

The Grand Prize– June 15 and 16, 2019

Parent/Tutor and Chaperone Information

We are happy to inform you that, as a result of your child's successful participation in the Energy Cubes Challenge, his or her school school has been selected as one of the **Grand Prize** lucky winners!

We thank you for supporting the school in collecting Energy Cubes during the month of May.

This letter aims to provide you with all the useful information related to the **Grand Prize** in order to best prepare your child for this amazing experience!

WHAT IS THE GRAND PRIZE ?

The Grand Prize will be held from Saturday, June 15th, to Sunday, June 16th, at the Olympic Stadium as well as at *La Ronde* in Montreal. Over 4200 children and 800 parent volunteers from schools throughout Quebec will gather for this incredible event, each school representing a provincial administrative region. Again this year, the Grand défi will also welcome students from other Canadian provinces.

Click [here](#) to see a video of the 2017 Grand Prize.

This letter contains important information about the preparation for The Grand Prize.

Please ensure you :

- Carefully read this letter**
- Fill the online registration form before June 10th, 5h00 pm**
- Prepare and identify your child's baggage (child AND school name)**
- Prepare your child's meals and snacks if he or she has food allergies or restrictions**
- Make sure your child is wearing a t-shirt matching his or her group color**

Many fun activities are planned for the weekend, including an acrobatic show, Yannick Bergeron's science demonstration, a full day at *La Ronde* amusement park and much more! Please see attached complete schedule for details.

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COST

All events and meals at the Montreal Olympic Stadium and La Ronde are entirely **free**; A representative for Le Grand Défi Pierre Lavoie will be in contact with your school regarding transportation.

TRANSPORTATION

The Bus Carrier Federation (Fédération des transporteurs par autobus, FTA) provides school bus transportation for all students and volunteer parents of the province of Quebec. Travel will be by school bus, unless otherwise agreed upon by the school and Le Grand Défi Pierre Lavoie. If so, your school will provide you with all the details.

Specific travel plans and costs will be discussed individually for schools outside of Québec.

GOING TO MONTREAL

Your child's school will provide you with the confirmed departure time and place to the Montreal Olympic Stadium.

RETURNING HOME

Your child's school will provide you with the confirmed time and place of the return home.

WHO IS INVITED TO THE OLYMPIC STADIUM AND LA RONDE?

All students of the winning schools, **except kindergarten age children**, whose special activity will happen directly at the school through a partnership between the school administration and Le Grand Défi.

- Chaperones (teachers, staff members, parents, brothers or sisters over 18). Each winning school must maintain a ratio of 1 chaperone for every 5 children.
- A school coordinator (school staff member in contact with LeGDPL)
- A member of the school administration

**** This event is not open to the public. Parents and friends will only be admitted on site if they are chaperoning a group of students.***

STUDENT SUPERVISION

Student supervision follows a 1 to 5 ratio guideline, 1 chaperone being responsible for every 5 students. Chaperones may include staff members, parents or other responsible adults, 18 or older. Chaperones will be in charge of supervising children AT ALL TIMES during the weekend.

SUPERVISION AT THE OLYMPIC STADIUM

More than 375 volunteers will also be on site throughout the event, insuring everyone's enjoyment and safety.

SUPERVISION AT LA RONDE

Chaperones and school coordinators will ensure supervision. A team of volunteers will also be on site when the children arrive at La Ronde, during their lunch break and when the leave to go home.

SCHOOL COORDINATOR

Your school coordinator will plan ahead the weekend through direct contact with *Le Grand Défi Pierre Lavoie*. The school coordinator is your main contact person and he or she will be assisted the school's administration.

The school coordinator will provide you with his/her phone number, should you need to be in contact with your child/children.

MEALS

All meals taken at the Olympic Stadium and La Ronde are free. A total of four meals will be served: 2 dinners, 1 lunch, 1 breakfast and 2 snacks. Other meals (if applicable) must be paid for by the parents and/or schools. See menu appendix for details.

We strongly recommend that children with food allergies or restrictions bring their own meals and snacks for the weekend. A refrigerator will be available on site to store their food. Please insure food bags and containers are well identified. We ask parents to inform their school coordinator of any food allergies or restrictions when registering online for the **Grand Prize**.

WHAT TO BRING ALONG?

We suggest that all bring the bare minimum, since students **must be able to carry their bags themselves**.

You will find attached a list of items to be packed in a small bag.

Participants will be divided in four main colour groups (blue, green, yellow, pink) according to their administrative region. Colours will be used to guide students and facilitate logistics over the weekend. See colour chart appendix.

If they wish to do so, schools can provide students with custom t-shirts matching their group colors. If your school decides not to provide students with t-shirts, we ask parents to please dress their child with the colour of his or her group, as shown below for each administrative region.

WHAT IS SUPPLIED BY THE GRAND DÉFI

- A sleeping pad for the weekend
- A water bottle

Important: You must provide a pillow and a sleeping bag for your child.

Bear in mind your child will carry his/her own bag, as will thousands of others. So, please use only one bag and do not overstuff it.

**** Do not forget to identify the bag with first and last names, along with the name of the school.**

IDENTIFICATION BRACELET

A **Grand Prize** bracelet will be provided to all students. Chaperones will write the name of the school, child and cell phone number of the school coordinator on the bracelet. Students must wear their bracelet at all times.

ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM: MANDATORY

We ask parents to complete the [online registration form](https://inscription.legdpl.com/inscription-jeunes), (Available in French only) (<https://inscription.legdpl.com/inscription-jeunes>), in order for their child to participate.

→ Before **5h00 PM, on June 10** ←

The online registration form includes a parental consent form, emergency contact information, as well as specific information related to the student (allergies, medication etc.). Online registration must be completed by all students as well as by all chaperones.

MEDIA

Numerous media crews will be on site to capture memorable moments. Be informed that pictures, videos and images may be used by the **Grand défi Pierre Lavoie** and by the media.

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Adult volunteers are as much needed as they are appreciated. If you want to volunteer as a school chaperone, please fill the form in Appendix 5 and hand it in to your school's administration to express your interest. ***Every school MUST have AT LEAST 1 adult for 5 students in order to take part in this great weekend.***

The school administration will contact you to let you know if you have been selected.

GRAND PRIZE VOLUNTEERS FOR LE GRAND DEFI PIERRE LAVOIE

Le Grand Défi Pierre Lavoie is also recruiting volunteers to help guide and direct students during the Grand Prize weekend. Please follow this [link](#) to the registration website if you wish to volunteer (form available in French only). A representative from Le Grand Défi will be in contact with you to let you know if your have been selected.

Actions to be Taken	Avant le
Read parent/tutor letter	June 6 to 7
Register your child online (https://inscription.legdpl.com/inscription-jeunes) (Form available in French only)	June 10 5 PM

We again want to thank you for carefully preparing your child for an amazing weekend. We are looking forward to welcoming him/her to this unforgettable event!

Le Grand défi Pierre Lavoie Team

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Appendix 1

SCHEDULE

SATURDAY JUNE 15

13:00	Yellow and Green groups arrive
13:15	Bag drop-off, washroom break and water bottle pickup for Yellows and Greens
13:30	Pink and Blue groups arrive
13:45	Bag drop-off, , washroom break and water bottle pickup for Pinks and Blues
14:30	Welcoming
14:40	Acrobatic show
14:45	Meeting for all school coordinators and volunteers and the Volunteer Room
15:20	Pinks and Blues move to East Halls
15:35	Great Recess activity for Pinks and Blues and Force 4 Experience for Greens and Yellows
16:20	Pinks and Blues walk to the play area and Greens and Yellows to the East Halls
16:30	Great Recess activity for Greens and Yellows and Force 4 Experience for Pinks and Blues
17:10	Meal distribution for Pinks and Blues
17:35	Greens and Yellows walk to play area
17:40	Meal distribution for Greens and Yellows
18:45	Show by Yannick Bergeron
20:15	Picture taking
20:30	Walk to sleep zones
20:45	Yoga activity at the sleep zones
21:00	Sleeping arrangements
21:10	Television program for children
21:30	Lullaby + SLEEP

SUNDAY JUNE 16

5:30	Silent cartoon show on TV
6:00	Wakey-wakey!
6:00	Bag packing for departure
6:20	Bedside breakfast
7:00	On-stage presentation and instructions for La Ronde
7:30	Students walk to buses
8:00	Arrival at La Ronde
9:00	
11:00	Lunch at l'Agora
13:00	

THE GRAND PRIZE FOOD MENU

Meals	Menu
SATURDAY - JUNE 15	
Snack	Bottle of water, 100 ml Coaticook ice cream cup and one chewy bar (peanut free)
Dinner	Ground turkey shepherd's pie, apple sauce, single serve milk carton, carrot cake (nut and peanut free)
Snack	Cheese stick
SUNDAY - JUNE 16	
Breakfast	Chocolate muffin, single serve chocolate milk carton, yogurt in various flavours, banana, orange juice
Lunch	Chicken spread on naan bread, raw vegetables, water, fruit juice, cheese stick, chewy bar (peanut free) and fruit sauce
Dinner	Chicken salad sandwich, vegetable juice, water, crudités, yogurt in various flavours, apple and brownies.

*Food surpluses are donated to Moisson Montreal.

** **Common Food Allergies:** We strongly encourage parents of children with food allergies or restriction to provide their child's meals and snacks. A refrigerator is available at the Allergies booths for children to store a well-identified lunch box. Volunteers will be able to inform children of the presence of main allergens in meals (eggs, nuts, peanuts, gluten, lactose).

Appendix 3

TO BE PACKED IN A BAG

- Medication and dosage (if applicable)
- T-shirt matching his or her group color
- Pajamas
- Toothbrush
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- A change of underwear
- Comfortable clothing and running shoes (**mandatory for inflatable games**)
- Hat or cap
- Warm clothing
- Sunscreen
- Raingear
- Health insurance card (to be given to the volunteer parent)
- Written down phone number of the chaperone
- Bag identification tag with name of school and child

SCHOOL COLOR GROUPS

YELLOW	PINK	GREEN	BLUE
New Brunswick			

Appendix 5

I WISH TO VOLUNTEER AS A SCHOOL CHAPERONE Olympic Stadium and La Ronde, Montréal

Saturday June 15 and Sunday June 16, 2019

- Volunteers must be **18 years** old or older.
- Every chaperone will be responsible for 5 students during the entire weekend and 24 hours a day.
- Chaperones refer to the school coordinator if and when needed.

Note: **School Coordinators** are responsible for the planning of this great weekend. They will be in direct contact with Le Grand défi Pierre Lavoie. School Coordinators are also the contact point of both volunteers and parents. School Coordinators will be assisted by a staff member from the school Principal's office.



Express your interest in becoming a volunteer

Chaperone Reply Slip to hand in to school administration

Adult's Last name	
Adult's First name	
Child/Children Last name, First name and grade level	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____
Relationship with child/children	
Telephone	
Email	

→ Thank you for handing this form to the School Coordinator who will follow up with you. Volunteer selection is the responsibility of the school's Principal office.

Thank you!