

# Alberta Accredited International Schools



## Why Attend an Alberta Accredited International School?

Alberta is one of Canada's most dynamic provinces and an international leader in education. Alberta's world-class Kindergarten to Grade 12 education system has an excellent reputation and is recognized as one of the best in the English speaking world.

## International Excellence

Alberta students are among the highest achievers in the world. They have consistently performed in the top ranks in national and international studies that assess reading, mathematics and science skills, including in the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) 2015.

### Did you know?

In the **PISA 2015 study**, Alberta's students:

- Ranked the highest in Canada, and ranked second in the world, in science.
- Ranked second in the world in reading.

## Alberta Curriculum

Alberta schools deliver a common curriculum that specifies what students are expected to learn and do in all grades and subjects.

Clear student learning outcomes are designed to help students achieve their potential and create a positive future for themselves, their families, and their communities.

Alberta's curriculum promotes the following competencies that help students build on what they know, how they think, and what they can do:

- Collaboration
- Communication
- Creating and innovation
- Critical thinking
- Cultural and global citizenship
- Managing information
- Personal growth and well-being
- Problem solving

## Setting High Standards

Alberta's assessments help students achieve success by ensuring achievement standards are being met. Standardized learning assessments and testing in grades 6, 9 and 12 check students' progress and allows teachers to adjust their instruction to maximize student learning experiences.

## **Internationally Recognized High School Credentials**

Graduating from an Alberta accredited international school means receiving the Alberta High School Diploma that is internationally recognized. Alberta's education system prepares students for employment and post-secondary opportunities related to their personal and career interests. Students can choose to continue their education at Alberta's outstanding post-secondary institutions or attend other excellent universities or colleges in Canada, and around the world.

## **Highly Qualified and Trained Teachers**

Teachers at Alberta accredited international schools are required to be Alberta certificated or have teaching credentials approved by Alberta's Ministry of Education. This ensures that the Alberta curriculum is successfully delivered. The ministry maintains high standards for educators by requiring teacher preparation and professional growth that focuses on knowledge, skills and attributes needed to guide and motivate students to be successful.

## **Developing English Language Skills**

With an increasing global economy, English language proficiency is an important skill to have. An Alberta accredited program helps students improve their English language skills, and develop a better understanding of cultural values, customs, and social expectations in English-speaking countries.

## **Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Learning Environments**

Alberta's education system is designed to provide meaningful learning experiences, promote equal opportunities and embrace learner differences in all children and students. Alberta accredited international schools are expected to provide welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning settings where students have access to instructional supports in an inclusive learning environment.

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