



2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

YOUR COUNTY, YOUR FUTURE

Municipal Election Guide 2021: Casting Your Ballot

Lac La Biche County is offering a number of ways for residents to vote in the upcoming municipal election which takes place on Monday, October 18, 2021.

On Election Day, voting stations will be open from 9 am to 8 pm in Lac La Biche, Plamondon, Hylo, Owl River, Craigend and Rich Lake.

Advance Voting

Voters will have several chances to cast their ballots before Election Day at advance voting stations on these dates:

- Oct. 9, 10 am-4 pm - Plamondon and Lac La Biche
- Oct. 13, 12 pm-8 pm - Lac La Biche
- Oct. 15, 12 pm-8 pm - Lac La Biche

Specific voting locations will be available at llbcvotes.ca.

Special Ballot (Mail-In Voting)

If you are unable to vote at one of the Advance Votes or on Election Day due to physical incapacity, or if you are out of County, you may apply to vote by special (mail-in) ballot. Applications for special ballots will be accepted until 4 pm on Election Day. Mailing of special ballots will begin approximately

one week following the close of nominations and they must be returned to the Returning Officer by 5 pm on Election Day.

Identification Requirements

As a friendly reminder, identification requirements will remain, as in past elections. Please remember to bring one piece of identification that meets the provincial requirement.

Senate and Referendum Votes

Voters will also be able to cast their ballots in the provincial referendum and Senate elections.

Public Health

Public health safety measures will be in place at all voting stations on Election Day. Due to the changing nature of the pandemic, please visit llbcvotes.ca to see the latest information regarding masking and distancing requirements.

In Addition

To learn more about any of the topics discussed in this article and to view election results, please visit llbcvotes.ca.

Join us for Waste Reduction Week activities from October 18-24

Waste Reduction Week takes place October 18-24, and Lac La Biche County is hosting several events to help you cut down on waste.

All week (October 18-24).

There will be no residential tipping fees at our landfills for residential waste and recycling. Residential waste and recycling is free year round if it's less than 500 kg (1102 lbs).

Monday, October 18 - Landfill tours for schools.

As part of Waste Reduction Week, Lac La Biche County has invited local schools to participate in tours of the Plamondon Landfill.

Tuesday October 19, 6-8pm, McArthur Place - Vermicomposting Workshop (with LICA Environmental Stewards).

Learn the basics of year-round composting – with worms! Composting is a great way to turn organic waste into fertilizer. Build your own vermicomposting bin to take home (one per household). Space is limited so please register in advance by emailing: green@laclabichedcounty.com, or calling (780) 623-6739.

Thursday October 21 - What is Permaculture?

Portage College presents an overview on permaculture, focusing on soil regeneration and an industrial sized dehydration process that can reduce the amount of organics that usually end up in a landfill.

Friday October 22 - Virtual Tour of Composting Digester and Stone Soup Community Project.

This online video by Portage College will document how the college's composting digester works and the positive benefits of the Stone Soup Community Project in diverting waste from the landfill and creating value added opportunities.

Saturday, October 23, 10am-2pm, County Centre - Household Hazardous Waste Round-up and Shredding Event.

Residents can bring in unused household cleaners and other items that could harm the environment if not disposed of properly. A secure shredder will be available for safe recycling of confidential documents.



Please note this event is for residential waste and shredding, and we will not be able to accept items from commercial customers. Attendees will receive a free gift

Events may be changed or cancelled depending on COVID-19 regulations.

In addition, keep an eye on our Facebook page during Waste Reduction Week for another chance to win a reusable item gift package through our Single-Use Plastics Awareness Campaign.

To learn more about what waste items belong in your different waste bins, visit www.laclabichedcounty.com.

COVID-19 Restrictions at Lac La Biche County Recreation Facilities (sports, fitness and recreation).

County recreation facilities remain open to public and general use at 1/3 capacity and in compliance with all public health restrictions outlined in Order 42-2021, which includes the following:

Youth sport, fitness, recreation, and performance activities (under 18 years)

- Indoor group classes, training and competitions permitted but participants are required to:
 1. Screen for symptoms.
 2. Maintain two (2) metres distance, except while engaged in physical activity.
 3. Wear a mask, except while engaged in physical activity.
- Spectator attendance is restricted to 1/3 of fire code capacity and limited to single-household or two (2) close contacts (if living alone). Spectators must be masked and maintain two (2) metres of distance.
- Outdoor activities can continue with no restrictions.

Adult sport, fitness, recreation, and performance activities (over 18 years)

- Indoor group classes and activities are not permitted (virtual programming will be offered wherever possible).
- Indoor competitions are paused except where vaccine exemptions have been granted.
- Indoor one-on-one and solo activities are allowed for adults (over 18 years) with 3m distancing and restricted capacity (includes track, fitness centre, fieldhouses, rinks, and pool). For Open Ice we will allow one solo person or one-on-one training per ½ of ice. Adult drop in programs are cancelled except for Adult Soccer which will continue outside on Wednesday nights from 7-9 pm on the artificial turf field.
- Outdoor activities can continue with no restrictions.



Welcome customers to your business in both of Canada's official languages.

Businesses located in Lac La Biche County as well as neighbouring Indigenous communities (Beaver Lake Cree Nation, Heart Lake First Nation, Kikino Métis Settlement and Buffalo Lake Métis Settlement) can now request free bilingual signage for their premises, thanks to a partnership between the County, Conseil de Développement Économique de l'Alberta and Alberta Bilingual Municipalities Association, funded in part by the Government of Canada. Bilingualism is an added value when we're welcoming tourists to our region and our community.

For more information, please contact Corinne Michaud at 780-414-6125 ext. 113.



FEATURED FCSS PROGRAMS

Due to COVID-19, participants must preregister for all programs. Please call 780-623-6365 or message our Facebook page to sign-up.

Learner's Permit Course

Friday, October 8
10:00 am-4:00 pm
Bold Center
email: christine.martin@lclabichedcounty.com

Bows Building Bridges

Friday, October 15, 5:30-7:30 pm
Herb Erikson Archery Range

Teens and their parents/guardians can join the Schaub family at the amazing Herb Erikson Archery Range to unwind and enjoy supper together. Then try their hands at shooting at targets and learn more about this great sport together.

Teen Chill Zone - Murder Mystery

Friday, October 29
4:00-8:00 pm
McArthur Place • FREE • Ages 12-18

Lights! Camera! Murder! A tantalizing night in Tinseltown filled with twists and terror
email: christine.martin@lclabichedcounty.com

For more programs, follow FCSS and FCSS Young Family Connections on Facebook!

TALK BOX TIP

When you play together and talk about what you are doing, you are helping your child learn new words and ideas



Thanksgiving is coming up, and this gives families more time to get together and have fun. Talking about what your family does to celebrate is a chance to teach language.



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Visit lbcvotes.ca to learn more!





Dates to Remember

October 9, 13 & 15

Municipal Election Advance Voting
Visit llbcvotes.ca to learn more.

October 18

Municipal Election, Referendum, and Alberta Senate Election Day
Visit llbcvotes.ca for more information.

October 18-24

Waste Reduction Week

Due to COVID-19, events may be subject to postponement or cancellation.

Check the
Community
Events Calendar at
laclabichcounty.com
for more local events.

Due to COVID-19 regulations, changes have been made to Lac La Biche County facilities, programming and services. Visit **laclabichcounty.com** to learn more.

Your County in Touch is produced by Lac La Biche County and is available to every resident.

An electronic version of this newsletter is available. All you need to do is call (780) 623-1747 or provide your e-mail address to intouch@laclabichcounty.com.

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County Programs and Drop-in Opportunities:

- FCSS child, youth/teen, and family programs continue in-person where possible. Adult and senior programs will be moved to virtual options (excluding seniors aquafit).
- Childminding, Community Access, and Paratransit bus services remain available.
- Public drop-in times (public swims, open ice times, and fieldhouse drop-ins) are limited-capacity with distancing maintained. No games/practices permitted for adults.
- Outdoor events and venues have no capacity restrictions (excluding washrooms), but must maintain two (2) metres distancing between households.
- All common areas/spaces require individuals to wear masks (unless participating in a physical activity and/or those who have a medical exemption authorized by a health professional and can present medical exemption letter at time of entry).
- Indoor dining is not permitted - the Bold Center food court and concession at Plamondon arena remain open for take-out orders only.
- Current membership holder options available are:
 1. Continue to access facilities and keep membership active.
 2. Cancel membership (memberships will NOT be frozen). Please contact the Bold Center at (780) 623-3829 or Portage Pool (780) 623-6777 for cancellation information.

