

Welcome International Students to Vancouver Schools in 2026-27! Information for International Student Applications

The Vancouver School Board welcomes international students to apply to its international student program for the 2026-27 school year. Our secondary schools currently follow a semester system where students study 4 courses per semester. Detailed profiles of our secondary schools are available by contacting: intered@vsb.bc.ca

September 2026 entry

Year-long applications are being accepted for the 2026-27 school year. Orientation is planned for August 31 / September 1, 2026, and classes begin September 8, 2026.

It is important to check with a homestay provider to ensure that homestay placement is possible in the area of your preferred schools. A list of homestay agencies is available, upon request.

How to Apply? Online: Online applications will be accepted from our web page: <http://intered.vsb.bc.ca>

Available Vancouver Secondary Schools for September 2026 entry (as of December 15, 2025)

(for applicants born 2010-2013; grades 8-11)

Britannia (grades 8-11)	Point Grey (grades 8-11)
David Thompson (grades 8-11)	Prince of Wales (grades 8-11)
Eric Hamber (grades 8-11)	Sir Charles Tupper (grades 8-11)
Gladstone (grades 8-11)	Sir Winston Churchill (grades 8-11)
John Oliver (grades 8-11)	Templeton (grades 8-11)
Killarney (grades 8-11)	University Hill (grades 8-11) <i>no homestay available</i>
* Kitsilano (grades 8-11)	Vancouver Technical (grades 8-11)
Magee (grades 8-11)	Windermere (grades 8-11)

* limited nearby homestays; students should be prepared to commute by public bus for 50+ minutes

Please note that:

- school placement depends on many factors, including the available school grade spaces, the applicant's age and grade level and anticipated ELL needs. School spaces are limited and subject to change.
 - Applicants are normally placed in their Canadian age-grade correlated grade.
 - Applicants aged 17 (born in 2009 or earlier) with minimal English skills are not recommended to enter secondary schools unless prepared to transfer to South Hill Adult School to complete graduation requirements. Students normally need at least 2 years to complete BC graduation requirements. They may be placed at these secondary schools: John Oliver Windermere Britannia Sir Charles Tupper
 - Students aged 18 and older can transfer to South Hill Adult School to complete graduation courses.
 - Early applications strongly encouraged. Placement is not confirmed until tuition fees are paid.
- Application deadline is April 30, 2026.

Elementary Schools Applications for September 2026 entry (for applicants born 2014-2021; grades K-7)

Elementary student applications are now open and will close when available spaces are full. All elementary students must live in Vancouver with a parent, aunt/uncle or grandparent – homestay is not acceptable. Elementary students are placed at grade levels with the same-age students. Kindergarten applicants can be placed in April 2026.

Please indicate the area of the city where you will live for school preferences. Do not list these schools with NO available spaces: David Lloyd George, Cavell, Emily Carr, Elsie Roy, False Creek, Jamieson, Kerrisdale, Laurier, Maple Grove, Norma Rose Point, Roberts, Sexsmith, Shaughnessy, Trafalgar.

Fee Schedules for the 2026-27 School Year

Secondary Student Fees for the 2026-27 School Year

(Fees listed below are in Canadian funds)

Full School Year (September 2026 – June 2027)

Application Fee (Non-refundable)	\$ 400.00
English Assessment Fee (Non-refundable)	\$ 100.00
Tuition Fee	\$ 17,000.00
Medical Insurance Fee	\$ 1,400.00
TOTAL SECONDARY STUDENT FEE	\$ 18,900.00