

Get a Canadian Education! in Niagara Falls, Canada

District School Board of Niagara
International Studies
Elementary & Secondary



Welcome to the District School Board of Niagara!

The District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) is a Kindergarten to Grade 12 publicly funded school district in Ontario, Canada. You are invited to live and study in one of the most scenic parts of the world that is home to the famous Niagara Falls. The Niagara Region is located just over one hour by car or train from Toronto. Our schools offer programs that are internationally renowned for their excellence, are staffed with government-certified, highly dedicated teachers, and have superb facilities.



Benefits

- Access to the Ontario curriculum—one of the highest-quality curriculums in the world
- Immersion in classrooms with a high percentage of students whose first language is English
- Comprehensive support for developing English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL)
- Free transportation to and from school to access our designated ESL programs
- Opportunity to achieve the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), widely recognized for admission to post-secondary institutions in Ontario, across Canada and the U.S.A., and worldwide.
- Calm, safe communities that have good bus transportation and modern medical facilities
- Quick access to the world-class city of Toronto in Canada, and to New York State in the U.S.A., for enhanced cultural experiences

Program Options

- Secondary school study to obtain the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)
- Elementary school study to participate in an academic program for a short or long term
- Elementary or secondary school study to pursue a short-term cultural/language experience

Contact Us

Contact your agent representative for assistance in applying to the DSBN or visit:

dsbn.org/international

or email: international@dsbn.org



Secondary School



Secondary school in Ontario includes Grades 9-12 and student ages are typically 14 –17 years. The program has two semesters per year which run September-January and February-June. Students may start in either September or February. The program leads to high-school graduation with the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

Our secondary schools provide both academic courses (university preparation) and applied courses (vocational college preparation). Of all our secondary schools, the following four (4) additionally provide a high level of ESL support for international students.:



Sir Winston Churchill S.S. in St. Catharines
St. Catharines Collegiate in St. Catharines
Welland Centennial S.S. in Welland
Westlane S.S. in Niagara Falls

sirwinston.dsb.org
collegiate.dsb.org
centennial.dsb.org
westlane.dsb.org

All other secondary schools offer ESL support services on a periodic basis suitable for students whose English language proficiency is already high.

Elementary School



Elementary school in Ontario includes Grades K-8 and student ages are typically 5-13 years. The program runs September–June and is not semestered; therefore, students may start at any time during the school year.

Of all our elementary schools, nine (9) of them offer a high level of daily ESL support for international students. For a list of these ESL-site schools, visit the dsbn.org website and search Schools.

All other elementary schools offer a limited amount of ESL support on a periodic basis and are suitable for students whose English language proficiency is already high.

School Placement

Students will attend the designated school based on their:

- Level of need for ESL support; and
- Homestay address. To find the appropriate school based on the address, use the tool “Find- a- School” found at: dsbn.org/findaschool/

Homestay & Custodianship

The Niagara Region has experienced homestay service providers that offer assistance in finding an appropriate family who will provide safe and comfortable living accommodations. These organizations can also provide custodianship services for minors (students under the age of 18 years). The selection of the homestay service provider is the responsibility of the parents. The following is a sample of providers in the Niagara Region:



cespica.net
hospitalitecanada.com
niagarastudentservices.com

For further information about the DSBN programs and instructions on how to apply, visit:

dsbn.org/international
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