

GREATER VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

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To the New International Student,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the Langley School District for the **2023/24** school year. We hope that you will enjoy being a student in one of our fine schools.

Please read the following information/instructions carefully and make sure you report to our office as soon as you arrive in Canada.

- 1. Please note that ALL SCHOOL PLACEMENTS ARE FINAL at this time.
- **2. NEW STUDENT AIRPORT PICK-UP** We provide an airport pick up service through Beaton's, a licensed and bonded company.

Please note: the Beaton's Meet & Greet vehicles are not limousines; students are transported in vans. The airport pick up fee is \$175 and is for NEW students only. Please note that this fee is non-refundable. If a student does not require this airport pick up service please indicate this on your application form and indicate who will be responsible for your student's transportation to their Homestay. \*It is not the Homestay's responsibility to pick the student up from the airport.

If parents accompany their child to Langley, the parents are responsible for their own transportation and accommodations in Langley. This is a student service only.

If the student plans to return home during school breaks (i.e. Christmas, Spring, Year End), it is the Homestay's responsibility to provide transportation to and from the airport. This is at no additional cost to the student.

- **3. FLIGHTS** Please ensure the Homestay Department has all student flight information at least two weeks prior to student arrival.
- **4. MEDICAL INSURANCE** Secondary students will sign up for Medical Insurance at their school. Please bring your passport and study permit for the first meeting with your School Coordinator.

Please note that it is your responsibility to arrange for travel/medical insurance for pre-program travel.

**5. ORIENTATION & TESTING (SECONDARY)** - this is compulsory for all new secondary students. Details will be posted on <a href="https://www.studyinlangley.com/events/">https://www.studyinlangley.com/events/</a>

**6.HOMESTAY MONTHLY FEE** - \$1050 per month is payable directly to the homestay on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. Should you arrive prior to the 1<sup>st</sup>, you will be expected to pay the homestay fee of \$35 per night until the 1<sup>st</sup>. Should any relatives come with you and wish to stay in Langley, we would be happy to provide a list of hotels available in the area.

THINGS TO BRING – the homestay will provide you with a room, desk, furniture, lamp and linens for the bed, towels, soap for showers and laundry soap. You are to bring personal items – special soaps, personal hygiene items. School supplies can be purchased upon arrival.

**7. PRIVATE HOMESTAY** – if you are not part of our District Homestay Program, your parents are required to provide us with your custodian and private homestay information.

If you change your private custodian, notarized copies of the new custodian declarations must be sent to our office:

- Custodian- Custodian for Minors
- Custodian- Parents/Guardians for Minors

New Custodian must complete and submit a **Custodian Expectation Form** to our office

New private homestay must complete and submit a **Private Homestay Expectation Form** to our office

If you plan to change your living arrangements from private to District Homestay, the following steps must be followed:

- Contact the International Student Program District Office for approval
- Notarized Custodianship Declaration Forms must be completed

## 8. PARENTS LIVING WITH THEIR CHILDREN IN LANGLEY:

When an international student is attending a Langley School District secondary school while living with their parents and would like to change their living arrangements (e.g. move to a private homestay), the following documents must be sent to the International Student Program office before the change occurs:

- Custodian Expectation Form: Fully completed, signed and dated by the custodian.
- **Notarized Custodianship Declaration**: If the parents will not be residing in Langley, they must designate an appropriate custodian for their child.
  - Notarized Custodianship Declarations:
    - 1. Custodian Custodian for Minors
    - 2. Custodian Parents/Guardians for Minors
- **Homestay Expectation Form** (if the student is not living with the custodian): Fully completed signed, and dated by the host parents.
- **9. CHANGE OF HOME COUNTRY (PARENTS) ADDRESS & CONTACT NUMBERS** if there are any changes, please notify our office immediately, so we can update our records and also inform the schools. It is very important that we have the current contact information, especially in cases of emergencies. Parents can e- mail the changes to our office for change of address/contact numbers.
  - Aldergrove/Walnut Grove Secondary -fharada@sd35.bc.ca
  - Brookswood/Langley Fundamental/DW Poppy Secondary -bwong@sd35.bc.ca
  - ➤ Langley /R.E. Mountain Secondary -she@sd35.bc.ca
  - Langley Fine Arts elliott.kwon@sd35.bc.ca

It is very important that parents who have accompanied their children and are living in Langley with them advise our office and the school if they change their Langley address and /or telephone number.

**10. REPORT CARDS-** Students, natural parents, and agents can visit <a href="www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen">www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen</a> to view student report cards. If parents have questions about their children's progress at school, they can e-mail the ISP Coordinator at our secondary schools:

SECONDARY SCHOOL	ISP COORDINATOR	E-MAIL
Aldergrove Community School	Sarah Schmidt	SSchmidt@sd35.bc.ca
Brookswood Secondary School	Jennifer Gauthier	JGauthier@sd35.bc.ca
D.W. Poppy Secondary School	Alyssa Shore	AShore@sd35.bc.ca
Langley Fine Arts School	Danny Majdanac	DMajdanac@SD35.bc.ca
Langley Fundamental Middle and Secondary School	Johnson Yang	JYang@sd35.bc.ca
Langley Secondary School	Lisa Noll	LNoll@sd35.bc.ca
R.E. Mountain Secondary School	Becky Nelstead	BNelstead@sd35.bc.ca
Walnut Grove Secondary School	Richard Janzen	RJanzen@SD35.bc.ca

## 11. SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

- > Thanksgiving October 9, 2023
- ➤ Remembrance day November 10, 2023
- Winter Break December 25, 2023 January 7, 2024
- > Family Day February 19, 2024
- > Spring Break March 18, 2024 March 31, 2024
- ➤ Good Friday March 29, 2024
- > Easter Monday April 1, 2024
- Victoria Day May 20, 2024
- > School Closes on June 27, 2024
- **12. DRIVING** students cannot drive, own, rent or borrow cars. Any type motorcycle license is not allowed.
- **13. END OF PROGRAM –** students are expected to return to their home countries immediately after the end of their program.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office. We wish you much success in our program.

Sincerely,

Mark Leiper
District Principal

International Student Program