

Dear Parasport Nova Scotia,

I hope that this email finds you well. My name is Mr. Andrew Kroon. My colleague Mr. Alec MacDonald and I are the physical education and exercise science teachers at St. Francis Xavier High School. I am reaching out to you in hopes that you will consider collaborating with us to teach our students about wheelchair basketball and how to play.

Inclusive practices and accessible learning are very important parts of our teaching/curriculum, and we both believe that having a lesson or a couple lessons dedicated to wheelchair basketball would be a very valuable lesson on these topics for our students. Whereas you are very experienced with the sport and have the resources for such a large group of people to be able to participate in the sport, it would be an incredible opportunity for us to get to work with you on this. I believe that by hearing from someone with personal experience and expertise, my students would receive a significantly meaningful, and real-world perspective on inclusion, accessibility, and resilience. Your demonstration of the sport would not only help students gain a better understanding of the fundamentals of wheelchair basketball but also challenge their current perceptions of athleticism and physical abilities.

If there is any such thing as a school outreach program from your organization, we would love to coordinate with them. Otherwise, we are more than willing to work with whatever availability you have in order to make this special lesson a reality for our students. If you need any additional resources or facilities, please let us know and we will do whatever we can to try and accommodate those requests.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message and I hope you will consider collaborating with us to help create a more inclusive environment within our school by teaching our students the value of unified/accessible sports. I hope to hear from you in the near future!

Sincerely,
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