

## **CANADIAN HIGH SCHOOL EXPLORER**

5 OR 10 MONTHS | AGES 15-16 | GRADES 10-11







LANGUAGE LEVEL INTERMEDIATE +



ACADEMICS MINIMUM 70%



PROGRAMME DURATION 5 or 10 months



ACADEMIC TIMETABLE
4 COURSES PER SEMESTER
8 COURSES EACH SCHOOL YEAR

## A full time Canadian High School Experience - at a lower cost

Welcome to our Canadian High School Explorer programme! In this lower-cost, no-choice academic year option, CISS chooses a placement in an Ontario city or town where the student will be one of only a few international students in the school, offering a truly unique Canadian high school immersion experience.

#### **STUDENT PROFILE**

- ✓ Ages 15 or 16, grades 10 or 11 only
- ✓ Intermediate+ English proficiency level CEFR B1+ required for easy integration into high school classes without need for ESL support
- ✓ Strong academic level: 70%+ average
- No special academic or extra-curricular requests aside from covalidation course requirements
- No physical, psychological or learning needs that require special accommodation
- In good health with no allergies or other needs that could hinder a homestay placement
- Student must be open-minded to accept their community, school and host family placement - this is a no-choice programme

#### **TYPICAL SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

# TIMES vary by school 08:00-09:00 Classes begin Most classes are 60-80 min in duration 4-5 class periods daily 12:00-14:00 Lunch Period Typically 40-60 minutes

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14:00 - 17:00 School Day ends

After school sports or clubs meet until approx. 4:30-5:00 pm













#### **SCHOOL TYPES**



- Public Schools
- Public Catholic Schools

#### PROGRAMME DATE OPTIONS

- 10 months
  - September to June
- 5 months / 1st semester September to end January
- 5 months / 2nd semester February to end June

#### **HOMESTAY**



Private Bedroom in a family home



Breakfast Lunch Dinner

A desk for studying and homework



Safe and supportive family & home environment



#### **CANADIAN EXPLORER SERVICE PACKAGE**

- Location selected for each client by CISS
- Application assistance
- Student tuition
- Homestay accommodation / private bedroom
- Full board meals (3 meals daily)
- 2 airport transfers arrival & departure
- Canadian custodianship
- Local coordinator who will maintain communication in English and visit student twice per semester
- Reports in English following each visit
- 24-hour emergency assistance service

### **Enrolments for this** programme are limited!

#### LOCATION



Ontario

Our placement options are subject to our ever-changing inventory

Central and Northern Ontario

Communities range in population from approx 8,500 to 50,000+ residents

Public transit is not guaranteed in each location

All locations have opportunities for student recreation, including shopping areas, movie theatres, coffee shops, libraries, recreational centres and more

#### **PROGRAMME INFO**

#### **CURRICULUM / CLASSES**

The school year offers 8 classes for each school year in most provinces.

Schools in Canada are comprehensive, and may offer courses in the following areas:

- English (language arts)
- Maths
- Sciences Chemistry, Biology, Physics, General Sciences
- Social Studies History, Geography, Law, Economics, Family studies and more
- Arts music, visual art, drama, dance
- Business Studies
- Computer/IT Studies
- Culinary
- Hospitálity
- 3rd languages
- Physical Education
- Robotics
- Technical Studies Communication, Drafting, Design, Automotive, Mechanical, Woodworking and more

Grade10 offers a combination of mandatory courses + choice of electives based on student interest. Maths and Sciences are generalized offering a combination of the various subject disciplines.

Grade 11 has some mandatory courses but at these levels students choose classes based on their post-secondary goals. Maths and Sciences are diversified, allowing students to specialize in select areas of these subjects.

#### **SEMESTER SCHOOL**

The school year is divided into 2 x 5 month semesters. Students complete 4 classes in semester 1, and 4 new classes in semester 2.

This system is ideal for students seeking a half-year programme, but still require course completion for credit while in Canada.

#### **BEHAVIOURAL EXPECTATIONS**

Students must:

- Respect their teachers, peers and school staff
- Speak English
- Follow daily Monday Friday classes in up to 4 subjects during their stay
- School attendance is mandatory. Students are also expected to arrive on-time for each class as truancy and tardiness will lead to student discipline.
- Obey all programme rules

Students must be independent and ready to work through challenges on their own, with minimal support (English only)

#### **COVALIDATION**

- Students receive a transcript and credit for successful completion of their courses
- Covalidation assistance is possible with supplemental fee: \$250 CAD

#### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR**

#### **SPORTS**

Competitive sports are a cornerstone of the high school experience. International students are welcome and encouraged to try

#### SPORTS MAY INCLUDE:

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Curling Football
- Field Hockey (girls)
- Ice Hockey
- Rugby
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Volleyball
- Wrestling

Actual sports offered by each school will vary, as may the season in which the sport is played.



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#### **CLUBS**

Social, art, academic and special interest clubs are an ideal environment for international students to meet their classmates in smaller settings. Friendships are more easily made when you already have a common interest. Clubs meet before or after school, or during the lunch hour.

#### **CLUBS MAY INCLUDE:**

- Art club
- Bands concert, jazz
- Choir
- Dance club
- Environment Club
- Improv
- Fashion Show
- Math Contests
- Musical Theatre
- Photography Club Prom Committee
- Robotics Club
- Science Club
- Student Council
- Writing Club

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