



on the bus ride home



at your high school graduation



staying connected with friends



Picture yourself here ... **ROCKY VIEW SCHOOLS**

Rocky View Schools serves residents living to the west, north and east of the City of Calgary in the province of Alberta, Canada. Residents of these communities enjoy a high quality of life and beautiful views of the nearby Rocky Mountains.

Rocky View Schools is dedicated to providing the best possible educational program for international students. Students will be provided with stimulating 21st Century learning environments where they can pursue their academic goals and personal interests while improving their English language skills. Highly-qualified and dedicated teachers and support staff assist students in attaining the skills they need to graduate from high school and be successful in post-secondary studies and future careers.

Over 17,000 students from Kindergarten through Grade 12 attend more than 35 public elementary (K-4), middle (5-8) and high schools (9-12) throughout Rocky View Schools. International students are fully

integrated and learn with Canadian students in smaller school communities (500 to 1000 students in a high school) with all the advantages and course offerings of larger schools.

Rocky View Schools has a tradition of academic excellence and ranks among the top schools in the province and in Canada. Students also excel in athletics, arts and active citizenship. Many Rocky View Schools' teams have won provincial championships and some students have gone on to participate in athletics at the post-secondary, Olympic and professional levels.

Live and learn with Rocky View Schools – reach for the best, experience Canadian culture and make lifelong friends!



learn



Picture yourself in an innovative and creative learning space ...



International students may attend school for a full academic year, 1 semester or a shorter duration by special request. The high school year consists of 2 semesters:

- Semester 1 - September to January
- Semester 2 - February to June

An individual program will be developed for each student depending on English language proficiency. ESL (English-as-a-Second Language) classes are provided for all students as required. International students that successfully complete all high school graduation requirements will receive an Alberta High School Diploma that is widely recognized by universities, colleges and technical schools worldwide.

Rocky View Schools is a leader in 21st century learning. Through the infusion of digital technologies and teaching methodology, students learn how to think critically and creatively, work in diverse team settings and use video conferencing, podcasts, blogging and digital portfolios to become 'knowledge creators' and 'innovators'.

In addition to academic courses, all schools offer a range of options to ensure students can explore interests, express creativity and achieve their academic and personal goals. Other specialized program and course options include: Advanced Placement, Career and Technology Studies, Gifted, Visual and Performing Arts, faith-based Christian education, French Immersion, Hockey, Golf, Dance and other 'elite' athletic programs.

Academic courses include: Sciences: Chemistry, Biology, Physics; English, Social Studies, Mathematics.

Optional courses include: History, Geography, French, Spanish, German, Japanese, Computer Technology, Art, Drama, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Choir, Creative Writing, Photography, Filmmaking, Leadership, Sports Medicine, Sports Performance, Environmental Education, Culinary Arts, Foods, Forensics, Outdoor Education, Fashion Design, Automotive Mechanics, Cosmetology, Construction Technology.

choose

International students can choose to live and study in either an urban or rural environment. Students attending Rocky View Schools may live in various communities including Airdrie, Balzac, Beiseker, Bragg Creek, Chestermere, Cochrane, Crossfield, Langdon, and Springbank.

Though all of the communities are safe, clean and friendly, each has a unique personality and attraction. A wide variety of indoor and outdoor recreational activities are made

possible by the sports complexes and many green spaces, rivers and lakes throughout the region. Fine shopping, restaurants, libraries and theatres are also found within these communities.

The Rocky View/Calgary region is one of the sunniest in Canada. Both summer and winter climates are made more appealing by the low humidity and warm, dry Chinook winds that come from the Rocky Mountains in the winter and can raise temperatures by up to 30°C in just several hours.



Picture yourself in a 21st Century classroom ...



live

Rocky View Schools provides international students with the opportunity to live with a Canadian host family during their stay in Canada. Local families are friendly, welcoming and anxious to share their lives and homes with international students. Living with a host family is the ideal way to learn English and experience Canadian culture.

International students live only with qualified, responsible, English-speaking host families. The careful screening and selection of the most appropriate host family for each student requires a thorough matching process considering the preferences and requests of both the student and the host family.

RVS Homestay Program is managed in cooperation with Canada Homestay International (CHI). The Homestay Coordinator provides ongoing support to international students and is available 24 hours/day, 7 days/week in case of emergency.

Host families are responsible for the day-to-day care of the international student and will involve the student in family activities. International students will have their own private room with a desk and will be provided with an orientation upon their arrival in Canada.

Most students will travel to and from school by bus service. Public bus service is also readily available in some communities.



Picture yourself living with a caring homestay family in Alberta ...



International students are encouraged to become fully engaged in all aspects of school and family life. Participating on school teams and in clubs is a great way for international students to make Canadian friends and practice speaking English. Many activities, foods and hobbies are unique to Canadian culture and

international students should try to experience as many as possible during their stay.

Popular school teams include soccer, hockey, basketball, volleyball, track and field, badminton, football, wrestling, golf and curling. There are many club options such as drama,

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yearbook, outdoor, speech and debate, art and robotics. Those students interested in the performing arts may prefer to become involved in concert or jazz band, dance, choir, or theatre.



Picture yourself enjoying the great outdoors with friends ...



apply now

To apply to attend a Rocky View School, please visit:
www.rockyview.ab.ca/home/international_education

Submit a completed application form by email or fax including:

- copy of the last 2 years of school records (original and English translation)
- copy of passport (picture page)
- \$250 CAD application fee (non-refundable)

If a student wishes to live with a local Rocky View host family, instructions regarding the homestay application process will be provided after the initial application is received.

Students must obtain a valid study permit before coming to Canada. All international students will be provided with comprehensive health insurance coverage. For detailed policy information available in several languages, please visit: <http://www.guard.me/studentguard/policies.php>

Space is limited so students are encouraged to apply early to help ensure their choice of school and community.

Fees (CAD)	Full Year	1 Semester
Application fee	\$250	\$250
Tuition	\$10,500	\$5,500
Health insurance	\$500	\$250
Bus transportation	included	included
Total	\$11,250	\$6,000
Homestay Placement fee	\$500	\$500
Homestay (\$700/month)	\$7,000	\$3,500
Custodianship/Airport pick up	\$450	\$350
Total	\$7,950	\$4,450

(Note: Fees subject to change without notice)



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