# CANADIAN HIGH SCHOOL EXPLORER 50 R 10 MONTHS / AGES $515-16$ | GRADES $10-11$ 



## Prepare for your Canadian adventure!



## LANGUAGE LEVEL <br> INTERMEDIATE +

PROGRAMME DURATION
5 or 10 months

aCADEMICS MINIMUM 70\%

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

$\checkmark$ Ages 15 or 16 , grades 10 or 11 only
$\checkmark$ Intermediate+ English proficiency level
CEFR B1 + required for easy integration into high school classes without need for ESL support
$\checkmark$ Strong academic level: 70\%+ average
$\checkmark$ No special academic or extra-curricular requests aside from covalidation course requirements
$\checkmark \quad$ No physical, psychological or learning needs that require special accommodation
$\checkmark \quad$ In good health with no allergies or other needs that could hinder a homestay placement
$\checkmark \quad$ 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 | MONDAY - FRIDAY |
| $08: 00-09: 00$ | 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

## 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 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



- 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

Ontario

## 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
- Hospitality
- 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.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR

## SPORTS

Competitive sports are a cornerstone of the high school experience. International students are welcome and encouraged to try out!
SPORTS MAY INCLUDE:

| - Baseball | - Rugby |
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| - Basketball | - Soccer |
| - Curling | - Tenmming |
| - Football | Tennis |
| - Field Hockey (girls) | - Vock \& Field |
| - Ice Hockey | - Wrestling |

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

## SEMESTER SCHOOL

The school year is divided into $2 \times 5$ 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


## 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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