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# ALBERTA, CANADA

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Alberta's size and diversity provides a wide variety of cultural, recreational and entertainment opportunities. From skiing, cycling, hiking, camping and sightseeing, Alberta offers outstanding outdoor adventures. The hundreds of yearly festival and cultural events, fantastic galleries and museums, and fabulous shopping and leisure activities present many opportunities for fun and excitement.

## Alberta – A World Class Primary and Secondary Education System

Alberta schools offer high-quality curriculum that is recognized world-wide. The Alberta standardized curriculum is developed to meet the needs of students, now and in the future. Alberta teachers are dedicated professionals who inspire and challenge our students to find their passion for learning and achieve their potential in school and throughout life.

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International students in Alberta have many opportunities to excel both on an academic and personal basis for a well-rounded, but individualized educational experience. Alberta schools allow students to explore their personal interests through diverse course offerings, or to participate in after-school related activities such as sports or chess clubs.

International students in Alberta have a strong network of support. School authorities can help students find a suitable school and living accommodations. The student's school provides support through teachers, school staff and/or professional counselors to overcome any problems they may encounter while adjusting to life in Alberta.

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<b>Number of Elementary Schools:</b>	30
<b>Number of Junior High Schools:</b>	25
<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	11
<b>Specialized Programming:</b>	English as a Second Language (available in the largest high school)
<b>Extracurricular Activities:</b>	Wide variety of athletics programs as well as music and drama.
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	English and French
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1:20
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay and Dormitory
<b>Starting Date:</b>	September
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	Open
<b>Jurisdictional Claims to Fame:</b>	The Battle River School Division has a history of providing high quality learning experiences for all of its students. This has resulted in consistently excellent results. The students in our school division consistently earn above average marks on provincial achievement and diploma examinations. We also enjoy a higher than average high school completion rate. Our schools also earn recognition for their fine arts, and extracurricular programs.

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<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	22
<b>Specialized Programming:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate</li> <li>• Adult Education</li> <li>• Summer English as a Second Language</li> <li>• Traditional Learning Centres</li> <li>• Sports Schools</li> <li>• Fine Arts Schools</li> </ul>
<b>Extracurricular Activities:</b>	All sports, fine arts, after school clubs and music
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	Mainly English, several French immersion and bilingual programs
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	English, French, German, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Arabic and Spanish
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1:20 elementary, 1:30 high school
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay
<b>Starting Date:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• September/February for high school.</li> <li>• Alternate entry dates for elementary and junior high</li> </ul>
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	Open
<b>Jurisdictional Claims to Fame:</b>	Large urban school district with many programming options for students. Each high school has an international coordinator responsible for the well-being of international students.

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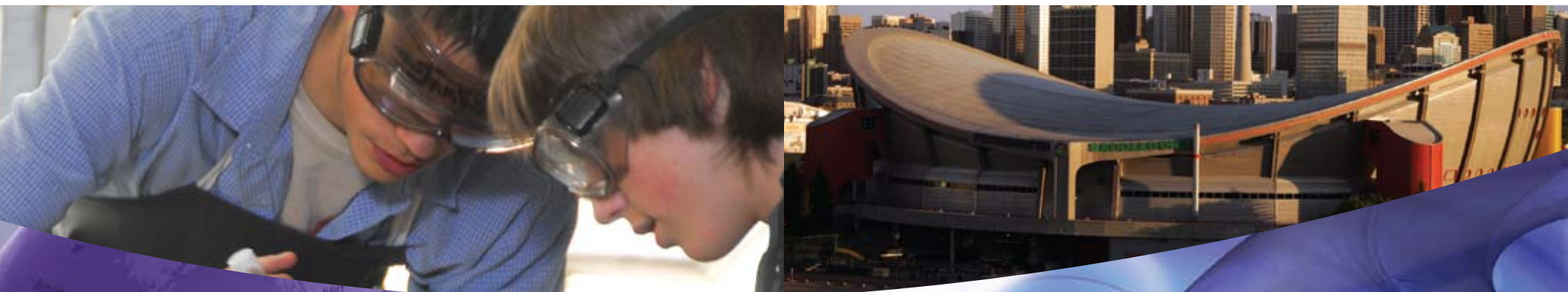
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<b>Number of Junior High Schools</b>	2
<b>Number of High Schools</b>	2
<b>Extracurricular Activities</b>	Football, track and field, basketball, volleyball, outdoor education, hiking and camping, golf, curling and hockey in Banff
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English and French
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	English and French
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1:23
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay family
<b>Starting Date:</b>	September
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	Open
<b>Jurisdictional Claims to Fame:</b>	High examination performance levels

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<b>Number of Elementary Schools:</b>	20
<b>Number of Junior High Schools:</b>	14
<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	10
<b>Specialized Programming</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• French Immersion</li> <li>• Christian Education</li> <li>• Hockey Academy</li> </ul>
<b>Extracurricular activities</b>	Basketball, volleyball, badminton, track & field, football, drama, choir and numerous special interest clubs
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	French, Spanish and German
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	Approximately 1:23
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay placements
<b>Starting Date:</b>	September
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	Open
<b>Jurisdictional Claims to Fame:</b>	Largest rural school division in Alberta and identified as one of top 4 performing boards in Alberta in improving student achievement

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## Christ the Redeemer Catholic Schools

Christ the Redeemer Catholic Schools provides education to students in traditional schools in Alberta, Canada in the following communities: Canmore, Brooks, Drumheller, High River, Okotoks, Oyen and Strathmore.

<b>Number of Elementary Schools:</b>	6
<b>Number of Junior High Schools:</b>	4
<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	5
<b>Specialized Programming:</b>	International Baccalaureate and Advanced Placement
<b>Extracurricular Activities</b>	All
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English and French
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	English, French and Spanish
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1:19
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay
<b>Starting Date:</b>	September
<b>Jurisdictional Claims to Fame:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academic results</li> <li>• Beautiful southern Alberta</li> </ul>

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<b>Number of Junior High Schools:</b>	12 junior high, 1 junior high/senior high
<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	9
<b>Specialized Programming</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kindergarten</li> <li>• International Baccalaureate</li> <li>• Bilingual and second languages</li> <li>• French Immersion</li> </ul>
<b>Extracurricular Activities</b>	School based team sports, music programs, all city band programs, robotics club
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English and French
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	English as a Second Language, French, Ukrainian, Polish, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Chinese Mandarin, Filipino, Cree
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1,841 teachers to 32,943 students or 1:17
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay services available
<b>Starting Date:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recommended start date September</li> <li>• Continuous enrolment</li> </ul>
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recommended deadline June</li> <li>• Continuous enrolment</li> </ul>
<b>Jurisdictional Claims to Fame:</b>	Edmonton Catholic Schools has met or exceeded the provincial standard in Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma exams for the past five years.

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<b>Specialized Programming</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kindergarten</li> <li>• International Baccalaureate</li> <li>• Bilingual and second languages</li> <li>• French Immersion</li> </ul>
<b>Extracurricular Activities</b>	School based team sports, music programs, all city band programs, robotics club
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English and French
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	English as a Second Language, French, Ukrainian, Polish, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Chinese Mandarin, Filipino, Cree
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1,841 teachers to 32,943 students or 1:17
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay services available
<b>Starting Date:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recommended start date September</li> <li>• Continuous enrolment</li> </ul>
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<b>Jurisdictional Claims to Fame:</b>	Edmonton Catholic Schools has met or exceeded the provincial standard in Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma exams for the past five years.

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<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English
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<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1:24
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<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	12
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<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Student Residences (Dormitory) and Home Stay
<b>Starting Date:</b>	August, February and July
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<b>Extracurricular Activities:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soccer, volleyball, basketball, rugby, football, skiing, snowboarding, hockey, swimming, golf, curling and badminton.</li> <li>• Activities and clubs including yearbook, student council, choir- music, band and guitar, drama, environmental clubs, and leadership groups.</li> <li>• International school trips</li> </ul>
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<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay placement
<b>Starting Date:</b>	Open (September or February recommended)
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<b>Specialized Programming:</b>	Vauxhall Baseball Academy and Warner Girls Hockey School
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	French, German and Spanish
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1:19
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay(Town, farm, ranch options)
<b>Starting Date:</b>	September or February (full year or 1 semester only available)
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June for September start</li> <li>• December for February start</li> </ul>
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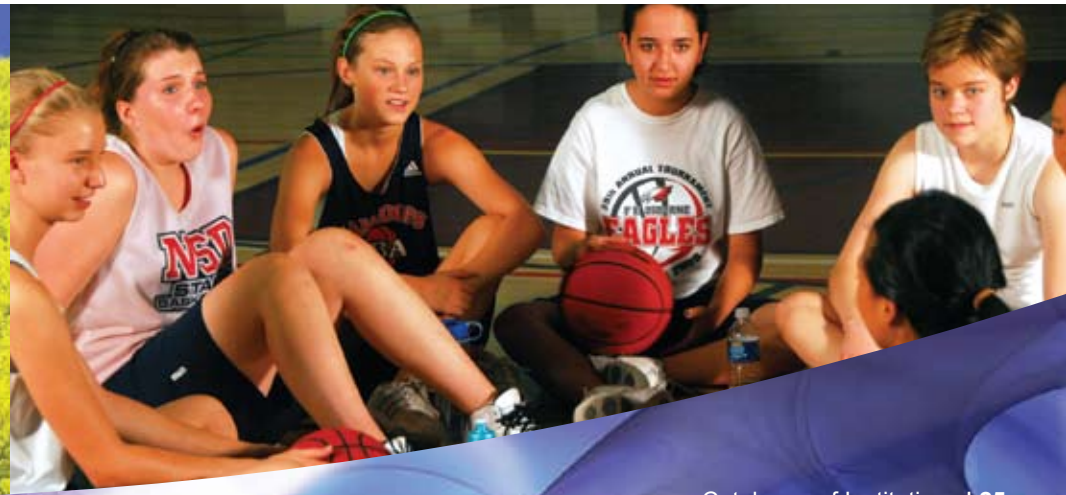


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<b>Number of Elementary Schools:</b>	11
<b>Number of Junior High Schools:</b>	3 Middle Schools
<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	4
<b>Specialized Programming:</b>	One Kindergarten to 8 Christian Alternative School
<b>Extracurricular Activities:</b>	Full range of co-curricular activities, including athletics (golf, volleyball, football, basketball, curling, wrestling, badminton, rugby, soccer, track & field, baseball) fine arts (drama, choral and instrumental music, dance and art) plus student leadership groups
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<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay placements with Canadian families can be arranged
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<b>Extracurricular Activities:</b>	Offers a full compliment of athletics and fine arts
<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English
<b>Languages Taught:</b>	English, French and Spanish
<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1:14 ratio of teachers to students across the division
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay Program
<b>Starting Date:</b>	September
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	Open
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<b>Number of Junior High Schools:</b>	6
<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	3
<b>Specialized Programming:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Program Grades 8-12</li> <li>• French Immersion Program Grades 1-12</li> <li>• French as a Second Language Grades 8-12</li> <li>• Spanish as a Second Language Grades 10-12</li> <li>• Japanese as a Second Language Grade 10</li> <li>• Advanced Placement Program (AP)</li> <li>• Sport Academy High School-Hockey, Golf Fitness For Life, Sport Academy Middle School-Hockey, Sport for Life</li> </ul>
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<b>Languages of Instruction:</b>	English and French
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<b>Ratio of Teaching Staff to Students:</b>	1:25
<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay Program
<b>Starting Date:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High school (semesters) September and February</li> <li>• Middle School-September</li> </ul>
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<b>Number of High Schools:</b>	2
<b>Specialized Programming:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Placement (AP)</li> <li>• International Baccalaureate (IB)</li> <li>• French Immersion</li> <li>• Tech Prep &amp; Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP)</li> </ul>
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<b>Accommodation Options:</b>	Homestay with Canadian host families
<b>Starting Date:</b>	August
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	May and December
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