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Catalogue of International Student Programs for Kindergarten to Grade 12



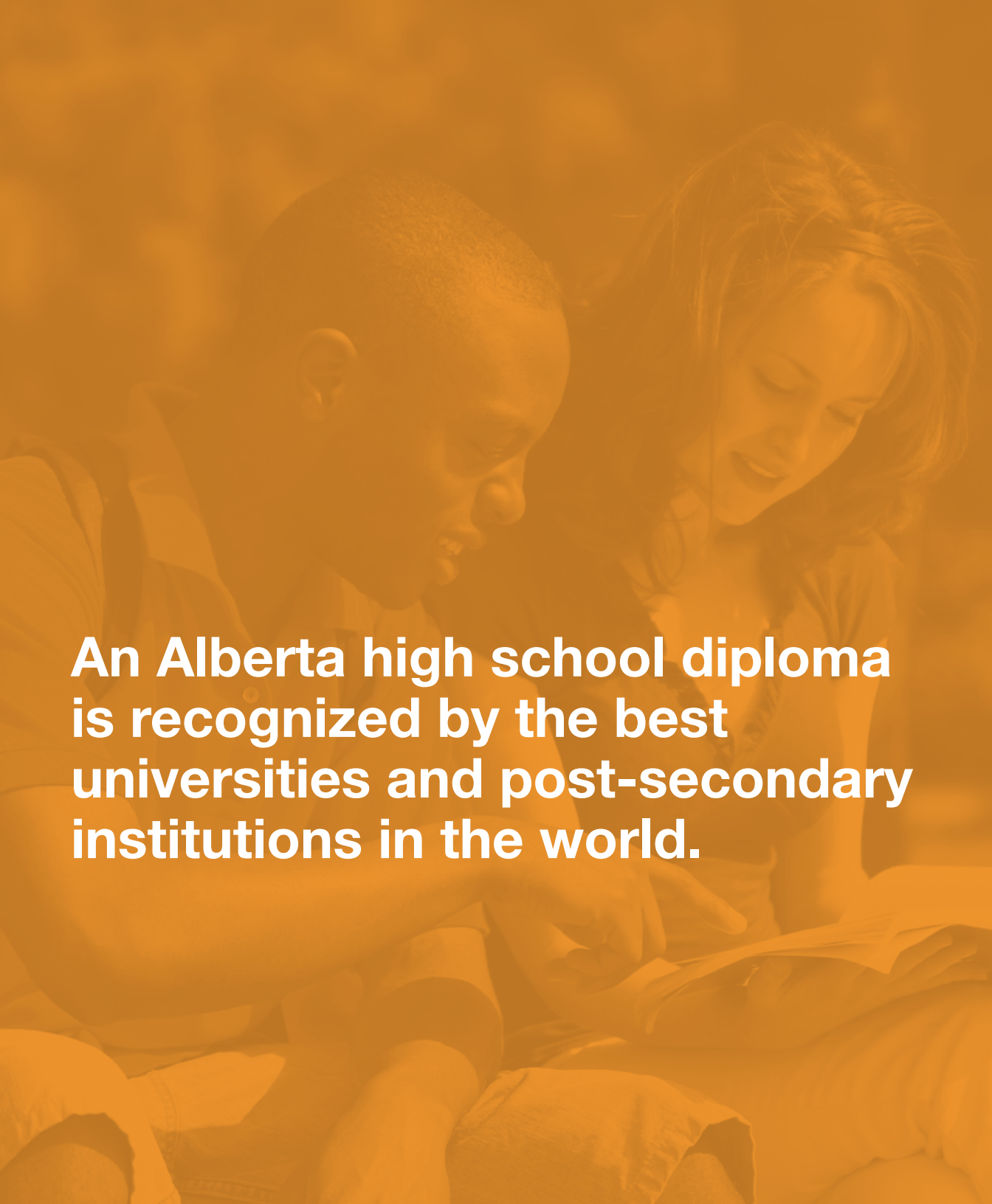




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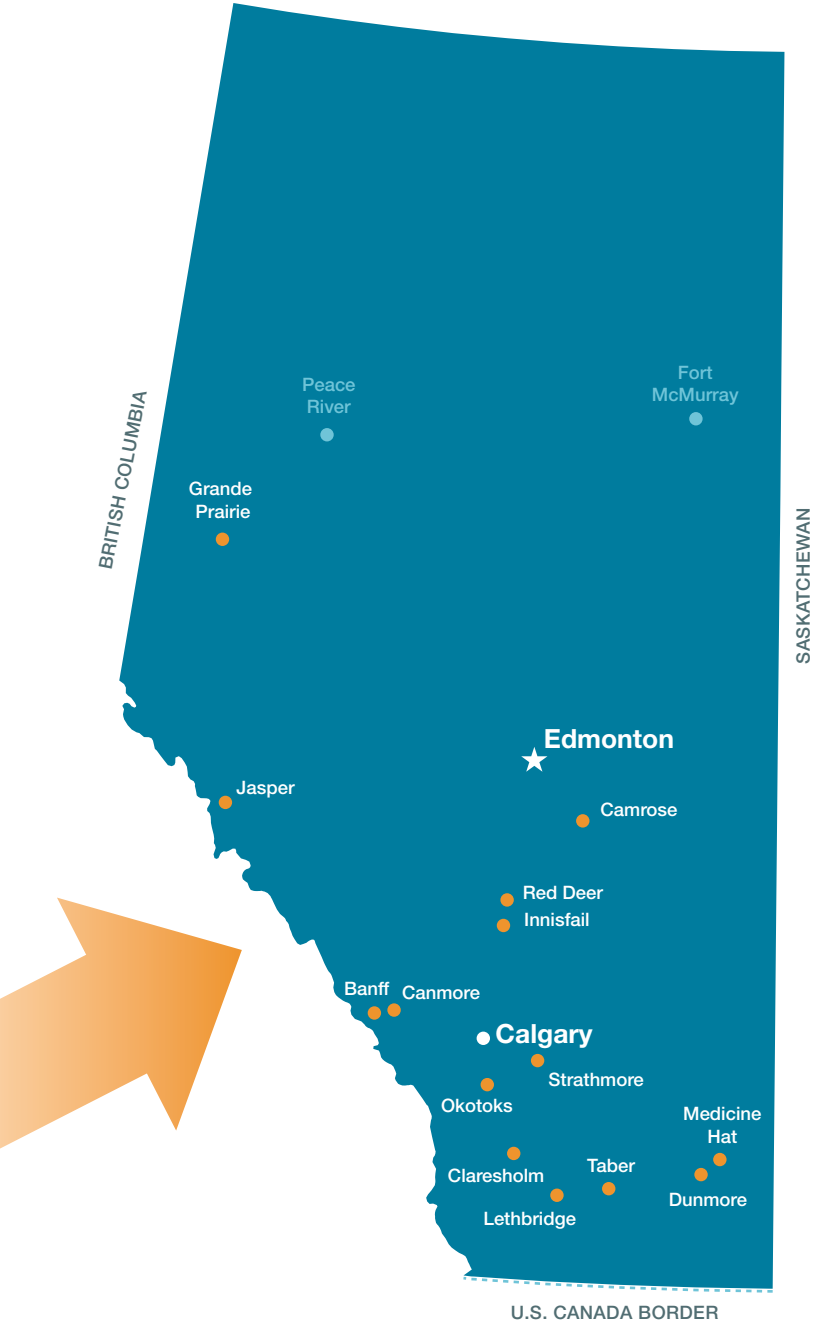
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Canada

Canada consistently ranks among the top places in the world to live. Canada, the second largest country in the world, is both a geographically vast and an ethnically diverse country with a population of 33 million people. The two official languages in Canada are English and French. Canadians enjoy a high standard of living in cosmopolitan and multicultural cities as well as a pristine natural environment that offers many recreational opportunities. Canada's education system is recognized internationally as being built on high standards in teaching and learning. As Canada becomes a knowledge-based economy built on innovation, it allows you to achieve the quality of life to which you aspire.





Battle River School Division
*Camrose**

Calgary Board of Education
Calgary

Canadian Rockies Public Schools
*Banff/Canmore**

Edmonton Catholic Schools
Edmonton Public Schools
Edmonton

Golden Hills School Division
*Strathmore**

Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools
Grande Prairie Public School District
Grande Prairie

Grande Yellowhead Public School Division
*Jasper**

Holy Spirit Catholic Schools
Horizon School Division
*Taber**

Lethbridge School District
Palliser Regional Schools
*Lethbridge**

Livingstone Range School Division
Claresholm

Medicine Hat School District
Medicine Hat

Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools
Red Deer Public Schools
Red Deer

**and surrounding communities*

Please note only select cities and town appear on the map. Those in white are profiled in the Catalogue.









Alberta, Canada

Alberta – An Exceptional Quality of Life

Alberta is the second most westerly province in Canada, located next to British Columbia. It is blessed with spectacular scenery: Rocky Mountains, picturesque foothills, parklands and rolling prairies, magnificent badlands, and remote northern forests. Alberta offers an exceptional quality of life.

Alberta is a vibrant and prosperous province with abundant natural resources and an efficient and modern infrastructure. It has a strong and diversified economy with leading industries including energy, agriculture, forestry, manufacturing, and information and communication technologies. Alberta has no provincial sales tax.

Alberta's size and diversity provides a wide variety of cultural, recreational, and entertainment opportunities. From skiing, cycling, and hiking to camping and sightseeing, Alberta offers outstanding outdoor adventures. The hundreds of yearly festivals and cultural events, fantastic galleries and museums, and fabulous shopping and leisure activities present many opportunities for fun and excitement.

Alberta – A World Class Primary and Secondary Education System

Alberta schools offer high-quality curriculum that is recognized world-wide. The Alberta standardized curriculum is developed to meet the needs of students, now and in the future. Alberta teachers are dedicated professionals who inspire and challenge our students to find their passion for learning and achieve their potential in school and throughout life.

Standardized government curriculum

Government certified teachers possessing a four-year Bachelor of Education degree and more

On international tests, Alberta students consistently rank at the top in math, reading, and science.

The Ministry of Education supports the needs of students, parents, teachers, and administrators from Early Childhood Services (ECS) through Grade 12. Alberta has public schools, separate schools, Francophone schools, charter schools, private schools, and virtual schools. These schools are part of the public education system. Alternative programs, home education, distance learning, and blended programs are other educational options available to students. Alberta has 62 school authorities of which 20 admit international students.

The Alberta High School Diploma is accepted by admissions officers of prestigious universities and post-secondary institutions throughout the world. Resources to support the delivery of curriculum in the classroom are diverse, accessible, and current, providing students and teachers with strong interactive technology supports to enhance the teaching and learning experience.

International students in Alberta have many opportunities to excel both on an academic and personal basis for a well-rounded but individualized educational experience. Alberta schools allow students to explore their personal interests through diverse course offerings or to participate in after-school related activities such as sports or chess clubs.

International students in Alberta have a strong network of support. School authorities can help students find a suitable school and living accommodations. The student's school provides support through teachers, school staff, and/or professional counselors to overcome any problems they may encounter while adjusting to life in Alberta.

Friendly people, reasonable tuition fees, safe communities, and schools that focus on success for every student no matter where in the province they reside make Alberta one of the world's best places to live and study.

To learn more about our individual school authorities, please continue to flip through this catalogue. You may also wish to visit our website at

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Battle River School Division

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **6,300**
International Student Population – **30**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	34	K–6
Junior High	25	7–9
High School	15	10–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	20	K–6	0	20
Junior High	15	7–9	3	21
High School	10	10–12	28	22













Description of International Student program	Battle River School Division provides high quality learning experiences for all of its students. With excellent achievement results, the students in our school division consistently earn above average marks on provincial exams. Our schools offer a range of fine arts, athletic, leadership, and extracurricular programs delivered by caring, skilled teachers. Schools are located in safe, friendly communities.
Countries of Origin	7
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	End of August for Fall semester or beginning of February for Winter semester
Application Deadline	Preferred: May 1 for end of August start November 1 for February start
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory $550 for 10 months
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200 (non-refundable)
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ 9,950 for a full year (two semesters) or 4,975 for one semester ▶ Short-term stays available by request
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration Fee (one time fee): 450 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 725 ▶ No Emergency Deposit Fee
Extracurricular Activities	A wide variety of athletics and fine arts activities as well as student leadership and yearbook clubs
About Camrose	Battle River School Division (BRSD) is a large geographic district located in central Alberta. The main office is in the City of Camrose. The school district consists of 35 schools serving about 6,300 students. Schools are located in small, safe communities. The language of instruction and everyday use is English. International students have an excellent opportunity to learn English and experience the cultural aspects of life in Canada.
City Population	18,000
Nearest International Airport	Edmonton International Airport – 50 minutes drive from Camrose

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Calgary Board of Education

Calgary Board of Education

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **115,000**
International Student Population – **982**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	133	K–6
Elementary/Middle/Junior High	36	K–9
Junior High	16	7–9
Junior High/Senior High	5	7–12
High School	21	10–12
Unique Settings	6	K–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	All	K–6	100	18
Junior High	All	7–9	157	22
High School	All	10–12	725	24











Description of International Student program	We are a large urban school authority with many programming options for students.
Countries of Origin	46
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	▶ September/February for high school ▶ Alternate entry dates for elementary and junior high up to March of school year
Application Deadline	Open
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ $500 per year or $275 for half a year
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	250
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	11,500 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Placement and Support Fee: 750 ▶ Monthly Fee (room & board): 825 ▶ Security Deposit (refundable): 500 ▶ Airpot Pick-up: 95 ▶ Wire Transfer Fees: 50 ▶ Re-registration for each academic year: 200
Extracurricular Activities	Chess, debate, outdoor clubs, photography, theatre, and Student Council
About Calgary	Calgary is a city of over one million people. It is located next to the world-famous Rocky Mountains and has been named the cleanest city in the world and one of the safest. Calgary has a wide variety of cultural, social, and sporting activities. As the host of the 1988 Winter Olympics, Calgary has world-class facilities. Calgary's strong economy is supported by the large oil and gas industry. Calgary is also known for its friendly and warm-hearted people.
City Population	1,428,000
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport

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Canadian Rockies Public Schools

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **2,000**
International Student Population – **70**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	3	K–6
Junior High	2	7–9
High School	2	10–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	2	K–6	5	24
Junior High	2	7–9	5	22 to 26
High School	2	10–12	65	20 to 25











Description of International Student program	Canmore Collegiate and Banff Community High School are located in the Canadian Rocky Mountains. These academic and sport award-winning schools offer a wide range of academic courses enhanced with a variety of programs in environmental and outdoor education, the arts, music, technology, and sports. Students have access to five ski hills to enjoy winter sports as well as the Canmore Nordic Centre, home of the Canadian National Cross-Country Ski team. All students stay with homestay families who provide guidance, supervision, friendship, and support throughout their stay. International students are also offered a number of social gatherings and field trips during their stay. Students applying to study with us can be connected to our alumni who have agreed to serve as ambassadors for our program.
Countries of Origin	10
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	September 3 (1st semester) or January 30 (2nd semester)
Application Deadline	▶ Open year round
Student Healthcare Coverage	It is mandatory that students have health care insurance. This can either be obtained by the student before he/she leaves the country of origin, or it can be purchased through CRPS. The cost is additional to participants.
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	150 (non-refundable)
Tuition Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ 11,000 for full year ▶ 5,500 for one semester
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Custodianship Registration: 100 ▶ Registration Fee (one-time fee): 500 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 850 ▶ Emergency Deposit: 850
Extracurricular Activities	Activities include skiing and snowboarding, football, track and field, basketball, volleyball, outdoor education, hiking, camping, golf, curling, and hockey.
About Banff and Canmore	The Canadian Rockies Public Schools is located in the Rocky Mountains, serving the communities of Banff, Canmore, Lake Louise, Exshaw, and Kananaskis Country. Our high-quality academic programs are enhanced with a wide variety of programs in environmental and outdoor education, the arts, music, technology, and sports. Life with homestay families affords a rewarding cross-cultural experience. The families and school authority plan outings and activities with the international students. Our academic and homestay counsellors strive to ensure that students are successful in their studies and comfortable in their home setting. Starting in the summer of 2014, students will have the opportunity to participate in ESL Eco Education Adventure Programs.
Town Population	Canmore: 15,000; Banff: 9,000
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport – 110 km

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Edmonton Catholic Schools

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **38,941**
International Student Population – **80 –100**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	52	K–6
Junior High	25	7–9
High School	11	10–12

School Profile – District Schools Accepting International Student

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	10	1–6	10	17–23
Junior High	10	7–9	10	25
High School	10	10–12	80	27











Description of International Student program	Located in the capital city of Alberta, Edmonton Catholic Schools welcomes students from other countries and faiths to participate in our education programs. Edmonton Catholic Schools delivers the curriculum of Alberta Education to students within a Christ-centred learning community. Edmonton Catholic Schools is a leader in excellence and education and has met or exceeded the provincial standard in Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams for the past five years. We have a superb international student program that includes ESL support for students at all levels as well as tailored programs to prepare students for post-secondary studies.
Countries of Origin	17
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	▶ Recommended start date – September for elementary and junior high schools ▶ Recommended start date – September and February for high schools ▶ Continuous enrolment
Application Deadline	▶ Recommended deadline – June ▶ Continuous enrolment
Student Healthcare Coverage	Healthcare coverage is mandatory and can be purchased through the International Program office. The cost is $500 per 10-month school year.
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	300
Tuition Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	10,700 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration: 750 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 825 ▶ Airport pickup and return: 100
Extracurricular Activities	A wide variety of school-based team sports, fine arts, all city band programs, and robotics club
About Edmonton	Edmonton is a growing city that has one of the fastest developing economies in Canada. It is known for the river valley park system that runs through the city—it is 12 times larger than New York City's Central Park. We have cold but sunshine-filled winters and very pleasant, warm summers. Edmonton is only a few hours drive from both the Banff and Jasper National Parks.
City Population	877,926
Nearest International Airport	Edmonton International Airport

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Edmonton Public Schools

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **90,000**
International Student Population – **600**

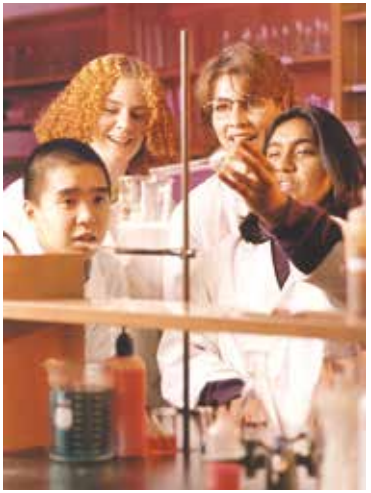
	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	125	K–6
Junior High	63	7–9
High School	14	10–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	125	K–6	30	22–28
Junior High	63	7–9	70	22–28
High School	14	10–12	500	22–28











Description of International Student program	Edmonton Public Schools has offered an International Student Program since 1995, and each year serves between 500 and 600 students from all over the world. It features the provincial curriculum with Canadian peers as well as English as a second language (ESL) programming for those whose first language is not English. The ESL program is designed for students who wish to improve their English language skills in a friendly, yet challenging atmosphere. International Baccalaureate and Advanced Placement programs are in place for more academically capable students.
Countries of Origin	36
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	September or February, accepted year-round
Application Deadline	2 to 3 months prior to start recommended
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ $500 for full year (September-June or February-January) ▶ $275 for one semester (September-January or February-June) ▶ $1.50/day for short-term (less than a semester)
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	250
Tuition Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	11,500 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration Fee (one-time fee): 750 ▶ Airport Fee : 100 ▶ Emergency Deposit: 500 ▶ Wire Transfer Fee: 50 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 825 (age 13–19) or 1,000 (age 12 and under)
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Fine arts, including drama, instrumental music, choir, and dance (ballet) ▶ Sport programs, including basketball, volleyball, soccer, track and field, badminton, tennis, football, golf, hockey, lacrosse, curling, rugby, and Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu
About Edmonton	Edmonton is the capital city of the province of Alberta and is a beautiful city noted for its abundant parkland and the natural beauty of its river valley. It is a growing city of almost one million people. International students are able to experience festivals of arts, dance and theatre performances, professional hockey and football games, excellent dining, and numerous shopping opportunities. With its cosmopolitan reputation, Edmonton also offers opportunities for cultural, business, and recreational partnership on an international level. The Rocky Mountains are a few hours away and are noted for their skiing, snowboarding, and sightseeing opportunities.
City Population	877,926
Nearest International Airport	Edmonton International Airport

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Golden Hills School Division

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **6,400**
International Student Population – **215**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	15	K–6
Junior High	14	7–9
High School	12	10–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	9	K–6	20	Varies up to 26
Junior High	7	7–9	30	Varies up to 26
High School	6	10–12	165	Varies up to 26











Description of International Student program	Located east of Calgary, the Golden Hills School Division welcomes students from grades 4 to 12 for high level academic study, English as a second language (ESL) classes, and a wide variety of opportunities in career and technology studies, the arts and sports. There are also short-term group programs available upon request that can be tailored to the needs of the group. Golden Hills also partners with the Royal Tyrell Museum of Paleontology, the world premiere dinosaur museum, which offers educational opportunities and experiences that are not available elsewhere. We become a "home away from home" for students who may choose to stay with carefully screened and monitored homestay families, or in the only public school boarding facilities available in Canada. The full-time accommodations coordinator is available to help and support students, parents, and homestay families. Golden Hills provides an ideal value for international study, by offering modern school facilities, a variety of course offerings, and high academic standards, in enjoyable cultural destinations and safe communities.
Countries of Origin	33
Accommodation Options	Student Residences (3 dormitories) and Homestay
Starting Date	August and February
Application Deadline	Open
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ Cost is $600 per year
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ 10,750 for 10 months ▶ 5,375 for 5 months
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Dormitory accommodation in Strathmore and Drumheller: 10,100 for 10 months ▶ Prairie Christian Academy Dormitory: 11,600 for 10 months ▶ Homestay: 8,000 for 10 months ▶ Emergency Deposit Fee (refundable damage deposit): 250
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Fine arts, including drama, instrumental music, choral music, and dance ▶ Full sports program, including volleyball, basketball, track and field, soccer, rugby, tennis, golf, football, badminton, hockey, curling, and cross country running ▶ School clubs include Debate, Leo, Yearbook, Chess, and Leadership ▶ There are also activities organized by dorm leaders for students residing in the dorms
About Strathmore	Strathmore is located 25 minutes east of the beautiful city of Calgary in the province of Alberta, Canada with a population of approximately 12,000. Surrounded by the natural beauty of the area, Strathmore is a progressive community drawing business to the area in agriculture and marketing with a growing interest in oil and gas exploration. Strathmore offers many recreational activities for a wide variety of interests including a large community center and sports complex for hockey, skating, swimming, curling, a skateboard park along with great parks and walking paths, playgrounds and a children's water park. Health services include the Strathmore general hospital, walk-in medical clinics and other community health services. Residents enjoy a blend of country and city lifestyle in safe and caring communities.
Town Population	12,352
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport – 53 km

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Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **4,500**
International Student Population – **12**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary/Junior High	10	K–8, K–9
High School	3	9–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary/ Junior High	10	K–8, K–9	1	18–23
High School	3	9–12	11	18–28











Description of International Student program	Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools are public schools in Alberta. Our focus is on success for every student, and our academic achievement levels are consistently "at or above" the provincial levels in all subjects. Technology is an essential tool that helps students to think critically and creatively. We help students become ethical, entrepreneurial, and engaged learners. We accept International students in grades 8–12 unless a student is accompanied by a parent. We offer a strong academic program in a smaller, safer community in the northwest portion of the province of Alberta. We believe that faith is an important part of our work.
Countries of Origin	5
Accommodation Options	Homestay Placement through The Canadian Homestay Network Inc.
Starting Date	High School (semesters) – September and February Junior High – September (full year)
Application Deadline	May 15 for September intake December 15 for February intake Late applications will be considered.
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ Cost for the full year is $600
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200
Tuition Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ 10,000 per year ▶ Short term stay fees to be negotiated
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration Fee (non-refundable): 500 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 750 (September 1 – June 30) ▶ No Emergency Deposit Fee
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Fine arts, including drama, band, and jazz band ▶ Comprehensive sports program, including volleyball, basketball, football, badminton, rugby, and golf ▶ Club options, including Skills, Glee, Rotary Interact, and Social Justice ▶ International exchange to Quebec, Mexico, Japan, China, and France
About Grande Prairie	Grande Prairie is a young, active community with a population of 70,000 and a trading area of over 275,000 people. Located in the northwest part of Alberta, Grande Prairie is the gateway to northern Alberta, British Columbia, and the Northwest Territories. Grande Prairie Regional College delivers post-secondary education and is affiliated with the University of Alberta. We are Canada's number one city for entrepreneurs, with a lot of people gaining employment in the oil and natural gas sectors, agriculture, and investment agencies. We are a two-hour drive to the mountains and a short four-hour drive to Jasper. An international airport is located in Edmonton, and soon Grande Prairie will have international airport status. Our airport has 15 commercial flights daily in and out of the airport. We are known for our new MultiPlex, the largest western Canadian indoor aquatic and sports centre, adjacent to our high school. Our Multiplex boasts six swimming pools, a track, a university-sized gymnasium, and a fitness centre. We are a safe community and our schools are truly communities of caring. We have all the amenities of a large centre, including recreation facilities, retail shopping, libraries and culture centres, healthcare, and hospitals.
Town Population	70,000 in the city; 275,000 in the trading area
Nearest International Airport	Edmonton International Airport – 450 km from Grande Prairie

For Student Applications and Programming:

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Grande Prairie Public School District

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **8,000**
International Student Population – **6**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	6	K–6
Elementary/Junior High	5	K-9
Junior High	1	7–9
High School	2	10–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	6	K–6	1	22
Junior High	2	7–9	0	25
High School	2	10–12	6	25







Description of International Student program	Join Grande Prairie Public School District for a unique educational experience. Committed to the success of all students, Grande Prairie Public School District will create an opportunity for you to reach your individual needs, abilities, and educational goals. International Students who successfully complete all high school graduation requirements will receive the internationally recognized Alberta High School Diploma. International Students who choose Grande Prairie Public School District will be provided English as a Second Language (ESL) support. International Students will enjoy being supported in an integrated classroom setting where they are sure to make lifelong friendships. Based upon language and academic ability, International Students will select from our full range of academic courses in mathematics, the sciences, English and social studies (history, politics and economics), as well as an exceptional range of specialized programs and electives. International Students who excel in academics and who have strong English skills can also access the world renowned International Baccalaureate Program.
Countries of Origin	Japan, South Korea, Germany, Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Brazil, Mexico, Colombia
Accommodation Options	Canadian Homestay International
Starting Date	September and February
Application Deadline	Flexible
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ 500 Ingle Insurance ▶ Mandatory
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	250 non-refundable
Tuition Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	11,000 for full year, adjusted for short-term stays
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration Fee (one-time fee): 350 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 800
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Club options, including Anime, Christians in Action, Envirothon, First Responders, and Gamers ▶ Interact – Japanese, SADD, Skills, Students without Borders, Travel Club, and Yearbook ▶ Sports – badminton, basketball, curling, golf, rugby, track and field, volleyball, wrestling, and cross-country running
About the School District	"The Grande Prairie Public School District is a learning community in which every student succeeds." Grande Prairie Public School District is one of the most vibrant and fastest growing School Districts in Alberta, Canada. Grande Prairie Public School District is committed to ensuring all students receive outstanding instruction in all aspects of their education and learning journey. The District's core academic, performing, musical, and fine arts programs, special Education, career & technology studies, and athletic programs are second to none and proof of the District's Mission.
Town Population	60,000
Nearest International Airport	Grande Prairie Airport – 10 minutes from the city

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Grande Yellowhead Public School Division

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **4,900**
International Student Population – **11**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	12	K–6
Junior High	8	K–7, K–9, 4–8, 6–8
High School	5	7–12, 9–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	1	K–6	2	18.5
High School	5	7–12	12	21











Description of International Student program	Grande Yellowhead stretches west of the capital city of Edmonton, Alberta, to the British Columbia border, nestled in the Canadian Rockies, and northwest to the picturesque town of Grande Cache. Our division includes 18 schools, approximately 5,000 students, and 300 teachers. We are a rural school authority that features five distinct communities with excellent schools which offer outstanding academics, diverse outdoor and extracurricular activities, as well as first-rate homestays, in small, safe, and caring communities. Although most of our international students participate at our high schools, we also offer elementary programs and summer and winter camps.
Countries of Origin	3
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	Open (September or February recommended)
Application Deadline	Recommended deadline June; however, we will accept students anytime during the year
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ Cost for the full year is $600
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	250
Tuition Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	9,500 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Custodianship Registration: 250 ▶ Homestay Placement Fee: 500 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 800 ▶ No Emergency Deposit Fee
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Soccer, volleyball, basketball, rugby, football, skiing, snowboarding, hockey, swimming, golf, curling, track and field, wrestling, and badminton ▶ Activities and clubs including yearbook, student council, choir-music, band and guitar, visual art, drama, environmental stewardship clubs, and leadership groups. ▶ International trips
About Jasper and Surrounding Communities	**Jasper** – Breathtaking landscape and a peaceful small-town atmosphere that is nestled in Jasper National Park, in the Canadian Rocky mountains. **Hinton** – This community offers an abundance of recreational opportunities in exploring the lush Alberta wilderness, such as hiking or cross-country skiing. **Edson** – Located midway between Jasper and Alberta's capital city, Edson boasts a friendly community. Several lakes and rivers provide fishing and hunting opportunities as well as recreational camping. **Evansburg** – Just 40 minutes from Edmonton, Evansburg is in the heart of rural Alberta's farming community. **Grande Cache** – This town has a rich history and is surrounded by rivers, picturesque valleys, and magnificent lakes and mountains.
Town Population	**Edson** – 8,000; **Evansburg** – 1,000; **Grande Cache** – 4,200; **Hinton** – 10,000; **Jasper** – 5,000
Nearest International Airport	Edmonton International Airport – 390 km from Jasper

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Holy Spirit Catholic Schools

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **4,800**
International Student Population – **20**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	6	K–5 (1 school) K–6 (5 schools)
Junior High	4	K–9 (3 schools) 7–9 (1 school)
High School	4	K–12 (2 schools) 6–12 (1 school) 10–12 (1 school)

School Profile – Division Schools Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Junior High	4	K–9, 7–9	11	24
High School	4	K–12, 6–12, 10–12	11	21











Description of International Student program	Holy Spirit Catholic Schools is a provincial educational leader dedicated to providing excellent academic programming within the context of our Catholic faith. Maintaining schools in both urban and rural settings allows us to provide smaller classes that focus on the individual while still offering a variety of programs in athletics, fine arts, and other co- and extracurricular activities. The division is optimally located so that it is close to the U.S. border, Waterton National Park, the Rocky Mountains, and a number of unique historical and geographical sites, thus encouraging students to experience curriculum well beyond the classroom.
Countries of Origin	1
Accommodation Options	Homestay (urban and rural) personally co-ordinated by school division
Starting Date	▶ For year-long stays, entrance is September ▶ Flexible entry dates for short-term programs
Application Deadline	▶ May 30 for September start ▶ Ongoing for short-term stays
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ Presently set at $500 per year ($50 per month)
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200
Tuition Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	11,000 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ No Registration Fee ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 600 ▶ No Emergency Deposit Fee
Extracurricular Activities	Basketball, track and field, badminton, cross-country running, volleyball, football, drama, band, choir, musical theatre productions, leadership, social justice projects, and other clubs
About the School Division	Located in southern Alberta, Holy Spirit Catholic Schools is a publicly funded school division that provides quality education to the city of Lethbridge as well as the agriculturally based communities of Coaldale, Picture Butte, Pincher Creek, Taber and Bow Island. We serve as a Catholic Faith Community promoting the core Christian values of goodness, respect and understanding. These fundamental values permeate all aspects of our teaching and enable us to foster caring and ethical global citizens who are engaged thinkers equipped to thrive in the 21st Century.
City Population	Coaldale – 7,526 Taber – 8,104 Picture Butte – 1,701 Pincher Creek – 3,685 Lethbridge – 90,417
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport

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Horizon School Division

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **3,500**
International Student Population – **9**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	6	K–6
Junior High	5	7–9
High School	5	10–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
High School	5	9–12	9	19











Description of International Student program	Horizon School Division is continually recognized for its innovative programming and excellent academic results. Our International Education program is designed to provide individual attention and programs that will assist each student to reach their personal goals through immersion in regular school classes. Students who attend Horizon will encounter safe and caring communities, modern facilities, and schools with advanced technology, excellent teaching staff, and a wide breadth of programs, such as elite sports academies, fine arts, practical arts, trades, advanced technology, and excellent academics. Programs are designed to fit the learners' needs while building English language competencies and exploring Alberta and Canadian culture.
Countries of Origin	7
Accommodation Options	Homestay (town, farm, ranch options)
Starting Date	▶ Semester 1– September ▶ Semester 2 – February
Application Deadline	▶ June for September start ▶ December for February start
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ Presently set at approximately $500 per year (depends on length of stay)
Application Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200
Tuition Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	10,835 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Homestay Placement Fee: 400 ▶ Monthly Fee (room & board): 620 ▶ No Emergency Deposit Fee
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Fine arts, including applied arts, drama, instrumental music, and choir ▶ Full sports program, including volleyball, basketball, badminton, baseball, rugby, wrestling, football, track and field ▶ Community sports programs, including soccer, golf, baseball, softball, and hockey
About Horizon	The Horizon School Division is a jurisdiction located in Southern Alberta. A traditional western setting, short grasses, dramatic foothills, and big sky dominate the landscape. Residents enjoy a quality of life accentuated by excellent educational, health, and recreation facilities; safe neighbourhoods; and clean air and abundant water, coupled with some of the mildest weather in Alberta. Proximity to the United States, the Rocky Mountains, and many UNESCO World Heritage sites allows visitors to enjoy an abundance of history and natural beauty.
Town Population	Varies
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport – 274 km

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Lethbridge School District

Lethbridge School District No. 51
International Services

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – 10,100
International Student Population – **18**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	12	K–5
Middle School	3	6–8
High School	4	9–12
Christian School	1	K–8

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
High School	3	9–12	24	25
Middle School	3	6–8	2	26
Christian School	2	6–8, 6–12	2	25













Description of International Student program	Lethbridge School District schools offer a complete range of programs at all grade levels. At the high school level, students have the opportunity to study the International Baccalaureate Program, Advanced Placement, and a full range of courses in trades (CTS) and fine arts, in addition to having access to the most modern technology available. Our flexible programming allows international students a great deal of choice in course selection.
Countries of Origin	8
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	▶ Full year – September ▶ Semester 1 only – September ▶ Semester 2 only – February
Application Deadline	Open
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ Half year – 250, Full year – 500
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200 (non-refundable)
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ 11,000 per year ▶ 5,500 per semester
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Placement and Custodian Fee: 700 ▶ Monthly Fee (room & board): 800 ▶ Refundable Security Deposit: 500
Extracurricular Activities	Full range of co-curricular activities, including athletics (golf, volleyball, football, basketball, curling, wrestling, badminton, rugby, soccer, track and field, baseball), fine arts (drama, choral and instrumental music, dance, and art), plus student leadership groups
About Lethbridge	Lethbridge is a city of approximately 97,000 and serves as the hub for southwest Alberta. It is the home of the University of Lethbridge, Lethbridge College, and the largest agricultural research centre in Canada. Lethbridge is one of the warmest and sunniest cities in Canada, and is a short drive from summer camping and boating areas plus winter ski resorts in the magnificent Rocky Mountains. The city is noted for its strong community spirit. It has a strong multicultural base. The Japanese Canadian community has an historic presence in the community.
City Population	97,000
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport – 233 km

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Livingstone Range School Division

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **3,700**
International Student Population – **6**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	8	K–6
Middle School	1	K–9
High School	6	5 schools 7–12 1 school K–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	2	K–6	0	16
Middle School	1	K–12	1	15
High School	5	7–12	5	19













Description of International Student program	Livingstone Range Schools International Program is designed to meet the individual needs of each student who attends its schools. Students who choose to come to our schools will experience high quality academics, caring teachers, safe communities, and access to a variety of sports, arts, and outdoor activities. Programs are designed to fit each student's needs and allow the development of English language competencies while studying in a regular Alberta classroom.
Countries of Origin	7
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	September and/or February
Application Deadline	Open
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Required ▶ Half year: $250 ▶ Full Year: $500
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ 10,000 per year ▶ 5,000 per semester
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration Fee (one-time fee): 400 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 600 ▶ No Emergency Deposit Fee
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Fine arts, including arts, drama, and instrumental music ▶ School sports, including volleyball, rugby, basketball, baseball, football, track and field, badminton, golf, and rodeo ▶ Community sports, including hockey, swimming, golf, soccer, baseball, and skiing ▶ Golf Academy ▶ Leadership and outdoor clubs
About	Livingstone Range School Division is located in Southwestern Alberta, an area embraced by brilliant blue skies, fresh air, wide open spaces, and the western spirit. Located along the foothills and into the Canadian Rockies, Livingstone Schools offer international students the opportunity to explore the history of Alberta while enjoying western hospitality. Each community in the region offers a safe and caring learning environment in conjunction with a unique personality and attractions.
City Population	Varies by community
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport

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Medicine Hat School District

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **6,500**
International Student Population – 1**0**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	13	11 schools K–6 2 schools K–9
Middle School	1	7–8
High School	2	1 school 7–12 1 school 9–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary	3	K–6	0	22–24
Middle School	1	7–8	1	24
High School	2	7–12 9–12	0 25	27











Description of International Student program	Medicine Hat School District is a great place to learn English and gain an Alberta High School Diploma due to its small enrollment of international students and the individual attention given to each. Medicine Hat High School provides a Teacher Advisor (TA Program) that provides supports and programming for students to focus more on their own individualized learning needs. There is a close working relationship with Medicine Hat College, which allows for an easy transition into post-secondary programming after high school.
Countries of Origin	12
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	▶ September (first semester) and February (second semester) for high school students ▶ September for junior high school and elementary students
Application Deadline	Open
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ $250 for 1 semester, $500 for 1 year
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	10,000 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Initial Placement Fee: 400 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 650 ▶ No Emergency Deposit Fee
Extracurricular Activities	Activities include athletics, intramurals, yearbook and website committees, drama, band, choir, art club, international travel, and exchange programs and student clubs such as Student Council, Peer Support, Rotary Interact service club.
About Medicine Hat	Medicine Hat, with a population of about 60,000 people, is one of the safest cities in Canada. As a small city, Medicine Hat provides the amenities of a city with the friendliness and comfort of a small town. A variety of recreation facilities and excellent public transportation make for easy access throughout the city year-round. The city is an oasis located in the heart of the prairies, located about three hours from Calgary by car or 45 minutes by plane. Medicine Hat receives more hours of sunlight than any other city in Canada and enjoys the warmth of Chinook winds in the winter.
City Population	61,097
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport – 280 km; There are connecting flights to Medicine Hat Airport from Calgary 3 times a day.

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Palliser Regional Schools

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **6,800**
International Student Population – **5**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	9	K–4 (1 school) K–6 (7 schools)
Elementary–Junior High	7	K–9
Middle School	2	5–8
Elementary–High School	3	K–12
Junior High–High School	5	7–12
High School	3	9–12, 10–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Elementary–High School	2	K–12	1	18
Junior High–High School	6 1	7–12 9–12	4 0	18 18
High School	1	10–12	0	18













Description of International Student program	Palliser Regional Schools offers a unique international student program that combines the benefits of excellent programs, high quality teaching and supportive learning environments. Palliser has been recognized as a leader in student achievement with some of the highest provincial testing results in Alberta. By offering very small class size and homestays located in safe communities where students are known and cared for, Palliser Regional Schools is an excellent choice for international students. Palliser offers excellent programing to international students in a wide range of settings, from smaller rural schools encompassing kindergarten to grade 12 in the communities of Vulcan, Nobleford, Coalhurst and Picture Butte, to larger schools with grades 9–12 in Coaldale. Palliser also offers unique educational experiences in the City of Calgary for students seeking Christian faith-based learning opportunities.
Countries of Origin	5
Accommodation Options	Homestay, Non-Homestay
Starting Date	September or February
Application Deadline	May 30 for September start December 15 for February start
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ $550 for 10 months ($55 per month)
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ 12,150 per year ▶ Alternative Faith-Based Programs: 13,350 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration Fee (one-time fee): 250 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 750 ▶ No Emergency Deposit
Extracurricular Activities	Basketball, volleyball, track and field, football, hockey, theatre, snow skiing/snowboarding, outdoor education, instrumental music, choral music, badminton, curling, golf, yearbook, community service, and leadership programs
About	Palliser Regional Schools is nestled close to the Rocky Mountains in an agriculturally rich and diverse part of southern Alberta. Our welcoming communities offer safe and active lifestyles filled with recreation in both the County of Vulcan and the County of Lethbridge. Palliser high schools located in Coaldale, Coalhurst, Picture Butte, Nobleford and Vulcan offer excellent, community-supported programs. As well, Palliser Regional Schools provides high-quality high school education to students within the City of Calgary through alternative faith-based programs. The City of Calgary is home to major sports teams and hosted the Winter Olympics with world-class facilities. Calgary offers many exciting opportunities for students to experience Canada's rich cultural and social diversity.
City Population	Calgary 1,428,000 (urban) Vulcan 1,836 (rural) Picture Butte 1,700 (rural) Nobleford 1,200 (rural) Coalhurst 2,301 (rural) Coaldale 7,400 (rural) Lethbridge 92,000 (urban)
Nearest International Airport	Calgary International Airport (YYC)

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Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **8,800**
International Student Population – **25**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	8	1–5
Junior High	7	6–9
High School	3	10–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Junior High	5	6–9	4	27
High School	2	10–12	21	30













Description of International Student program	Red Deer Catholic schools are public schools in Alberta. Our focus is on the student and our academic achievement levels are consistently at or above the provincial level in all subjects. Our international program is available for students from grade 8–12 unless the student is accompanied by a parent. We offer a strong academic program in a smaller, safe community in the province of Alberta, Canada.
Countries of Origin	7
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	▶ High school (semesters) – September and February ▶ Middle School – September (full-year program)
Application Deadline	▶ May 15 for September intake ▶ December 1 for February intake ▶ Late applications will be considered.
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Mandatory ▶ Full health care program available through Ingle International Health coverage is required but enrolment in our program is optional. ▶ Cost – $640 per year and $390 for half a year
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200 non-refundable
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	10,900 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration Fee (non-refundable): 500; 175 for returning students ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 780 from September 1– June 30 (Extra days: 25 per night)
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Fine arts, including drama, instrumental music, and choir ▶ Full sports program, including volleyball, basketball, track and field, badminton, soccer, rugby, tennis, wrestling, and golf ▶ Canyon Ski Area (20 minutes from Red Deer)
About Red Deer	Red Deer is a vibrant, active community of over 100,000 people. Nestled in the parkland of central Alberta, Red Deer is midway between Edmonton, the province's capital and Calgary, the site of the 1988 Winter Olympics. Red Deer is a 3-hour drive to the Rocky Mountains and is serviced by international airports at Edmonton and Calgary. Red Deer is known for its parks, world-class recreation facilities, and cultural opportunities. Red Deer's central location provides international students with a safe community with access to all the amenities of a larger urban centre.
City Population	100,800
Nearest International Airport	Edmonton International Airport – 129 km Calgary International Airport – 136 km

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Red Deer Public Schools

RED DEER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
INTERNATIONAL SERVICES
A Canadian Education

School Authority Profile

School Authority Population – **10,000**
International Student Population – **100**

	Number of Schools	Grades
Elementary	12	K–5
Junior High	7	3 schools K–8 4 schools 6–8
High School	2	9–12
Christian Alternative School	1	K–12

School Profile – School Authorities Accepting International Students

	Number of Schools	Grades	Number of International Students	Class Size
Junior High	7	6–8	5	24–30
High School	3	9–12	95	24–30









Description of International Student program	Red Deer Public Schools was the winner of the first Premier's Award for Excellence and Innovation. Our schools provide a caring environment for students to LIVE, LEARN, and GROW!!
Countries of Origin	31
Accommodation Options	Homestay
Starting Date	August
Application Deadline	May and December
Student Healthcare Coverage	▶ Students in our homestay program must have insurance provided by Red Deer Public Schools. ▶ Cost is $640 per year.
Application Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	200
Tuition Fee for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	10,900 per year
Accommodation Fees for 2015–2016 ($CAD)	▶ Registration Fee (one-time fee): 500 ▶ Monthly Fee (room and board): 750 ▶ No Emergency Deposit Fee
Extracurricular Activities	▶ Athletics, drama, student clubs (Theater Sports, International Student Club, Environment Club) ▶ International Exchange Programs to France, Spain, Mexico, Japan, and China
About Red Deer	We invite you to come and study with us in Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. The Red Deer Public School District offers an outstanding program for International Students in a medium sized, safe, clean city of over 100,000 people located between the major cities of Calgary and Edmonton. International airports are located in these cities, which are only 60 minutes away from Red Deer by car.
City Population	100,800
Nearest International Airport	Edmonton International Airport – 129 km Calgary International Airport – 136 km

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Programs Chart

K = kindergarten

	Battle River School Division	Calgary Board of Education	Canadian Rockies Public Schools	Edmonton Catholic Schools	Edmonton Public Schools	Golden Hills School Division	Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools
Curriculum and Teaching							
Curriculum accredited by the Ministry of Education, Government of Alberta	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Students can participate in extra-curricular school activities such as sports teams, field trips, and interest-centred clubs (examples include dance, photography, chess, or yearbook)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Professional teachers authorized to teach based on government prescribed competencies (minimum four year Bachelor of Education degree plus practicum experience)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Language Programs							
French	✓ K–12	✓ K–12		✓ K–12	✓ K–12	✓ K–4, Gr. 10–12	✓ K–12
Spanish		✓ K–12		✓ K–12	✓ K–12	✓ Gr. 7–12	✓
Chinese (Mandarin)		✓ K–12		✓ Gr. 10–12	✓ K–12		
Japanese				✓ Gr. 10–12	✓ Gr. 10–12		
German		✓ K–12			✓ K–12	✓ Gr. 10–12	
Ukrainian				✓ K–12	✓ K–12		
Arabic		✓ Gr. 10–12			✓ K–12		
Cree				✓ K–9	✓ Gr. 1–12		

Grande Prairie Public School District	Grande Yellowhead Public School Division	Holy Spirit Catholic Schools	Horizon School Division	Lethbridge School District	Livingstone Range School Division	Medicine Hat School District	Palliser Regional Schools	Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools	Red Deer Public Schools
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓ K–12	✓ K–12	✓ K–12	✓ Gr. 4–12	✓ K–12	✓	✓ K–12	✓ 1–12	✓ K–12	✓ K–12
✓	✓ Gr. 10–12	✓ Gr. 10–12	✓ Gr. 9–12	✓ Gr. 9–12	✓	✓ Gr. 9–12	✓ 7–12	✓ Gr. 10–12	✓ Gr. 9–12
									✓ Gr. 9–12
	✓ Gr. 8–12	✓ Gr. 10–12		✓ Gr. 9–12		✓ Gr. 9–12			✓ Gr. 9–12
✓			✓ Gr. 1–10	✓ Gr. 9–12			✓ K–6		
	✓ Gr. 3–8								

Programs Chart

K = kindergarten

	Battle River School Division	Calgary Board of Education	Canadian Rockies Public Schools	Edmonton Catholic Schools	Edmonton Public Schools	Golden Hills School Division	Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools
Language Programs (continued)							
Blackfoot						✓ Gr. 10–12	
Latin					✓ Gr. 10–12		
Polish				✓ K–12			
Punjabi		✓ Gr. 10–12			✓ Gr. 10–12		
Italian		✓ Gr. 10–12		✓ K–12			
Filipino				✓ Gr. 10–12			
Alternative Programs Alternative program emphasizes a particular culture, religion, or subject matter, or uses a particular teaching philosophy.							
Aboriginal Education		✓		✓	✓		✓
Advanced Placement	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
International Baccalaureate Program		✓		✓	✓		
Christian	✓			✓	✓	✓	
All Girls		✓		✓	✓		
Montessori		✓				✓	✓

Grande Prairie Public School District	Grande Yellowhead Public School Division	Holy Spirit Catholic Schools	Horizon School Division	Lethbridge School District	Livingstone Range School Division	Medicine Hat School District	Palliser Regional Schools	Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools	Red Deer Public Schools
		✓			✓				
✓ Gr. 10–12									
✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
✓ Gr. 7-12				✓					✓
✓ K–9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
✓				✓ Gr. 1–5					

Programs Chart

K = kindergarten

	Battle River School Division	Calgary Board of Education	Canadian Rockies Public Schools	Edmonton Catholic Schools	Edmonton Public Schools	Golden Hills School Division	Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools
Alternative Programs (continued)							
High Performance Sports Programs (examples include baseball, hockey, lacrosse, golf, and soccer)	✓ Hockey Gr. 7–9	✓ National Sports School for sports at elite level ✓ National Sports Development Hockey, Soccer		✓ Hockey Gr. 3–12 Soccer Gr. 5–12 Golf, Lacrosse Gr. 10–12 Baseball Gr. 7–9	✓ Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer Training Programs and Sport Recreation Program Gr. 7–12 Elite Athlete Programs, including Alpine Skiing, Golf, and Tennis Gr. 10–12	✓ Hockey Gr. 5–12	✓ Hockey Gr. 4–6 Multi-Sport Gr. 4–8 Long-Term Athlete Development Gr. 9–12 Certified by ASDC, Hockey Canada, and Canadian Sport for Life Centre
Specialized Fine Arts Programs (examples include music, visual, or performing arts)	✓ Performing and Visual Arts School K–12	✓ Arts Centred Learning K–12 Performing and Visual Arts Gr. 10–12		✓ Fine Arts Programs K–12 Ukrainian Dance Academy Gr. 7–12	✓ Dance Program Gr. 7–12 Performing and Visual Arts School K–12	✓ Fine Arts Programs Gr. 7–12	✓ Music Band, Jazz Band, and Wind Ensemble Gr. 5–12 New Fine Arts School comimg
Other Programs							
Summer Programs		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Registered Apprenticeship Program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Career and Technology Studies (examples include courses offered in the area of business administration, information technology, media and communication, and manufacturing)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Grande Prairie Public School District	Grande Yellowhead Public School Division	Holy Spirit Catholic Schools	Horizon School Division	Lethbridge School District	Livingstone Range School Division	Medicine Hat School District	Palliser Regional Schools	Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools	Red Deer Public Schools
✓ The Academy with Hockey, Dance, Soccer, and Golf		✓ Hockey, Soccer, Baseball, Basketball, Track and Field, Golf, Badminton, Cross-country Running, Curling, Volleyball, Football, Girls Rugby, Archery	✓ Hockey and Baseball Gr. 10–12		✓ Skiing ✓ Golf		✓ Basketball, Volleyball, Track and Field Football, Hockey, Theatre, Skiing, Snowboarding, Outdoor Education, Badminton, Curling, Golf	✓ Ice Hockey, Fitness for Life Gr. 10–12 Ice Hockey, Dance, Fitness for Life Gr. 6–9	✓ Variety of sports, including Hockey Gr. 9–12
✓ Music Brass, Strings, Choir, Jazz, Visual Arts, Drama		✓ Drama, Music Band, Visual Arts, Dance, Choir, Steel Drum Ensemble, Musical Theatre		✓ Drama, Orchestra, Jazz Band, Visual Arts, Dance, Choral, Jazz Choir			✓ Instrumental Music, Choral Music, Community Services and Leadership programs	✓ Music, Drama, Visual Arts, Choir Gr. 10–12	
	✓				✓		✓		✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

District Support for International Students

	Battle River School Division	Calgary Board of Education	Canadian Rockies Public Schools	Edmonton Catholic Schools	Edmonton Public Schools	Golden Hills School Division	Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools	Grande Prairie Public School District	Grande Yellowhead Public School Division	Holy Spirit Catholic Schools	Horizon School Division	Lethbridge School District	Livingstone Range School Division	Medicine Hat School District	Palliser Regional Schools	Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools	Red Deer Public Schools
International Student Office at District	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
International Student Advisor at District Office	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
English as a Second Language Classes for International Students	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Orientation Program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Local Homestay Coordinator and Advisor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Activities/Events and Field Trips for International Students	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Administrator and/or Counsellor Assigned to International Students at Each High School	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
International Student Advisor and/or Counsellor Located at All Schools with International Students	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
Buddy and Peer to Peer Program	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Group Photo of International Students				✓		✓	✓	✓			✓					✓	

Application Process

Step 1 – Research and explore education opportunities

To have the optimal education experience, you will want to find the program that best fits your needs and goals. There are several things to consider as you evaluate what program is right for you. Some factors to consider include location, program length, specialized programs, admission requirements, and cost. The individual school authority profiles provide you with information that will be useful in your decision-making process.

Step 2 - Find a school you would like to attend

Alberta has created school authorities to oversee the education of students living in our cities and towns. They are also responsible for the admission and registration of all students in their area of responsibility, including international students.

Once you've decided where in Alberta you wish to study, contact the local school authority, who will help find the right school and program for you. School authority staff will outline the various English language learning supports available and find an appropriate combination of academic and options courses for you. They will also provide you with the necessary forms and guide you through their application process.

Step 3 - Apply to the school authority

The application process varies from one school authority to another, but generally students are required to submit the following to complete the application process:

- Application fee (varies with each school authority)
- A letter of reference from your current principal
- Your most recent report card
- A copy of your academic record (transcripts) for the last two years
- Custodianship documents

Step 4 - Pay your tuition fees

Once your application is accepted by the school authority, they will issue you a letter of acceptance. After you receive this letter, you may pay your tuition fees to the appropriate school authority. Fees and payment procedures for international students vary according to school authority. Contact the local school authority for more details.

Step 5 - Apply for your study permit

You are now ready to apply for your study permit. You will need to include your letter of acceptance as part of your study permit application. Study permits are issued by Government of Canada. To learn the steps you will need to follow, please visit **www.cic.gc.ca**.

Resources

Study in Alberta

You will be able to find detailed information on primary, secondary, and post-secondary education in Alberta, Canada.
www.studyinalberta.ca

Study Permits – **www.cic.gc.ca**

Education System in Alberta

Ministry of Education (primary and secondary)
www.education.alberta.ca

Ministry of Innovation and Advanced Education (post-secondary)
www.iae.alberta.ca

Alberta Offices Abroad

You can also visit one of Alberta's nine international trade offices or one Education Centre to get more information on studying in Alberta.

China – **www.albertacanada.com/china**

Hong Kong – **www.albertacanada.com/hongkong**

India – **www.albertacanada.com/newdelhi**

Japan – **www.albertacanada.com/japan**

Korea – **www.albertacanada.com/korea**

Mexico – **www.albertacanada.com/mexico**

Shanghai – **www.albertacanada.com/shanghai**

Singapore – **www.albertacanada.com/singapore**

Taiwan – **www.albertacanada.com/taiwan**

United Kingdom – **www.albertacanada.com/uk**

United States – **www.albertacanada.com/us**

Alberta Education Centre in Guadalajara, Mexico – **www.studyinalberta.ca/post-secondary/aec**

Alberta's Health Care System

www.health.alberta.ca

Recreation and Tourism

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