



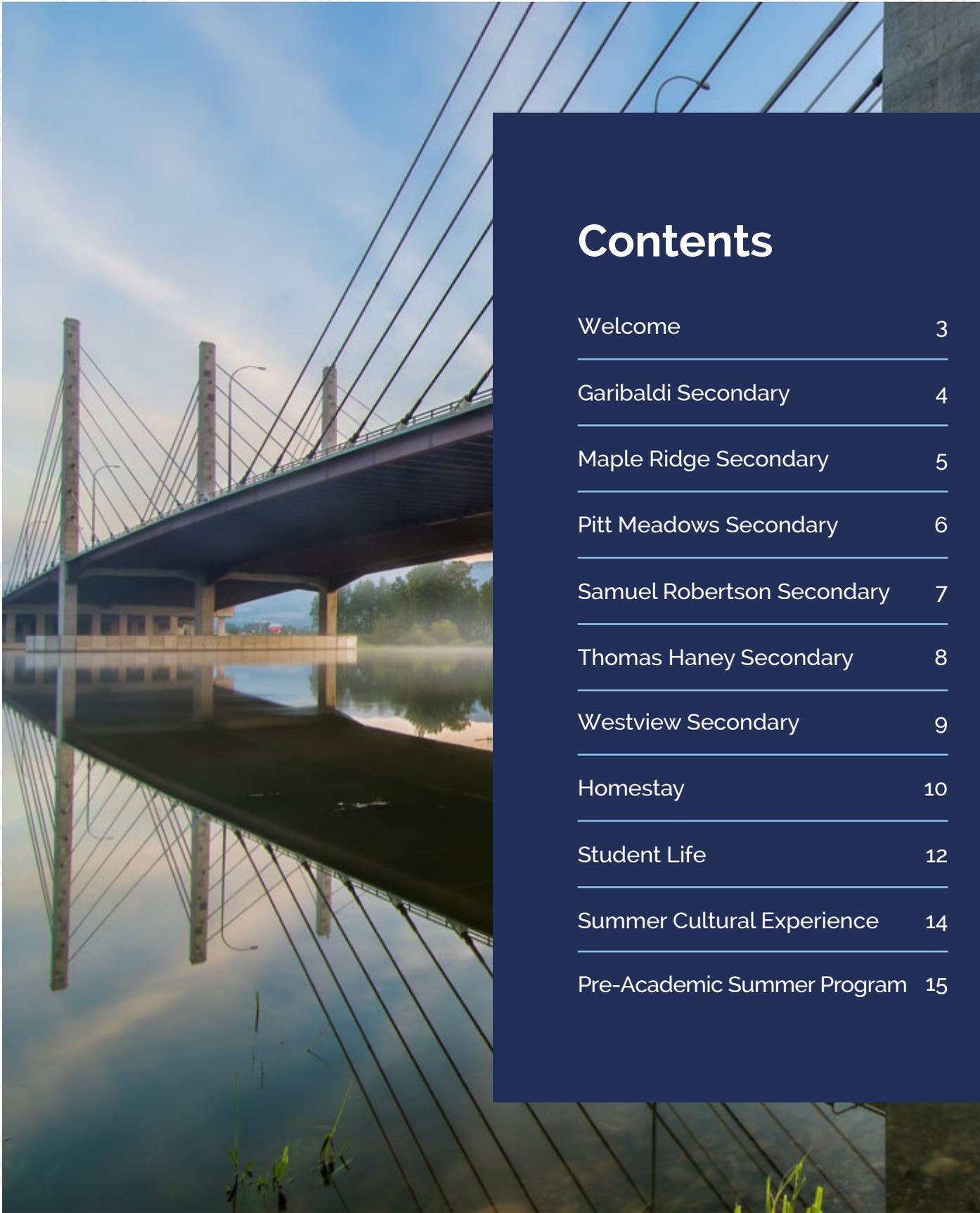
**MAPLE RIDGE
PITT MEADOWS**
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM



Study in Canada.

Immerse yourself in the authentic Canadian experience while learning with us on nature's doorstep, just minutes from Vancouver.

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Welcome

School District 42 serves the cities of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows: safe, family-oriented communities situated just 45 minutes east of Vancouver.

Nestled between the Thompson Mountain Range and the mighty Fraser River, the area has a population of approximately 100,000. There are activities for all interests here, from hiking trails and ski areas, to multi-plex movie theaters, libraries, recreation centres, watersports and outdoor sports fields.

We welcome international students from Elementary through Secondary School age, and fully immerse them in school alongside their Canadian peers. This immersion allows students to not only improve their English language proficiency, but also make new lifelong friends, and experience a Canadian education and the Canadian culture.



Why Choose Us?

High Achievement

Our graduates go on to study at post-secondary institutions such as McGill University, University of Toronto and University of B.C. amongst others.

Academic Options

Our schools offer a wide range of programs from International Baccalaureate, advanced placement, independent studies, sports and arts academies.

Our Schools

6 Secondary Schools offer a wide variety of programs, electives, sports, and clubs. 21 elementary schools welcome students from Kindergarten to grade 7.

Student Support

All schools provide ELL support, and Secondary Schools have an International Liaison teacher who oversees the student's academic progress. Secondary students are offered optional monthly activities that include skiing, hockey games and a Victoria trip.

Our Community

Welcoming, inclusive community nestled at the foot of the Thompson Mountain Range.

Our Homestays

Our experienced families welcome students into their homes as another family member.

"I would like to personally welcome students of all nationalities to study in our schools. Our teachers and staff are committed to educating students to their full potential and our host families are inclusive of international students."

Sylvia Russell

Superintendent of Schools, SD42

Garibaldi Secondary School

Grades: 8-12

gss.sd42.ca

Academics

BC government curriculum, Honours 8, 9 and 10 program

Language Courses

French, Japanese

Fine Arts Elective Courses

Concert Band, Jazz Band, Guitar, Theatre Performance & Production, Film & Television

Applied Skills

Accounting, Economics, Marketing, Metal, Culinary Art, Digital Video Animation, Automotive Technology, Carpentry

Athletics

Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Badminton, Cross Country, Track & Field, Aquatics, Curling, Gymnastics, Wrestling

Clubs

Student Government, Writing Club, Photography Club, Fly Fishing Club, Ping Pong Club, Lunchtime Basketball Club

Special Programs

International Baccalaureate (IB)

- Diploma Programme (DP**)
- Middle Years Programme (MYP)
- International Baccalaureate (IB)

The **Interdisciplinary Arts Academy** (extra fee applies) gives students an opportunity to pursue an education in theatre and explore career opportunities in theatre, dance, voice, film and television.



Maple Ridge Secondary School

Grades: 8-12

mapleridgesecsecondary.ca

Academics

BC government curriculum, advanced placement (AP), French immersion, academically enriched honours classes

Language Courses

French, Japanese, Spanish, German

Fine Arts Elective Courses

Concert Band, Jazz Band, Guitar, Choir, Vocal Jazz, Theatre Performance & Production, Photography, Sculpture & Ceramics, Drawing & Painting, Drama, Studio Arts, Visual Arts

Applied Skills

Metal Arts, Drafting, Professional Cooking, Textiles, Automotive Technology, Accounting, Business Administrative Assistant, Textiles, Economics, Tourism, Woodwork, Engineerings

Athletics

Badminton, Soccer, Field Hockey (g), Volleyball, Basketball, Rugby, Track & Field, Aquatics, Field Lacrosse, Cross Country, Curling, Wrestling

Clubs

Student Council, Debate Club, Environmental Club, Photography Club, Fly Fishing Club, Outdoor Club, Strategic Games Club, Mountain Biking Club

Special Programs

The **Digital Arts Academy** offers seven areas of focus for students interested in developing skills in the use of computers for creating 21st century artwork. Students can earn certificates of completion in 3D Animation, Desktop Publishing, Digital Art, Multimedia, Computer Programming, Sound Engineering, Special Effects for Film, and Web Design.



Pitt Meadows Secondary School



Grades: 8-12

schools.sd42.ca/pmss

Academics

BC government curriculum, Honours Program
Mathematics

Language Courses

French, Spanish

Fine Arts Elective Courses

Choir, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Guitar, Theatre
Production & Performance, Animé, Drawing &
Painting, Digital Media, Digital Animation, Film &
Television, Photography, Ceramics & Sculpture,
Textiles

Applied Skills

Automotive Technology, Carpentry, Metal Work,
Accounting, Entrepreneurship, Marketing, Cook
Training, Power Mechanics, Sewing

Athletics

Soccer, Cross Country, Volleyball, Ball Hockey,
Basketball, Golf, Track & Field

Clubs

Book Club, Debate Club, Environmental Club,
Strategic Games Club, Fly Fishing Club, Mountain
Biking Club, Outdoor Club, Photography Club

Special Programs

The **Hockey Academy** (extra fee applies) is a specialized program for students in grades 8 to 12 that allows them to balance their educational requirements with the development of their hockey skills. Hockey Academy students earn credit for Physical Education and/or Advanced Hockey.

Students are tested both on and off the ice to monitor individual improvement. They also receive video analysis, fitness assessments, one-on-one reviews and player profile reports.

The **Microsoft IT Academy** (ITA) program provides students with industry-leading technology skills to help bridge the skills gap. Students receive a digital curriculum and multi-level Microsoft certifications, ranging from Specialist to Expert to Master.

Samuel Robertson Secondary School

Grades: 8-12

schools.sd42.ca/srt

Academics

BC government curriculum, academically enriched junior honours classes, independent directed studies (IDS)

Language Courses

French, Spanish

Fine Arts Elective Courses

School of Rock, Guitar, Music Technology, Theatre Performance & Production, Digital Media, Programming & Animation, Drama, Art Studio, Graphic Arts, Photography

Applied Skills

Carpentry, Drafting & Engineering, Metal Work, Culinary Arts, Cafeteria Training, Marketing, Digital Media, Woodwork

Athletics

Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Field Hockey, Field Lacrosse

Clubs

Book Club, Robotics, Games Club, Ski & Snowboard Club, Social Justice / Me to We



Special Programs

The **Hockey Academy** (extra fee applies) is a specialized program for students in grades 8 to 12 that allows them to balance their educational requirements with the development of their hockey skills. Hockey Academy students earn credit for Physical Education and/or Advanced Hockey.

Students are tested both on and off the ice to monitor individual improvement. They also receive video analysis, fitness assessments, one-on-one reviews and player profile reports.

The **Microsoft IT Academy** (ITA) program provides students with industry-leading technology skills to help bridge the skills gap. Students receive a digital curriculum and multi-level Microsoft certifications, ranging from Specialist to Expert to Master.

Thomas Haney Secondary School



Grades: 8-12

schools.sd42.ca/thss

Academics

BC government curriculum
Self-directed learning (SDL)

Language Courses

French, Japanese, Spanish

Fine Arts Elective Courses

Concert Band, Choir, Vocal Jazz, Theatre Performance & Production, Sculpture & Ceramics, Drawing & Painting, Film Studies

Applied Skills

3D Modelling, Video Game Design, Metal Work, Professional Cooking, Textiles, Automotive Technology, Industrial Design, Accounting, Entrepreneurship, Management Innovation, Robotics, Woodwork, Photography, Art Metal

Athletics

Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Track & Field, Badminton, Field Hockey, Cross Country

Clubs

E Sports Club (video games), Random Acts of Kindness Club, Student Council, Student Leadership, Eco Action Club, Fitness Club, Fly Fishing Club, P.E. Lead Club

Special Programs

The **Microsoft IT Academy (ITA)** program provides students with industry-leading technology skills. Students receive a digital curriculum and multi-level Microsoft and Adobe certifications, ranging from Specialist to Expert to Master.

Westview Secondary School

Grades: 8-12

schools.sd42.ca/westview

Academics

BC government curriculum

Language Courses

French, Spanish

Fine Arts Elective Courses

Choir, Band, Jazz Band, Theatre Production & Performance, Drawing & Painting, Ceramics & Sculpture, Art Foundations, Photography

Applied Skills

Accounting, Marketing, Textiles, Family Studies, Art, Metal & Jewellery Design, Industrial Design, Robotics & Industrial Design, Creative Wood Design, Power Mechanics & Technology, Carpentry & Joinery, Automotive Technology, Fashion Design & Merchandising, Film Editing & Special Effects, Video Game Design

Athletics

Soccer, Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball, Track & Field, Rugby, Golf, Wrestling, Field Hockey (g), Badminton

Clubs

Book Club, Ski & Snowboard Club, Christian Club, Games Club, Fitness Club, Fly Fishing Club

Special Programs

The **Soccer Academy** (extra fee applies) offers unique soccer-specific courses at Grade 8 to 12 levels. In-class learning includes instruction in fitness, nutrition, strength training, sport philosophy, goal setting, time management, leadership skills, coaching philosophies, and laws of the game. On the field, students focus on individual skill development and game principals.

The **Microsoft IT Academy** (ITA) program provides students with industry-leading technology skills to help bridge the skills gap. Students receive a digital curriculum and multi-level Microsoft certifications, ranging from Specialist to Expert to Master.

The **Basketball Academy** (extra fee applies) offers students in grades 8 to 12 instruction in coaching, officiating, first aid, and sports training, including the opportunity to receive certification through the National Coaching Certification Program. On court sessions focus on physical literacy and fundamental movement skills, athletic skills guided by Canada Basketball's Long-Term Athlete Development model, and basketball specific skills. Basketball instruction is augmented with classroom theory sessions, strength and conditioning classes, and guest speakers.



Homestay

Our homestay department and host families are an important part of our program, hosting students for more than 20 years. International students choosing our school district's homestay program will feel welcome, safe and secure.

Our homestay staff carefully interview each family and visit their home to ensure that they meet our strict standards. Host families receive regular training from our experienced and multicultural homestay coordinators who are dedicated to supporting our students.

We place students with caring and engaging Canadian families. Living with a host family allows students to focus on their studies, develop their English proficiency and adjust to Canadian culture. Our host families reflect the multicultural diversity of Canadian society and provide students with a valuable experience living in a diverse setting.





Student Life

International students are encouraged to get involved in school life by participating in school activities.

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows secondary schools offer clubs, activities and sports, ranging from art, band, choir and guitar to soccer, basketball, robotics and theatre. There is something for everyone at all of our schools.

Each school year, students enrolled in the Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows International Program have the choice to enroll in tour activities such as visiting Victoria, the Rocky Mountains, and Whistler Mountain. These trips are supervised by trained school district staff to ensure the students have memorable and safe experiences.

Becoming involved helps students to make connections with Canadian students and create memories that will last a lifetime





Summer Cultural Experience

Our Summer Cultural Program is for international students aged 13 - 18 who want to practice their English speaking and experience the best of Canadian culture during their summer holidays.

Classes are designed to improve English through group activities, lessons on Canadian culture and local activities. Students will also be able to participate in fun local excursions, while living with a Canadian host family and experiencing the Canadian culture and our West Coast outdoor lifestyle.

Sample Schedule

Mon - Thurs: AM class / PM excursion

Fri: Full day excursion

Sat - Sun: Time with host family



Pre-Academic Summer Program

Our Pre-Academic Summer Program is designed to prepare students for their long term studies in Canada while experiencing the best of Canadian culture.

Students will be oriented to different aspects of Canadian culture and also focus on enhancing English ability.

- Learn about Canadian history, culture and your local community
- Develop skills such as critical thinking, public speaking, writing, vocabulary and group discussion
- Participate in fun local excursions with a focus on Canadian culture
- Live with a Canadian host family

Sample Schedule

Mon - Fri: AM class / PM excursion

Sat - Sun: Time with host family

* Program typically starts 2nd week of August. Contact us for specific start dates. Schedule may be adjusted to accommodate venue availability and group size.

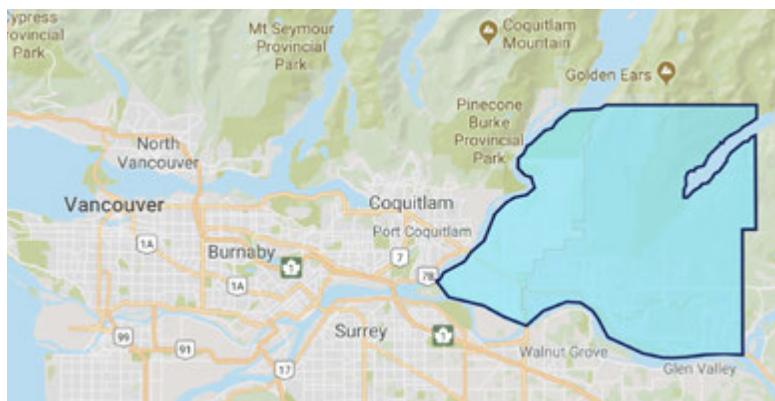




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