

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE INFORMATION 2018/2019

Dear International Student,

We look forward to welcoming you to the River East Transcona International Education Program!

Please read this letter carefully as it contains important information regarding the days you should arrive and depart from our program.

RETSD 2018/2019 School Year Calendar

Semester 1 - starts Tuesday September 4, 2018 – ends Friday February 1, 2019
Arrival dates - August 30/31, September 1/2/3, 2018
School Opening - Tuesday September 4, 2018

Semester 2 - starts Monday February 4, 2019 – ends Friday June 28, 2019
Arrival dates - February 1/2/3, 2019
School opening - Monday February 4, 2019

Departures

We require that all international students come with a confirmed departure date.

Semester 1 students:

School will end on **Friday, February 1st, 2019**. You should arrange to depart anytime in between your final exam and February 3rd, 2019.

Full year students:

School will end on **Friday June 28, 2019**. You should arrange to depart anytime in between your final exam and July 2nd, 2019.

****Please note**** You will be covered with mandatory medical insurance while studying in our program. This medical coverage as well as (custodianship) documentation is based on the dates listed above. **Early arrivals and/or extended stays will therefore not be accommodated.**



Flight information - September start

It is important we receive flight information by **August 12, 2018**. Please send both your arrival and departure flight information to Ms. Kim Peterson, Homestay Facilitator (kpeterson2@retsd.mb.ca).

International students new to our program can be assured that a member of our International Education Program team, along with (a member of) the Homestay family will be present at the airport to welcome them.

Early Departures

We know that some students must depart before the end of the semester or school year due to school start dates, exams and/or family commitments. We do our best to accommodate these early departure requests. Please submit early departure requests to Ms. Annelies van de Nadort (avandenadort@retsd.mb.ca).

****Please note**** All requests should be received at least 2 months before exams. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that an early departure can be accommodated.

Your first few days in Canada and at school will be busy and possibly a little overwhelming. It is a very exciting time and you will meet many new people as you experience the life of a Canadian student. Remember, we are here to help you with your transition.

We are looking forward to meeting you!

Annelies van de Nadort
Director
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