



YMCA Elphinstone Outdoor Education Centre



"Our group has been coming to Elphinstone for the past eight years. We love the location and the variety of programs that are available to our students. The group leaders were very well-trained and really broke down the skills into manageable parts for the students."
—Frost Road Elementary

Now booking for spring 2022!

There's nothing quite like the great outdoors.

Our Outdoor Education program is designed to get kids active and learning outdoors. Through meaningful experiential learning, kids develop strong and healthy minds and bodies while they learn and grow with friends. Operating out of YMCA Camp Elphinstone on B.C.'s beautiful Sunshine Coast, our Outdoor Education program offers 144 acres of oceanfront property with natural rainforest, quiet creeks and a rocky shoreline. Just a 40-minute ferry ride from Vancouver and walking distance from the Langdale ferry terminal in Gibsons, Camp Elphinstone is conveniently located, allowing schools from all across the Lower Mainland to experience all that our outdoor education centre has to offer. Our program operates from September to June and is open seven days a week.

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Programming is customized for each group and designed to fulfill BC Ministry of Education prescribed learning outcomes.

Participants benefit from:

- Structured activities like our discovery hike or marine beach study that teach about marine wildlife or the ecosystem.
- Programming that focuses on skill development such as archery, orienteering or outdoor living skills.
- Activities like our high or low ropes courses that encourage leadership and team building.
- Water-based programming such as kayaking, canoeing, swimming or fishing.
- Games and sports with an emphasis on physical activity, strategy and teamwork.

Location:

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For more information, check out our [2021 School Information Guide HERE!](#)