# 1 WEEK TO GO! LONDON YOUTH GAMES SCHOOL GAMES FINALS



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# Dear LYG Team Manager

With one week to go before our 2019 School Games Summer Finals on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July, it brings me great pleasure in sending you the final event day information for this prestigious occasion.

This letter also gives Team LYG the opportunity to say thank you to yourselves and the London School Games Organiser network for your commitment in delivering high quality inter-school qualifying rounds and your ongoing dedication to youth sport in London.

Last year, the London Youth Games reached a monumental milestone of 1.5 million young Londoners participating in the Games since its inception in 1977. We are dedicated to offering

an inclusive platform for young Londoners to come together to achieve more through sport, and as we continue to move forward, we are committed to ensuring this remains at the heart of all that we do.

Be sure to follow us on social media and share your sporting journeys and memories with us!

We look forward to welcoming you and your school to the London Youth Games School Games Finals 2019 at Crystal Palace National Sports Centre.



# **COME CELEBRATE THE DAY WITH US!**

# **OPENING CEREMONY**

- Join us at the official opening of the Games in the Borough village area! Opening ceremony will take place 09:15am – 09:45am.
- Joelle from At Your Beat will be hosting a mass Borough Village warm-up following the Opening Ceremony to get you hyped, warmed up and ready for the days' activities. Make sure you get involved!
- Important note Teams will not be permitted to register at a sport until the opening ceremony has finished! So, join us in the village and celebrate with your Borough.

#### **BOROUGH VILLAGE**

- When not competing, make sure you come along and enjoy the atmosphere in the Borough Village area.
- There will be FREE face painting, body art and a chance to get fit and blend your own smoothies by pedalling on our smoothie bikes.

#### **MEDAL CEREMONIES**

 All medal ceremonies will take place on stage at Borough Village. Make sure you come along to Borough Village to support your borough teams.

# **SUPPORT YOUR BOROUGH!**

- Spectators are of course welcome onsite however, there is limited parking so please encourage family and friends to take public transport where possible.
- An official programme will be available at each sport competition and at the information tent in borough village.

# **SMILE YOU'RE ON CAMERA**

- Photo and Filming Consent: Professional photographers/videographers will be onsite
  capturing great footage of all events during the day. Please check photo consent of
  your young people before leaving school and notify LYG at the sport registration desk
  if any competitors do not have photo/filming consent.
- If any spectators want to take photos please register these at the relevant competition desk.

# **SHOUT ABOUT YOUR SUCCESS!**

- Please follow us on Instagram and twitter @ldnyouthgames.
- When posting make sure you use our hash tag #ThisisLYG and tag us in your photos @ldnyouthgames.
- Use the LYG borough GIFs found on Instagram by typing in your borough!
- If you haven't done so already, be sure to download the **LYG app** here



#### **RESPECT THE GAMES**

- At LYG we want to celebrate the values of Fairness, Ambition, Inclusion and Respect.

  Therefore, all teams will be asked to take part in the LYG Respect the Games Campaign by nominating another team in their competition showing these values.
- Anyone involved in the games must be made aware of the LYG Code of Conduct here
  and agree to abide by the principles. A breach in the code may jeopardise involvement
  in the games.





# REPRESENTING YOUR BOROUGH?

# **COMPETITION INFO**

 All teams should have a copy of the rules and competition day information which can be found on specific competition page <u>here</u>.

# **RUNNING LATE?**

 Please call or text 0794 441 4192 with your School/ Borough name and which competition you have entered. This GamesLine number is always manned and this allows you to get the message through to the right people on the day.



# **EVENT DAY INFORMATION**

# **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

- Risk Assessment is available for download here.
- Remind children (and adults) not to leave bags unattended onsite.
- Come prepared for the British Weather! Please bring hats and plenty of sun cream if the weather is hot. Remember to stay hydrated.
- No gazebos are permitted to be installed across site.

#### **SECURITY**

Security staff will be located around the site, on the car park and some sports
monitoring and aiding the crowd movement. Please work with them to ensure we have
a safe and enjoyable Summer Finals.

#### **MEDICS AND TOILETS**

 Will be located around the site. Please ask a volunteer for directions if you need help locating.

#### **WELFARE**

Please ring 07508 736247 if you have any concerns for yourself or another individual.
 There will be a designated Welfare officer onsite.

# **QUESTIONS ON THE DAY?**

 Please go to your Registration table at your competition or the Information Tent in Borough Village and we will be able direct your question to the right person.





#### **HUNGRY OR THIRSTY?**

- There will be water stations in positions around site. In the interests of reducing plastic
  waste from discarded water bottles we will NOT be providing water bottles. Please
  encourage the young people/spectators to bring a bottle with them for the day and
  they can refill it from the stations.
- Refreshments will be available to buy from the café in the main centre. Please note
  however, this café gets very busy and there may well be queues.
- Teams are welcome to bring their own lunches on site, but please help and make sure you clear the rubbish away after use.



# **TRAVEL ADVICE**

- Address Crystal Palace National Sport Centre, SE19 2BB.
- Parking all parking onsite is free for both teams and spectators. Please be aware it does get busy and Teams will get priority parking over spectators!
- Catching the train? Nearest stations are Crystal Palace or Penge West. Advisable to plan and check your journey in advance <a href="https://www.southernrailway.com">www.southernrailway.com</a>
- Site Map Please find here.



#### JOIN US AT LYG FINALE WEEKEND 2019!

Each year the LYG summer season culminates in a fantastic showcase of activity across multiple sports taking place this year on the weekend of 6 and 7 July. If you have some free time on your hands and fancy seeing some sporting action, please do come down to Crystal Palace and celebrate sporting success and support your boroughs!

There will be new, fun activities to try such as Skateboarding, Dance and NFL, <u>FREE</u> face painting, hair brading and body art as well as 16 different sporting events across the weekend!

Come and celebrate with us!

Click attending on the LYG Finale Weekend Facebook Event for all the latest info!



The biggest year of London Youth Games is upon us!

Team LYG look forward to welcoming you and your team. Wish you all the best of luck in your journey to becoming London Champions!

