

**ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE INFORMATION
2017/2018 – Semester 2**

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.

2017/2018 School Year Calendar

Semester 1 - starts Tuesday September 5, 2017 – ends Friday February 2, 2018

Semester 2 - starts Monday February 5, 2018 – ends Friday June 29, 2018

Arrival dates - February 2/3/4, 2018

School opening - Monday February 5, 2018

Departures

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

School will end on June 29, 2018. You should arrange to depart anytime in between your final exam and July 2nd, 2018.

****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

It is important we receive your flight information by **January 10, 2018**. Please send both your arrival and departure flight information to Ms. Kim Peterson, Homestay Facilitator (kpeterson2@retsdb.ca).

International students 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@retsdb.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
River East Transcona School Division