



National AccessAbility Week Design Contest 2026



Easter Seals BC/Yukon Design Contest

In Celebration of National AccessAbility Week in BC and Yukon, **May 31 – June 6, 2026**, Easter Seals BC/Yukon is challenging you to submit a T-shirt design.

Create Your Own AccessAbility T-Shirt Design

Easter Seals invites students from British Columbia and the Yukon in Grades 5-12 to create a design that symbolizes the theme:

Reimagining Play, Learning, and Community Through Accessibility

Canada's National AccessAbility Week celebrates the valuable contributions of Canadians with disabilities and recognizes the efforts of individuals, communities and workplaces that are actively working to remove barriers to accessibility and inclusion. For 79 years, a core mission of Easter Seals is to make the lives of people with disabilities better in British Columbia and the Yukon.

Two Grand Prizes Include (Age Group A – Grades 5-8; Age Group B – Grades 9-12)

- \$200 honorarium for the winning student
- \$750 for the winning student's classroom to purchase learning materials
- T-Shirts will be produced with the winning designs and will be given to the winning students.
- Finalists will receive a pizza lunch for their classrooms, generously donated by Panago Pizza.
*Pizza parties are subject to delivery availability at school locations, and while we will do our best to provide this lunch to winning classrooms, some limitations may apply.

Who Can Enter

British Columbia and Yukon youth in Grades 5-12.

Submission Deadline

Midnight on **Friday, May 1st, 2026**.



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2026 NAAW Theme: **Reimagining Play, Learning, and Community Through Accessibility**

Design inspiration ideas:

- How can we improve by re-thinking about play, learning and community?
- What barriers do you see for people with disabilities and how can we lend a helping hand?
- What does accessibility mean to you?
- How can we be more inclusive through play?
- How can we make learning more inclusive?

Artwork Guidelines

- design must incorporate the theme: **Reimagining Play, Learning, and Community Through Accessibility**
- we encourage original artwork, created and designed by students themselves
- no text or lettering elements
- one sided
- size – 1:1 aspect ratio; downloadable templates available on website.
 - If using Adobe Illustrator or similar, create an 8.5” by 8.5” square file
- all parts must be solid colors (any two-dimensional media such as markers, watercolors, acrylic, tempera, pastels, crayon, pencils, collage or computer graphics)
- design should be appropriate for a school setting
- a paragraph of 150 words or less, explaining the symbolism and/or story used in the design, is recommended, but not required.

Not Allowed:

- NO copyrighted material (such as comic strip characters, school or commercial logos)
- NO photography
- NO Metallic or fluorescent colours
- NO AI generated illustrations

How To Submit Artwork

- Entries will be accepted through the online submission site here.
- Files accepted include JPG and PNG and PDF.
- Please include a brief description of your inspiration and explanation of your design choices, 150 words or less



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- Entries must be received by midnight on **Friday, May 1st, 2026**.
- Do not put your name or identifying information on the image itself. Include your name in the filename of your design and in the submission form only.
- No files larger than 9 MB please.

Entry Guidelines

- Only one entry per student. Entries that do not follow the above guidelines will not be considered. All entries become the property of Easter Seals BC/Yukon, and the student/teacher/school relinquishes all rights to the design.
- The original winning artwork will be required to produce the T-Shirt design.
- T-Shirts will be available for purchase.

Questions?

Email marketing@eastersealsbcy.ca and we will help as much as we can!

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