



HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE PROGRAM IN CANADA

RED DEER PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT PROFILE

Our Vision: A culture of respect, inclusion, caring and excellence, where every student succeeds.

Our Mission: Striving for excellence by inspiring learning and nurturing hope in every student.

Our Mandate: Red Deer Public Schools is responsible for providing the opportunity for our students to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary for become self-reliant, responsible, caring and contributing members of society.

We have a responsibility to provide instructional programs that ensure students have opportunities to meet provincial graduation requirements and become prepared for entry into the workplace or post-secondary studies. Our first obligation is to provide a solid core program consisting of language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. We have a further responsibility to ensure that our students understand the rights and responsibilities of citizenship, and that they have the physical and intellectual skills as well as the creative abilities and disposition, to pursue learning throughout life.

OVERVIEW

Providing the best curriculum, instruction and learning opportunities in order to maximize the potential of all students is a significant responsibility and opportunity. We take great pride in our dedicated and caring staff. Our teachers, administrators and support staff are committed to working with students, parents as well as our community to provide the best educational opportunities for children.

Red Deer Public Schools provided quality education programs and services to over 10,500 students from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 within the City of Red Deer. With 22 schools and many specialized programs, we provide a wide range of supports and services to meet the needs of all students. We take great pride in being recognized for:

- instructional excellence
- support for students
- safe and caring schools
- committed and dedicated staff
- engagement of parents and community
- fiscal responsibility

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

When registering, include student's last report card and other information from the previous school. We also ask that you provide us with emergency contact information as well as any special medical conditions that may affect your child while at school.

AGE REQUIREMENTS: Students must be between 15 and 18 years old to attend high school

SCHOOL FEES: The Board of Trustees, with support from the provincial government, has taken significant steps to eliminate or reduce school fees. Information about school fees is available at your child's school.

While the move will ensure families do not pay fees for regular instructional materials and resources, it is important to note that there will still be some fees charged to students. These include fees for optional activities and purchases such as field trips, swim programs, yearbooks, school wear, extra-curricular activities, etc.

At high school a comprehensive fee for student leadership activities and activity transportation will be charged. Students in option courses will also pay for enhanced projects beyond the regular program.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Student supply lists are posted on school websites. Parents are urged not to buy supplies before receiving the list from teachers.

BUSING: For bus schedules and Charter bus services, or other questions regarding transportation, please visit <http://www.rdpsd.ab.ca/StuTrans.php>.

SCHOOLS PROFILES

HUNTING HILLS HIGH SCHOOL

At Hunting Hills, we are Building our Future Today in everything we do. We provide a tremendous selection of courses and a wide variety of programs to meet the needs and interests of all students. Outstanding opportunities and results have come from our academic programs, including Modern Languages and Advanced Placement programs.

Coupled with Fine Arts, Physical Education and Career and Technology programs, our students have excelled in the rich environment at Hunting Hills. Program initiatives include the Cosmetology Program, Sports Excellence program, Advanced Placement program, Knowledge and Employability program, increased opportunities in Registered Apprenticeship, Dual Certification, extensive Fine Arts course offerings, International Certificate, Leadership, Teacher Advisor programs, and twinning agreements with schools in China, Mexico, and France. We invite input, participation, and communication in our school. We encourage everyone to get involved as we continue to create excellence at Hunting Hills.

GATEWAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

With the foundation of the Bible, we affirm the following distinguishing features of Gateway Christian School with respect to students, curriculum, staff, climate, and community.

Gateway Christian School (GCS) recognizes that each student is wonderfully created by God. GCS, therefore, provides education that allows each student to strive for excellence and development of his or her individual gifts.

Each student at GCS grows spiritually, having opportunities to participate in a devotional life that fosters a meaningful relationship with Jesus Christ, and grows in the understanding that the way of the Bible is the best way to live.

Each student at GCS grows intellectually, being able to demonstrate knowledge of the world around them, knowledge of the Bible and its relevance to life and learning, and the ability to articulate the Christian story.

Each student at GCS grows socially and has a high standard for character and behavior as he or she reflects values consistent with those of the supporting Christian community.

Each student of GCS grows in appreciation of their physical being, showing an appreciation for and a caring of their bodies as being a temple of the Holy Spirit.

Each student of GCS grows emotionally, developing a greater and greater sense of what contributes to emotional health, responsibility and service.

LINDSAY THURBER COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL

The school Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School is committed to educating our students in a safe, inclusive learning environment, which embraces the diversity of our students and ensures the supports are in place to reach their full potential.

Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School is a recently renovated school which offers a wide variety of programs and opportunities for approximately 1800 students in Grades 9 to 12. We offer one of the best selections of courses available in the province in a facility second to none. From French Immersion to Raider Athletics, from International Baccalaureate to Knowledge and Employability, from Advanced Fabrication to Cosmetology, from Fine Arts to Student Leadership - Lindsay Thurber is a truly unique school with a diverse array of courses and programs.

Helping each student to know that they are welcome and that they belong at Lindsay Thurber is important to us. Developing a sense of confidence and competence towards learning is what motivates our classroom practice. Lindsay Thurber is a place where students are heard, honored, and belong.

Involvement in learning and the school community go hand-in-hand with success. The scope of activities that students and staff take part in at Lindsay Thurber is truly amazing. Join a club, play on a team, or join our renowned Student Leadership group – your choices are diverse.

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Dirijam-se ao Partner abaixo mencionado para esclarecer dúvidas e obter informações sobre como se inscrever nos programas de intercâmbio cultural.

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