violent Extremist (IMVE) entities and are targeting youth online with the intention of getting them to record or live-stream acts of self-harm, suicide, animal torture and/or produce child sexual abuse material. The footage is then circulated among online networks and used to further control and extort the young victims. In many cases, perpetrators are minors themselves. Victims may end up being encouraged or coerced into victimizing others.

Key motivators for members of these groups are to spread their ideology, gain notoriety, collect extreme violent online content, and rise in status within their groups.

They operate on publicly available platforms, including gaming platforms, social media sites and mobile applications that are popular with youth (Roblox, Discord, Minecraft, Twitch, Telegram, Steam, etc.). This type of offence usually starts with a direct message through gaming platforms and can move to more private chatrooms on other virtual platforms, typically one with video enabled features, where the conversation quickly becomes sexualized or violent.

One of the tactics being used by these actors is sextortion, however, they are not using it to extract money or for sexual gratification. Instead they use it to further manipulate and control victims to produce more harmful and violent content as part of their ideological objectives and radicalization pathway.

One IMVE group targeting children is commonly known as the 764 network (or "the com") but goes by various monikers. Some of the largest sub-groups are known as: CVLT, Court, Kaskar, Harm Nation, Leak Society, 7997, 8884, 2992, 6996, 555, Slit Town, 545, 404, NMK, 303, and H3ll.

There are many major crimes being committed by these groups. Most concerning is the sexual exploitation, harm inflicted on children and animals, and aim to get victims to commit suicide on camera.

Warning signs

The following are some key indicators that your child could be the target of an IMVE group creating child sexual abuse and violent content online:

- They are on the mobile application Discord, Telegram or other encrypted communications platforms and for which you have no visibility as a parent.
- They are receiving anonymous gifts, items delivered to your home, currency, gaming currency or other virtual items.
- They are demonstrating an interest or affinity to extreme messaging online, including conspiracy theories, anti-government rhetoric, or sympathy/support toward extreme messaging or online propaganda.
- They are demonstrating a newfound and abrupt interest in questioning or rejecting moral constraints on their behaviour, together with an interest in Nazism, school shootings, serial killers, or occultism.
- Family pets or other animals are being harmed or die suspiciously.
- You notice a family pet is uncharacteristically avoiding or fearful of your child or you.
- Writing in blood or what appears to be blood.
- They have a new online "friend" or network they seem infatuated with and/or scared of.
- They are covering their skin in unusual ways.
- They are going through more bandages, or showing evidence of cuts, carvings on their skin, stab wounds and more.
- They are more quiet than usual and uncharacteristically withdrawn.
- They are excessively moody and on edge.
- Their grades are dropping.
- They are spending more time on the internet, unsupervised or alone in their room.
- They are spending more money online or asking for money more often than usual.
- They are scrawling names and/or numbers in notebooks, diaries, loose papers.

Note

These indicators alone may not be significant, however when considering them in clusters or with the totality of circumstances, could have more meaning and reason for concern.

Help us take action

Canadian victims have come forward and there are likely more victims across the country.

We ask parents, guardians and adults in positions of authority to keep an eye out for indicators that a child or youth is being targeted or exploited and report the information to [Cybertip.ca](https://cybertip.ca) (<https://cybertip.ca/en/report/>) or your local police. If you believe someone is in immediate danger, please call 9-1-1.

Your report could be the missing piece to preventing more harm.

Related links

- [Canadian Centre for Child Protection \(https://protectchildren.ca/en/\)](https://protectchildren.ca/en/)
- [National Child Exploitation Crime Centre \(https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/online-child-sexual-exploitation\)](https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/online-child-sexual-exploitation)
- [Public Safety Canada \(https://www.canada.ca/en/public-safety-canada/campaigns/online-child-sexual-exploitation.html\)](https://www.canada.ca/en/public-safety-canada/campaigns/online-child-sexual-exploitation.html)

–30–

Contact information

RCMP Media Relations

rcmp.hqmediarelations-dgrelationsmedias.grc@rcmp-grc.gc.ca (<mailto:rcmp.hqmediarelations-dgrelationsmedias.grc@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>)

613-843-5999

Date modified:

2024-08-27

<https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/news/2024/rcmp-reminds-canadians-violent-online-groups-targeting-youth?s=08>